

# **Community Led Housing and Community Land Trusts**

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National and local case studies

Q & A

## **Mathew Taylor Review – Living , Working Countryside**

*“If we fail to build the affordable homes to enable the people who work in the countryside to live there we risk turning our villages into gated communities of wealthy commuters and the retired.”*

# What is Community Led Housing?

- 1 – Community integrally involved throughout the process.
- 2 - Presumption in favour of a long-term role for the community
- 3 – Benefits to the community are defined and protected in perpetuity.



## What is Community Led Housing;

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*“Community-led housing (CLH) involves local people playing a leading and lasting role in solving housing problems, creating genuinely affordable homes and strong communities”*

- Community Land Trusts (CLT)
- Co – Housing
- Co-operatives
- Community Self - Build



# Approaches to CLH

Cohousing

**Community Land Trusts**

Cooperatives

Self/custom build

Self-help

Community Land Trusts (CLTs) enable ordinary people to develop and manage homes as well as other assets important to that community, like community enterprises, food growing or workspaces. The CLT's main task is to make sure these homes are genuinely affordable, based on what people actually earn in their area, not just for now but for every future occupier.

## Growth in CLTs

2010



2014



2019



## CLT - Key defining features

- Community owned and controlled
- Open and democratic structure
- Permanently affordable homes or other assets
- Not for profit
- Long term stewardship



# Lyvennet Community Trust Crosby Ravensworth



**10 rented homes 2 shared ownership  
7 self build plots**

# Lyvennet Community Trust



**Pub bought & renovated with  
community share issue**

## Keswick CLT

- ✓ 5 homes for rent @ £500 per month for a 3 bed house
- ✓ 5 shared ownership homes @ 50% of £265K
- ✓ 1 outright sale –with local occupancy restriction
- ✓ Some grant funding (HCA) and Community shares
- ✓ Professional team employed by the CLT; Architect, Quantity Surveyor & Housing Association





“Buying from the CLT was the only form of ownership we could afford. The size, quality and affordability has completely changed our lives for the better.”

Gary and Lucie Wilson, Keswick

**Now provided 22 more homes  
plus town center conversion to 4 flats**



**Lay people now experts**



## Sussex community led housing examples

- Aldingbourne
- Alfriston
- Angmering
- Bexhill
- Chiddingfold
- East Hoathly
- Eastbourne
- Ford
- Hastings
- Herstmonceux
- Icklesham
- Lewes
- Pulborough
- Ringmer
- Rogate
- Slaugham
- Slindon









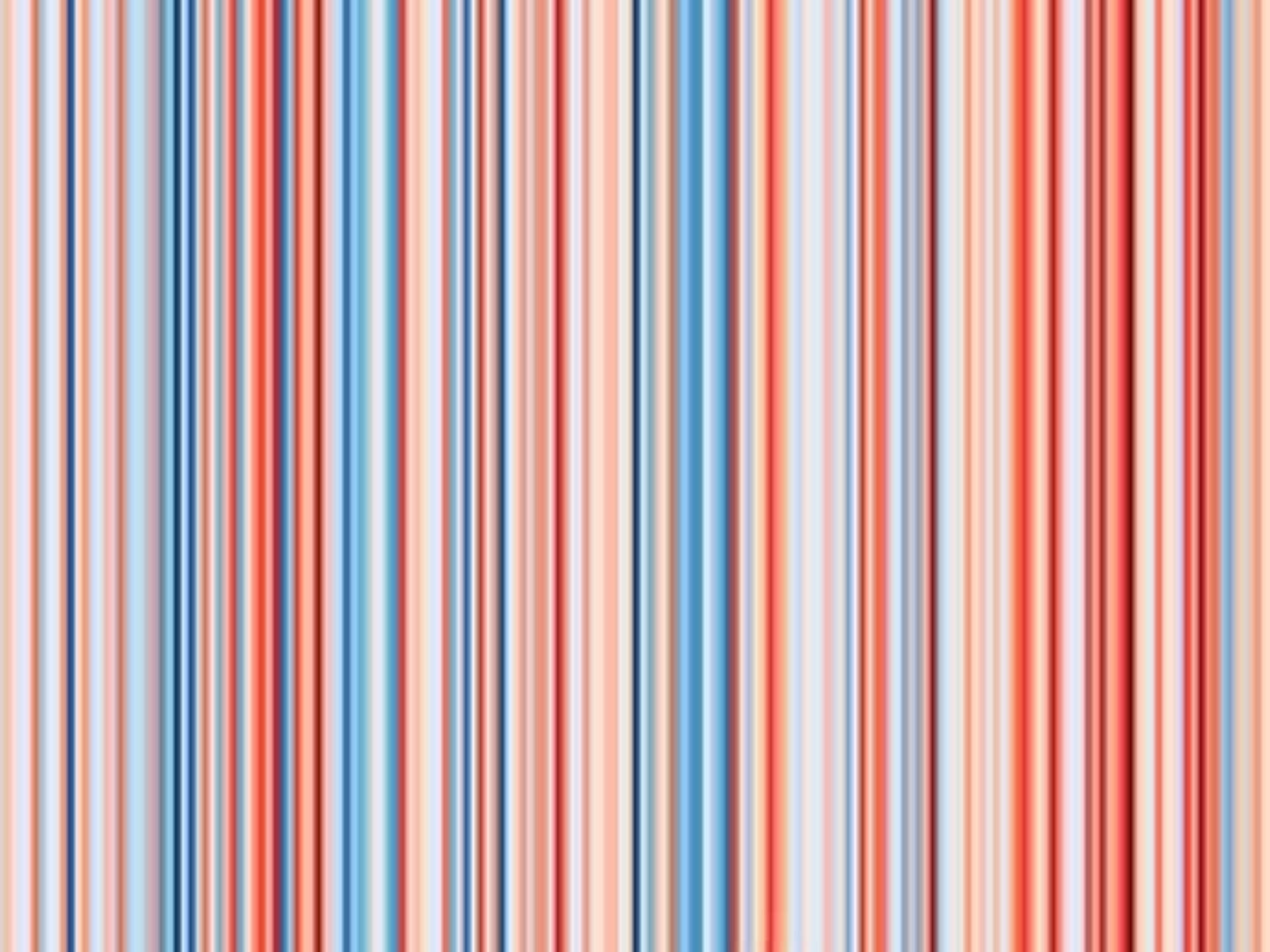
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## Why Community Led Housing? - added value

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- Local control - allocations assured - permanence
- Creating community support
- Locally affordable
- Income generating & re-investment
- Delivering actions from neighbourhood plans
- Versatility, Sustainability & Innovation (MMC)
- Closer community & landowner involvement
- Enabling the long term stewardship of community assets



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## Community Land Trusts

Angmering CLT



## The Hub

*Enabling Sussex communities to develop truly affordable homes*

- A 'one stop shop' for community led housing
  - Community Land Trusts (CLTs)
  - Co-Housing
  - Co-operative Housing
  - Self-Build
- Solutions to meet local housing need – maximising community benefit
- Expertise, skills and experience – everything to help delivery
- A long track record of successfully delivering community led projects
- Independent technical advice, support and information
- Extensive networks locally and nationally – informing best practice

### Latest Tweets



Tweets by [@RuralSussex](#)



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Do you run or wish to start a #business in

### Upcoming events



**Sussex Community Housing Hub Launch Event**  
Thursday 30th November – East Sussex: Herstmonceux  
Village Hall, from 2pm-5pm.  
[Read more >](#)

**Sussex Community Housing Hub Launch Event**  
Tuesday 5th December – West Sussex: The Staying

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