

Programme

Strategic Housing Month: Delivering more homes through partnership working Monday 19 April 2021

The government has given local authorities an opportunity to step up their housebuilding activities by making funding available to them through the £12 billion Affordable Homes programme.

The Homes England scheme will allow councils and council-led strategic partnerships to bid for a grant of up to £150 million. But joint ventures and strategic partnerships are relationships built on trust and local authorities need to get a handle on new delivery vehicles and increasingly complex business models. This session will provide an overview of the current housebuilding landscape and help councils and their partners understand the various routes of delivery available to them.

10:30 Welcome from Chair
Emma Lindley, Housing Strategy Lead Officer, Ashfield District Council and HQN associate

10:45 Making strategic partnerships work for future housebuilding requirements
Paul Smith, CEO, Elim Housing Association and former cabinet member for housing, Bristol City Council

11:15 Break

11:30 Delivering more homes through partnership working – the Housing Essex approach
Alastair Pollock, Strategy Co-ordinator, Essex Developers Group and South Essex Housing Group

11:45 The Aspect Partnership – a joint approach to affordable housing delivery
Mike Shepherd, Director of New Business and Development, VIVID

12:15 Final Q&A and closing remarks
Emma Lindley, Housing Strategy Lead Officer, Ashfield District Council and HQN associate