



Homes for Hooky

Hook Norton Community Land Trust

Welcome to our November Newsletter

Website News

We are delighted to announce that the new HNCLT website is now live and can be found here: www.hooknortonclt.org.uk

Please take a look. This is where you can find up to date information about the project in one place, including the design plans, the community consultation and details of how to contact us and register interest in the project.



Funding Progress

We received a resolution for planning permission for 12 homes and the communal building in May 2020 from Cherwell District Council Planning Committee. We have since been exploring a labyrinth of funding possibilities for the project which are progressing cautiously but positively. Several building societies and banks are actively supporting and promoting ecological building practices by lending to sustainable communities and community – led housing projects. They have introduced a sustainable lending fund for projects that create a positive and social impact in their community.

As funding arrangements become more developed one of the next likely steps will be to start preparations for a possible community share offer. Investing in community shares is a direct and engaging way of supporting a project that serves the local community.

Become Involved

Once the funding route is secured membership of HNCLT will be open to anyone that lives or works in the local community and you will be able to become a member by purchasing a £1 share and help to shape the future of the project.

We know that many people in the community are interested in the project who are not in need of a home but would like to become involved. You can become a volunteer in lots of ways, including:

- Investing in the project
- Helping to self finish the communal building
- Helping to cultivate the landscape and growing areas
- Helping out in the community café

If you would like to be involved in any of these areas of the project or have any other suggestions, please register your interest on the website, we would love to hear from you.

[Register your Interest](#)



Interested in living in one of the homes?

The allocations policy is nearly complete and once finally approved by Cherwell District Council and HNCLT it will be available to view on the website along with the details of the Local Connection criteria. We will then open a formal register of those wishing to apply to live in the homes, which will be advertised widely on the HNCLT website and across our and the village social media channels. Ahead of that, if you are interested in living in one of the affordable homes available to rent then we strongly advise that you join the CDC housing Register as soon as possible:

[Register with CDC](#)

The affordable homes available for rent will be allocated to applicants in housing need who also meet the local connection criteria to Hook Norton. The allocation process will most likely be carried out by HNCLT in partnership with CDC and length of time on the CDC Housing Register may play an important part of the process. Please let us know [here](#) if you have any difficulty with registering.



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