



Homes for Hooky

Hook Norton Community Land Trust

Welcome to our May 2023 Newsletter

We're so excited that work is underway on the community led Homes for Hooky project, provisionally titled, Bourne Green in Hook Norton! The ground has been levelled and prepared and the piling works have now been completed.



We are looking forward to the next steps which are :

- Construction of South Block foundations
- Construction of the car park and access road
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Hold the Date

We are holding a celebratory event on the site at Bourne Green, to mark the journey of Homes for Hooky, from the planning stage to construction on site. The date is set for the morning of Saturday 8 July. We hope you'll be able to join us and more details will follow soon.

What type of homes are we building?

HNCLT are building eight homes for affordable rent and four homes which will be available for market sale with the possibility one will be for private rent. The eight homes on the north terrace consist of two-bedroom flats, and the south terrace is made up of 2 one-bedroom houses and 2 x three-bedroom houses. We anticipate that the homes will be completed in Spring 2024.



Would you like to live in one of the homes?

If you, or anyone you know, would like to live in one of the 8 affordable homes available to rent, it is important that you join the Cherwell District Housing register, as soon as possible. The homes will be allocated to people in housing need who have a local connection to the parish of Hook Norton, as set out in the Neighbourhood Plan. We will be holding events in Hook Norton to raise awareness of the allocations policy and how to register for the homes.

[Cherwell District Council](#)

[Housing Register.](#)

Construction

We're delighted to be working with award winning company, [Greencore Construction](#). Greencore Construction, who are building the homes using a thermally insulated wooden framed, hemp-lime panel system, at their workshop in Bicester. We visited the workshop recently and it was fantastic to see that most of the panels are completed and awaiting assembly on site.



Community Share Offer

We are well on our way to launch a community share offer to help with the funding of the project in the early Autumn. We will be sharing details as soon as these have been through the financial approval process. Community shares are a great way to support local community enterprises, providing them with the long-term finance they need to develop and grow. There's more information about Community Shares on the [Co-operatives UK Community Shares](#) page.

Thanks

We are very grateful to the neighbours and members of the community living near the site for their patience during the build. We would like to thank the Hook Norton Sports & Social Club for allowing temporary access to the site via their car parking area.

If you would like to discuss anything with the site manager, Becks Hyseni, he can be found in the site office or contacted on 07960 538 421.

Why not become a member of HNCLT?

It costs just £1

Membership is simple and affordable and open to anyone over the age of 18 who lives or works in the local and wider community and who supports the aims and ethos of HNCLT. If you would like to join, the membership form can be found on our website:

If you would like to become a member, or just keep up with the project as a volunteer or potential investor, the following two links will take you where you need to go.

[HNCLT Membership Form](#)

[Register Your Interest](#)

Please take a look at the website for more information about membership and our policies.

www.hooknortonclt.org.uk