



BGP CLT News



Note from the Chair - *David Leader*

This has been such a difficult year for us all, and the way our communities have rallied to support everyone has been inspirational. I feel immensely privileged to be part of this wonderful community.

I am delighted to inform you that the CLT's project to build 15 affordable homes, available for local people only, has now achieved full planning permission. We can now, along with our development partner Yarlinton Housing Group, select a contractor for the build out through a competitive tendering process. Some outstanding local companies have expressed interest. Most important of all, we will provide 15 homes for local families, enabling them to remain living within our community. Construction is scheduled to start in autumn this year. We will keep everyone informed and updated on progress using the excellent communication networks in Drimpton and the wider community. The Lyme Regis CLT development at Timber Hill is a good example of what we hope to achieve – anyone interested is invited to take a look.

The interest in this project shown by our local community has been inspiring. Although the design and planning process has taken longer than it should have done, it has provided the opportunity to revise and refine the design. On behalf of BGP CLT, I would like to thank all who attended the public meetings and contributed to the consultation processes. Many of the suggestions emanating from this have been incorporated into the final plans, and the Board is convinced that the design and layout will create an aesthetically pleasing development, built to a high standard using green technologies to reduce the carbon footprint and significantly reduce running costs in individual homes. A major consideration has been the landscaping of the site. The design includes the planting of a significant number of trees, native shrubs and hedges, to blend into the beautiful environment. We are delighted that we can incorporate the magnificent Oak on the edge of the site within our design.

Although we still have much work to do on this project over the next couple of years, we are already considering future projects, not necessarily housing. If anyone has any project suggestions for community benefit within Broadwindsor Group Parish area we would like to hear from you. If you are interested in becoming a member of Community Land Trust we would also be delighted to hear from you. Please contact Sheila Hawkins 11esgh528@gmail.com. As always any of the CLT Board members will be delighted to answer any questions, or please do contact me at westhillhousecottages@gmail.com or on 07867 608652.

The BGP CLT Board is very grateful for all the support and advice received throughout this long process from Wessex CLT Projects.

BGP CLT Board Changes

At our recent AGM, Members noted the retirement of Emma Costin from the Board, and elected Brian Hesketh and Mat Costin as a new Board members. Ken Banks also was elected for a further term on the Board. Other Board members are David Leader (Chair), Jacqui Sewell (Treasurer), Sheila Hawkins (Secretary), Steve Chubb, and Lesley Tibballs.

For more information please visit our website: <http://broadwindsorgroupparishclt.org>

A Project to Celebrate and Record

The Broadwindsor Group Parish CLT's project to develop 15 affordable homes for rent in Netherhay Lane, Drimpton is something worth celebrating and recording, to integrate the project into the village of Drimpton and Broadwindsor Parish.

We plan to record all aspects of the site as it develops, on camera, in drawings, paintings, collage, needlework and other forms of art work; in song and music; by looking at the recycling of surplus construction materials; by examining the ecology and history of the land, and in any other way suggested by members of the community. We are looking for more people to join our group of volunteers to contribute to this project, for which we are seeking grant funding from a number of sources. If you are interested please contact me at tibballs55@outlook.com.

Yarlington Housing Group (now part of Abri) is the CLT's Housing Association development partner who will manage the construction and management of the homes once completed. They have agreed to record the construction phase daily, using time lapse photography. We would welcome more local photographers to record 'happenings' around the site and the village. This project provides a wonderful opportunity for younger members of our community to come up with ideas based, perhaps, on the recycling of surplus building materials or examining how the improved ecology of the area can be managed for climate change. Music is being written to reflect the changes in that area of Netherhay Lane, and a local artist and writer are poised to record the construction. We also plan to have our own Drimpton Song, adapted from Peter Ashton's music for Archie Dobson's War, to reflect the project and welcome new people to the village.

Lesley Tibballs

Dorset Home Choice Housing Register

To be eligible for the affordable homes proposed by Broadwindsor Group Paris CLT you must apply to join the Dorset Home Choice Housing Register. You can do this using the online application form at: www.dorsethomechoice.org



Yarlington Housing Group and Radian have finalised their partnership to become one of the largest housing associations in the south of England

Abri means 'shelter', and providing shelter is the organisation's purpose. So it is not just a word but a driver for achieving great things for as many people as possible