

Welcoming 1,500 delegates - you can expect to walk away with ideas and inspiration for now and into the future.

DAY 1: TUESDAY 27 JUNE

Key ■ Keynote ■ Masterclasses ■ Housing management ■ Business connect bitesize

10:00 – 10:30 – Keynote

CEO Welcome Address

Terrie Alafat will be opening the conference with her keynote address.
Terrie Alafat CBE, Chief executive, CIH

10:30 – 11:00 – Keynote

Housing is changing: How are we responding?

Savills and Social Housing are embarking on a major piece of research to establish how housing is changing and how, as a sector, we are responding. The aim of this research is to provide in-depth analysis in the run up to the general election.

Lucian Cook, Head of residential research, Savills
Robert Grundy, Head of housing, Savills

11:30 – 12:30 – Keynote

Making sense of the political landscape

Since Housing 2016 we have had a new government, a new American president and have started Brexit negotiations. Our three leading political experts will provide up to date analysis of the current and future landscape. Expect lively debate, unrivalled insight and predictions.

Andrew Rawnsley, Chief political commentator, the Observer
Gaby Hinsliff, Columnist, the Guardian
Tim Shipman, Political editor, The Sunday Times

11:30 – 12:30 – Housing Management

Digitalisation - gearing up for the future

Practical and interactive session which explores how housing providers can achieve efficiencies and improve service delivery via mobile technology.

Nick Atkin, Chief executive, Halton Housing
Joanne Tilley, Executive director, EMH
 Chair: **Debbie Larnar**, Head of practice, CIH

12:30 – 13:30 – Keynote

Does money make the world go round?

How have recent domestic and global political events affected the macroeconomic environment? What does it mean for the UK housing market, the bond market and what does the future hold? Our two leading economists will provide delegates with all the latest analysis on the state of the economy and will speculate how this may impact upon your business.

Paul Johnson, Director, IFS
Kitty Ussher, Managing director, Tooley Street Research
 Chair: **Gaby Hinsliff**, Columnist, the Guardian

12:30 – 13:30 – Housing Management

Lessons from the full roll out of Universal Credit

Practical session on the key learning points from the full roll out of Universal Credit.

Sarah Seeger, Head of customer accounts, Curo
David Rafferty, Performance leader, Home Group
 Chair: **Sam Lister**, Policy and practice officer, CIH

14:30 – 15:00 – Keynote

The impact of welfare reform on housing

The roll out of Universal Credit and other welfare reforms have had an impact on the sector, both in terms of income collection, but also in their role as providers of other services. This session will provide an update of the latest thinking around welfare reform and will look at what other policy changes could be down the road.

Caroline Nokes MP, Minister for welfare delivery, DWP
 Chair: **Gaby Hinsliff**, Columnist, the Guardian

14:30 – 15:30 – Masterclass

Homelessness - an international challenge

Homelessness is a global issue that society must grapple with. This session will bring together international perspectives on how other countries are tackling this important issue. Delegates will leave this session with practical take home messages which can be implemented back in their organisation.

Juha Kaakinen, Chief executive, Y-Foundation
David Ireland, Director, BSHF
Kim O'Brien, Executive director, Horizon Housing Society
 Chair: **Neil Hadden**, Chief executive, Genesis

14:30: 15:30 – Housing Management

Fixed term tenancies - looking back and thinking forward

This session will look at the lessons learnt since the introduction of FTT in 2010 and looks at the challenges around forthcoming implementation for local authorities.

Barbara Houghton, Corporate strategy manager, Riverside
Sue Powell, Head of service improvement, Riverside
 Chair: **Debbie Larnar**, Head of practice, CIH

16:00 – 17:00 – Masterclass

To merge or not to merge?

With recent mergers in the sector, it may be perceived that this is the only way to deliver more homes and reduce costs. This session will bring together three different viewpoints and experiences to debate and discuss whether mergers are the only answer.

Ann Santry, Chief executive, Sovereign
Bronwen Rapley, Chief executive, Symphony
Richard Peacock, Chief executive, Soha
 Chair: **Greg Campbell**, Partner, Campbell Tickell

16:00 – 17:00 – Business Connect Bitesize

Embedding social innovation

The sector by its very nature is a socially focused one, and this session on cultivating and embedding social innovation will not be one to be missed. This forms part of our Business Connect Bitesize programme and is part of our innovation and disruption series of talks.

Sam Conniff, Co-founder, Livity
 Chair: **Ian Wright**, Deputy chief executive, HouseMark

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 28 JUNE

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09:30 – 10:30 – Business Connect Bitesize

Balancing commerciality and social purpose

Balancing commerciality and social purpose is one of the issues that the sector is currently facing. As part of our Business Connect Bitesize programme, this session will provide some much needed out-of-sector insight on the best approaches to achieve this. Specific topics that will be covered include: leadership, cultural change and going from good to great.

Baroness Sue Campbell CBE, Chair, Youth Sport Trust

Andy Milligan, Founding partner, This is Caffeine

Chair: **Jo Causon**, Chief executive, Institute of Customer Service

11:00 – 12:00 – Keynote

Creating a shared vision for health, housing and social care

This session will explore how the three sectors can work together to design and deliver better services, which promote positive health outcomes.

Brendan Sarsfield, Chief executive, Family Mosaic

Andrew van Doorn, Chief executive, HACT and non-executive

director, London North West Healthcare NHS Trust

Chair: **Gaby Hinsliff**, Columnist, The Guardian

11:00 – 12:00 – Masterclass

What do the business models of the future look like?

Is bigger better? Are complex group structures needed in this new environment? Are there more room for innovation? By attending this session delegates will get expert insight into different business models and will be able to debate what new business models will look like in the future.

David Done, Chief executive, RHP

David Cowans, Chief executive, Places for People

John Clephan, Director, Sheffield Housing Company

Geeta Nanda, Chief executive, TVHA

Chair: **Helen Collins**, Head of housing consultancy, Savills

11:00 – 12:00 – Housing Management

Delivering an excellent approach to shared ownership

Practical sessions looking at the key ingredients for a seamless and effective shared ownership service – from sale to management.

Suzanne Burrows, Partner, Trowers and Hamlins

Helen Reddington, Head of Helena Living

Ashley Parette, Leasehold manager, Southern Housing Group

Mel Toomey, Vice-chair, NHG

Chair: **Sarah Davis**, Senior policy and practice officer, CIH

12:00 – 13:00 – Masterclass

How can local authorities meet the social care challenge and how does housing fit into this?

How do we solve the current social care crisis? And what role does housing have? Our panel of experts from across the sector are going to try and answer these questions and shed some light on how cross sector working can alleviate the pressure on services and deliver positive outcomes.

Kevin Beirne, Group director of housing care and support, One Housing Group

Alan Caddick, Head of housing services, Sunderland City Council

Ruth Cooke, Chief executive, Midland Heart

Chair: **Domini Gunn**, Director, health and wellbeing, CIH

12:00 – 13:00 – Housing Management

All change for allocations

Practical and interactive session exploring who and how we allocate our homes to – what's the best method – and what are the challenges?

Adrienne Reid, Assistant chief executive – neighbourhoods, Incommunities

Carole Commosioug, Voids and tenancy support manager, Central Bedfordshire Council

Chair: **Melanie Rees**, Head of policy, CIH

14:00 – 15:00 – Keynote

In conversation with HCA

As the HCA has a new beefed-up role in driving housing supply, this session will see their new chief executive discuss the new role of the organisation. Delegates can expect to leave this session with a deeper understanding of the new role of the HCA.

Nick Walkley, Chief executive, HCA

Chair: **Gaby Hinsliff**, Columnist, The Guardian

14:00 – 15:00 – Masterclass

Customer insight and profiling

This session is going to look at how the sector and other sectors capture and use data to design and deliver services. Bringing together leading experts delegates will gain a deeper understanding into how the sector can be use data for the benefit of their business and ultimately customers.

Julian Pimm-Smith, Director of data and information services, Bupa

Richard Walker, Associate director, public sector advisory, KPMG

14:00 – 15:00 – Housing Management

Homelessness prevention

The practical and interactive session will focus positive approaches to prevention and looking forward to the implementation of the Homeless Reduction Bill.

Chris Hancock, Head of Housing, Crisis

Lindsay Megson, Local area practitioner, NPSS

Mike Wright, Strategic lead, homelessness,

Manchester City Council

Chair: **Faye Greaves**, Policy and practice officer, CIH

28 June, 15:30 – 16:30 – Masterclass

Deregulation - opportunities and risks

The measures set out in the 2016 Housing and Planning Act have paved the way for deregulation. The removal of the regulator's powers over disposals, restructures and mergers will present the sector with opportunities, but where there is opportunity there is risk. Our panel will be exploring what these look like and will offer practical insight into how to embrace deregulation, while ensuring that you don't fall into trouble.

Fiona MacGregor, Executive director, regulation, HCA

Ashley Hook, Chief executive, MHS

Matthew Bailes, Chief executive, Paradigm

Chair: **Gavin Smart**, Deputy chief executive, CIH

DAY 3: THURSDAY 29 JUNE

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09:00 – 10:00 – Keynote

Meeting the equality and diversity challenge

Two years on from Steve Strides' presidential commission into equality and diversity in the sector, this session is going to look the progress the sector has made in making it more equal and diverse, in gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation and in building cohesive communities.

Joe Joseph, Director, neighbourhoods, Peabody
Linda Woodward, Assistant director, corporate services, YCH
Bob Green, Chief executive, Stonewall
 Chair: **Lisa Taylor**, Chief executive, Future of London

09:00 – 10:00 – Masterclass

What's not to like about tenant engagement?

This session is going to explore different approaches to improving and embedding real tenant engagement and involvement across the sector. By attending this session delegates will gain a deeper insight into the latest initiatives, practices and thinking around this important issue. We are also pleased to have the UKHA 2017 winner of the Outstanding Approach to Tenant Involvement on the panel.

Jenny Osbourne, Chief executive, TPAS
Kate Dodsworth, Executive director, people and strategy, Amicus Horizon
John Wade, Director of strategy, Bromford
Jim Ripley, Chief executive, Phoenix Community Housing
 Chair: **Alison Inman**, Vice-president, CIH

09:00 – 10:00 – Housing Management

Neighbourhood working

What are the ingredients for successful neighbourhoods – what works and what doesn't?

Hear about our new neighbourhoods charter and how to implement it in practice in the areas in which you work.

Richard Medley, Director, CIH Consultancy
Dave Smethurst, Associate, CIH Consultancy

10:00 – 11:00 – Business Connect Bitesize

Leadership, strategy and mission

Commanding operations in the armed forces is probably one of the hardest tasks facing any leader, and when it comes to this, Richard has more experience than most. With this in mind, Richard is another of our Business Connect Bitesize speakers who will be helping delegates to think differently when it comes to defining your mission and ensuring that you take people with you.

Col. Richard Westley OBE
 Chair: **Wendy Small**, Director, operations, HouseMark

10:00 – 11:00 – Masterclass

The future of funding of supported housing

With the government planning to change the funding arrangements for supported housing, this session brings together key organisations from across the supported housing sector to debate and discuss how we protect the most vulnerable. We will explore what future funding models could look like and where alternative investment streams may come from.

Paula Reid, Policy manager, Homeless Link
Frank Czarnowski, Chief executive, West Kent Housing Association
Charlie Norman, Chief executive, SVHA
John Glenton, Executive director, housing and care, Riverside
Jeremy Porteus, Director, Housing LIN
 Chair: **Luke Cross**, Editor, Social Housing

11:30 – 12:30 – Keynote

Making devolved policy work

With the recent election of metro mayors and with the increase in devolved powers across the UK, this session is going to bring together leading organisations from all four countries to debate and discuss how to make devolved housing policy work. Themes to be explored include: housing supply, homelessness, regeneration and economic development.

Pat Ritchie, Chief executive, Newcastle City Council
Patrick Flynn, Head of housing and regeneration services, Glasgow City Council
Clarissa Corbisiero-Peters, Director of policy, Community Housing Cymru
Professor Peter Roberts, Interim chair, Northern Ireland Housing Executive
 Chair: **Mark Easton**, Home editor, BBC News

13:30 – 15:00 – Exchange Auditorium

What can housing associations and local authorities learn from each other?

Whatever the result of the general election, housing associations and local authorities are going to have to work together to meet the housing supply challenge, be it through sharing expertise, allocating land or working in partnership. Delegates will benefit from the latest insight from organisations who are at the forefront of forging a new relationship between local government and housing.

Kevin Rodgers, Chief executive, WM Housing
Carl Brazier, Director of housing and customer services, City of Stoke-on-Trent Council
Abigail Davies, Project lead, CIH working together to meet housing need, Savills
 Chair: **Steve Douglas**, Partner, Altair

11:30 – 12:30 – Housing Management

In conversation with an inspirational entrepreneur

Liz will be sharing her truly remarkable and inspirational story with our delegates on the closing day of conference. Set in an informal setting, this 'fire side' chat will see her cover topics ranging from managing an organisation in challenging times, fostering entrepreneurship and delivering first class customer service.

Dr Liz Jackson MBE, Founder, Great Guns marketing
 Chair: **Ian Graham**, Partner, Trowers and Hamlin

Thursday 29 June, 13:30 – 15:00 – Keynote

CIH President and Housing Minister's address

The Minister will be closing the conference with his keynote address, in which he will discuss the implementation of the Housing White Paper and the Housing and Planning Act 2016.

Julie Fadden, President, CIH
 Chair: **Mark Easton**, Home editor, BBC



The million homes challenge

Over the 3 days the Housing Supply Stream, in partnership with Capita, will bring delegates the latest thinking and best practice on how the sector can increase its capacity to deliver more homes.

Conference Partner:

CAPITA

DAY 1: TUESDAY 27 JUNE

09:45 – 10:00

Opening keynote address

Sir Ed Lister, Chair, HCA

Chair: Deborah McLaughlin, Director, Capita Real Estate

10:00 – 11:00

Liverpool Housing Partnership – how public private partnerships can deliver the homes we need



Steve Coffey, Chief executive, LMH

Cllr Frank Hont, Cabinet member for housing, Liverpool City Council

Faye Whiteoak, Development director, Redrow

Richard Sterling, Local development manager, Willmott Partnership Homes

Chair: Deborah McLaughlin, Director, Capita Real Estate

11:30 – 12:30

The development director's panel

Kate Ives, Development director, Wates

Vicky Savage, Development director, Network Homes

Chair: Deborah McLaughlin, Director, Capita Real Estate

12:30 – 13:30

Creating vibrant and economic prosperous places to live

Pete Gladwell, Head of public sector partnerships, Legal and General

Ian MacLeod, Assistant director, regeneration, Birmingham City Council

Andrew Carter, Deputy chief executive, Centre for Cities

14:30 – 15:30

Large scale estate regeneration: creating a tenure blind sense of place

Ben Denton, Group strategy and business development director, Keepmoat

Mary Parsons, Chair, TCPA

16:00 – 17:00

In conversation with RIBA

Ben Derbyshire, President elect, RIBA

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 28 JUNE

09:30 – 10:30

Putting quality at the heart of housing supply

Shelagh Mc Nerney, Head of development, Salford City Council

Gwyn Roberts, Homes and communities team leader, BRE

11:00 – 12:00

How do we fund and finance the delivery of new homes?

John Anderson, Executive director, Kier Living

Jonathan Goring, Managing director, Lovell

Paul Bridge, Chief executive, Civitas

Chair: Jules Bickers, Director, housing consultancy, Capita

12:00 – 13:00

Commercialising your portfolio: from site to sale

Tim Seward, director, sales and marketing, Latimer

Amy Nettleton, Chair, NHG

Paul Staley, Director, SDL

14:00 – 15:00

The Housing White Paper – what are the opportunities and risks?

Jonathan Walters, Deputy director, regulation, HCA

Andrew Cowan, Partner, Devonshires

15:30 – 16:30

How do we address the skills crisis?

Charlie Scherer, Chief operating officer, Willmott Partnership Homes

Alan Yates, Executive director, regeneration, Accord Group

DAY 3: THURSDAY 29 JUNE

10:00 – 11:00

What do the homes of tomorrow look like?

Neil Smith, Head of research and innovation, NHBC

Oliver Novakovic, Technical director, Barratt

Stephen Haigh, Chief executive, Live Verde

Sadaat Khan, Chief executive, Comfortable Living

Chair: Bevan Jones, Managing director, Sustainable Homes



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Tuesday 27th June

09:30

Inspirational Leadership – It's all about people!

In a fast paced, fun and interactive session, Liam brings you his experience of working with leaders of organisations in the public, private and charitable sectors to help you gain practical tips of motivational leadership.



Liam O'Connell
Culture change consultant &
International author

10:00

Shaking up business as usual: Injecting innovation into your business culture



Paul Taylor
Innovation coach
Bromford



Matthew Gardiner
CEO
Trafford Housing
Trust



John Giesen
Former CEO of
B3Living and chair
of Tpas



Angela Lockwood
Group CEO, North Star
& vice chair of
Placeshapers

10:30

Does money make the world go round?

Interview with



Paul Johnson,
Director,
IFS

11:00 Break

11:30

The state of the nation: A review of sustainability in housing

The review will address the potential impact of the Paris Agreement on UK housing, Brexit and sustainability as well as what is happening in UK policy in terms of the Housing White Paper and Bonfield Review.



Bevan Jones
Managing director
Sustainable Homes

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12:15

Starting the conversation with the HCA to help inform its transition



Ed Lister
Chairman
HCA

12:45

Cracked It: An enterprising scheme to lure young people away from crime and gangs



Josh Babarinde
Founder & CEO
Cracked It



Samantha Cheadle
Social & Economic
Regeneration Officer
Genesis Housing Group

13:15

Making sense of the political landscape



Interview with
Andrew Rawnsley
Chief political commentator
The Observer

13:35 Lunch

14:30

Wheatley Group's Soapbox Debates: This house believes Brexit will be great for the housing sector

Does Brexit mean boom or bust for the housing sector? Do you see hope and opportunity around the corner? Or is there just trouble ahead?

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15:00

Business Bitesize Connect: Embedding social innovation



Sam Conniff
Social entrepreneur & founder
Livity

15:30 Break

16:00

The journey of the Housing Hero

Following the awards ceremony on Monday, this session will showcase some of the finalists and their journey to being a housing hero.

Hosted by

16:30

Speed mentoring When the music stops, find your mentor!

Get connected to experienced industry veterans for career development advice in this fast-paced and fun social session.

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Wednesday 28th June

10:00

Women and leadership in housing: Why aren't we there yet?



Geeta Nanda
CEO
Thames Valley
Housing Association



Joanna Vaughan
Directorate head of
business strategy
Family Mosaic

10:30

Making life-changing theatre for homeless people

11:00 Break

11:30

Challenging tenant stereotypes - how do we get fair press?

Find out how housing organisations are working with journalists, academics, policy makers and social media to change the narrative.



Rachel Broady
Equality officer
National Union of
Journalists



Nasreen Razaq
Al-Hamdani
Tenant
Soha Housing



Tony Stacey
Chief executive
South Yorkshire
Housing Association



John Giesen
Former CEO of B3Living
and chair of Tpas

12:00

Domestic abuse - how can the housing sector better support victims?



Polly Neate
CEO
Women's Aid



Aisha Sharif
Domestic abuse
consultant & strategy
developer
Viridian Housing

12:30

Business Connect Bitesize: Balancing commerciality and social purpose



Baroness Sue Campbell
Chair
Youth Sport Trust

13:00 Lunch

Screening of 'Seeing Red'

Join the Fringe during your break for a screening of 'Seeing Red' - a play about domestic abuse performed by theatre group Melodramatics, run by the Bolton at Home and Octagon theatre partnership.

14:00

The road to recovery: Helping substance misusers build a future



James McDermott
Service Manager
Emerging Futures



Carl Cundall
Manager
Sheffield Alcohol
Support Services

14:30

What do you stand for? Branding and identity in the housing sector



Andy Milligan
Founding partner
This is Caffeine

15:00

Wheatley Group's Soapbox Debates: This house believes homes for mid-market rent are the answer to the housing crisis

Are mid-rents the answer to people's housing problems? Or should public subsidy go to social housing for the most vulnerable and poorest people?

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15:30 Break

16:00

Reel Homes: Winners of the Inside Housing short-film competition

Hear insight from new talent shedding light on the housing crisis and witness the winning entry for yourself.



Hosted by
Martin Hilditch
Deputy editor
Inside Housing

16:30

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Hosted by Wheatley Group

Thursday 29th June

10:00

Business Connect Bitesize: In conversation with...



Liz Jackson
Marketing director
BCMS

11:00 Break

11:30

Business Bitesize Connect: Leadership, Strategy & Mission Interview with



Colonel Richard Westley OBE



Graham Isdale
Group director of
corporate affairs
Wheatley Group

12:00

GEM hosts 'Ask the Housing Minister'

12:30 Lunch

13:30

Making diversity and inclusion business as usual



Bob Green
CEO
Stonewall



Alexandra Alexander
Diversity & inclusion
manager
Clarion Housing
Group

15:00

Speed mentoring



Think Tank

Focusing on practical advice on driving efficiencies, housing strategy and best practice illustrated through successful approaches and case studies.

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TUESDAY 27TH JUNE

11:30 A new mindset for local authority housing delivery?

The Housing White Paper – Fixing our broken housing market - has given encouragement to local authorities looking to start or indeed intensify their involvement in the direct delivery of new home starts. The government has welcomed the many innovative models that local authorities are using.

This session will look at a number of those models including corporate and contractual joint ventures both with the private sector and with housing associations and local housing companies and their numerous permutations

Natalie Elphicke, Chief executive, HFI

John East, Strategic director of growth and home, LB Barking and Dagenham

Scott Dorling, Partner, Trowers & Hamblins

Rob Beilley, Partner, Trowers & Hamblins

12:30 Smarter construction

There is much rhetoric around smarter construction – but what does it truly mean and who really reaps the benefits? This panel discussion brings leading developers together to share their insight and experience of delivering past and current housing projects using smarter construction. They will share candid views of what's worked for them, the challenges around marrying up conventional processes with innovative future thinking and ask, is the sector ready?

Steve Trusler, Accommodation sector leader (Europe), Laing O'Rourke

Mike DeAth, Partner, HTA Design LLP

Mike Johnson, Development Director, Hyde Housing

14:30 Fact or Feeling? Foresight or Afterthought?

Using technology and data to inform better asset management decision making. Intelligent use of data is essential to make informed decisions across all businesses and sectors - housing is no exception. This interactive session will highlight examples of technology available to analyse data and predict future trends. YourMK and Mears will also discuss how data is being turned into business intelligence to better inform asset management decision making.

Dave Pearce, IT business manager, Mears Group

David Gleeson, Managing director, YourMK

Kathryn Eames, Head of regeneration, YourMK

Peter Baldwin, Executive director, Mears Group

12:00 The Homeless Reduction Bill: Addressing the financial implications of demand and supply

Mears is the largest provider of homeless accommodation in the UK providing emergency, temporary and prevention housing portfolios to over 50 Councils. The session will set out the implications of the Act, what local authorities and partners need to do to prepare with less than 10 months to the new Act coming in. We will also look at how Mears is seeking to provide solutions to managing demand and supply with Councils.

Andy Gale, Housing consultant

John Taylor, Managing director, housing management services, Mears Group

Amber Christou, Head of Resident Services, Swale Borough Council

14:00 Rethinking repairs & maintenance delivery: Realising efficiency savings and enhancing stock value

Traditional repairs delivery models will not match the value and economy thresholds now expected. Mears and 15 other housing organisations have been working collaboratively with CIH Consultancy to rethink the sector's approach to repairs and maintenance. Find out how the project is delivering insight on approaches that can shrink the cost of service and focus resources on achieving sustainable outcomes with residents and the landlord team.

Richard Medley, Director, CIH Consultancy

Ian Gregg, Executive director, asset services, Riverside

Lucas Critchley, Managing director, Mears Group

15:30 Housing Delivery Partnerships – Breaking down the barriers

Formal partnerships or joint ventures for housing delivery are recognised by many as an obvious solution but have not been universally taken up – now is the time to challenge why and to consider and promote the benefits that partnerships can offer.

This session will look at how Housing Delivery Partnerships (HDPs) can unlock development? HDPs as a tool for wider economic regeneration and the key drivers and benefits for housing associations, local authorities and the private sector

Tom Shaw, Development director (South), Hyde Group

Tonia Secker, Partner, Trowers and Hamblins

Amy Shaw, Partner, Trowers and Hamblins

WEDNESDAY 28TH JUNE

09:30 Driving value through energy partnerships

With the Government's drive for district heating, committed funding for local authority involvement and the forthcoming relaunch of Energy Company Obligation (ECO) funding, it is a good opportunity to look at the potential for establishing longer term partnerships in the sector. This session will look at key approaches for joint working, including ESCO and JV opportunities for district heating, lessons learned from the last ECO experience and challenges presented by more complex energy performance contracts. It will also feature guest speakers who will share their experiences of successfully delivering these types of long term partnerships.

Chris Paul, Partner, Trowers & Hamblins

11:00 Delivering the Housing White Paper

The much anticipated Housing White Paper, Fixing our Broken Housing Market launched on 7 February provoking media speculation and commentary. The four tenants of the paper examine:

- Planning for the right homes in the right places
- Building homes faster
- Diversifying the market
- Helping people now

This panel brings together industry experts from government, local authority and construction to ask how the objectives set out in the paper can actually be delivered, the commitments made relevant to industry and are they ambitious enough?

Moderator: Emma Maier, Inside Housing

Panel:

Steve Trusler, Accommodation sector leader (Europe), Laing O'Rourke

Natalie Elphicke OBE, CEO, The Housing & Finance Institute

Jonathan Trout, Property Director, Stanhope

Andy von Bradsky, Chairman, The Housing Forum

THURSDAY 29TH JUNE

10:00 Manchester housing and devolution impact

Robin will explain the collaborative work undertaken by GM Housing Providers' Group which culminated in signing a Memorandum of Understanding with GM Combined authority in May 2016. He will outline the opportunities and challenges of the GMCA's twin priorities of growth and public service reform. Mears have recently been picked by Manchester City Council ALMO Northwards Housing for a 10-year repairs and maintenance contract to carry out the repairs, empty property and servicing work to 13,500 homes in the north of the city.

Robin Lawler, Chief executive, Northwards Housing

Des Morris, Managing director, Manchester working, Mears Group

11:30 Finding solutions to the housing skills gap

Mark Farmer's report set the challenge – Modernise or Die – urging the construction industry to adopt new methods and adapt its working practices to combat the shortcomings of the industry's labour model. What must we do differently to attract, retain and upskill our workforce in order to meet the UK's future requirements?

Steve Trusler, Accommodation sector leader (Europe), Laing O'Rourke

Mark Farmer, Founding director and CEO, Cast Consultancy

David Montague, Chief executive, L&Q