

What is a Community Land Trust (CLT) and how does it affect me?

We have the opportunity to set up a Community Land Trust. A CLT is a community enterprise set up to benefit a specific community by owning important local assets.

Managed by a local elected board, a Community Land Trust's first project is usually to help develop an affordable housing scheme, often in partnership with a housing association

By owning the land, the Trust controls things that are important to a town or village such as the location, number and design of the homes. It also ensures that local people have priority to live in them.

The Trust would also generate an income from ground rents from its housing association partner; an income which would pay for the Trust's running costs.

The Trust can protect other assets from being lost to the town, including shops and facilities.

“Help the Town to Thrive”

Community Meeting

Thursday 11th
November 2021

- **Community Land Trusts help prevent the decline of thriving communities.**
- **Come and find out more about how a CLT could be set up in our Town.**
- **Hear a presentation from Middlemarch Community-Led Housing, an advice service supporting over 60 CLTs in the South West.**

Pre-register interest in attending by e-mail with your name and postcode to

sherborneclt@gmail.com

before 10th November 2021

A Community Land Trust



PUBLIC MEETING

7 pm
Thursday 11th November
2021

Digby Hall, Hound Street
Sherborne DT9 3AA

Affordable Housing
for
Sherborne Residents
come and hear

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What else can a Community Land Trust do?

It's not only affordable housing...

Community Land Trusts usually start by helping to provide affordable housing and then go on to look at protecting other things that are important to the community:

- Land
- Homes
- Pub
- Shop
- Car Park
- Public toilets
- Post office
- Allotments
- Orchard
- Cemetery
- Workshops
- Solar power

By setting up a Community Land Trust now – as part of an affordable housing project – the town will have a vehicle to help protect other assets, if it seems that they might be lost.

Key aspects of community-led housing

1. A CLT is a not-for-private-profit organisation set up to benefit a specific community.
2. CLTs can own land and other assets which are important to a community – with an emphasis on affordable housing.
3. CLTs hold those assets so that they are available and affordable for future generations.
4. A CLT is open to membership by anyone in the community supporting its aims.



Agenda

Agenda for a community meeting about formation of a CLT for Sherborne

Thursday 11 November 2021

Seated by 6.45 to start at 7.00 pm

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| 7.00 | Welcome & Introductions |
| 7.05 | Why Sherborne? |
| 7.10 | Dorset Council – support for community led housing |
| 7.20 | Middlemarch Community- led Housing: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is a CLT?• What support is available?• Examples of community-led housing projects elsewhere. |
| 7.40 | Questions and Answers – open discussion. |
| 8.20 | Forming a steering group. |
| 8.30 | Finish. |

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Want to be part of the future?

The CLT project group is exploring with the community the setting up a community-led housing project.

We now need to know if *YOU* want this future too – and if you'd like to get involved...

Come to the meeting

This will be a chance to hear more about community-led housing and how affordable homes for local people can be provided.

Join the steering group

You have an opportunity to join the Community Land Trust steering group.

Should you be unable to attend and would like to be kept informed of any further information. Please do send an e-mail to the address below, your name and post code would be very much appreciated too.

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