



## Affordable Housing Development Project

### Highlight Report 1

Period to November 2020

#### Overview

In July 2018, the States agreed to the development of a new Housing Strategy for Guernsey. The Affordable Housing Development Project is one of a number of distinct projects that together form the 'Housing Strategy Programme', delivered through the Committee *for the* Environment & Infrastructure. Updates on the project are given at the Housing Strategy Programme Board Meetings which have political representation from the E & I, ESS and P & R Committees.

Affordable housing, as defined in Planning legislation, comprises "social housing" such as social rental, key worker, extra care and specialised housing and "intermediate housing" such as partial ownership. A key aim of the Project is to carry out a review of all States-owned affordable housing stock and plan how it can be better utilised going forward to ensure that the Island's affordable housing requirements are best met.

#### Current Position

The Project Board has held its first two meetings to agree the project's objectives and to plan the initial steps.

The project's initial focus has been on the collation of data on all the States-owned affordable housing stock. Progress has been made on compiling a report that sets out the condition and suitability of every unit of stock.

#### Next Steps

A second workshop has been arranged to discuss the housing stock data list and the next steps that need to be taken.

At the next Project Board, the Board will identify future work streams, key stakeholders and timescales. This will be used to map an overall project plan.

Project documents will continue to evolve with the input of the Project Board.

#### We will:

- Review all the affordable housing stock owned by the States of Guernsey to consider whether it is suitable for its intended purpose.
- Consider if any of this stock should be used for a different type of affordable housing or whether it should be sold.
- Use these findings to inform a restructure plan and the future affordable housing development plan.

The full list of the project's objectives can be viewed on <https://www.gov.gg/housingstrategy>

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