

How can a Community Land Trust benefit my community?



This model separates the value of land from the assets built on top. It can be delivered by ordinary people who live or work in a specific area. The main principles of this model are democratic decision making, stewardship of the land and affordability.

Community Land Trusts are one model communities can use to deliver housing and community assets needed within their area. Community groups throughout the UK have used the model to deliver education, health, employment, recreation and housing assets for their community. The reasons and benefits of using the Community Land Trust model are given below:

1. Put local people in the driving seat of what form, type and tenure development is delivered in their community
2. Enable communities to highlight what assets and services they want.
3. Provide well designed neighbourhoods with high quality homes, designed to meet future needs and aspirations.
4. Provide homes that support social networks, cohesive living and reducing isolation
5. Protect homes and assets at affordable levels in keeping with local incomes for future generations.
6. Flexibility in business plans to deliver homes to meet local incomes.
7. Stewardship principles protect homes for future generations
8. Surplus from rents or fees are recycled back into project for new projects.

More information can be found [here](#)

