

## How can Community Self Build benefit my community?



The main role of this agency is to bring individual prospective self-builders together to form a community group to jointly meet their housing need for rented homes. The main principles behind this model is affordability and sustainability.

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The agency is particularly interested in hearing from applicants who are unemployed or of low incomes who are prepared to learn new skills as they build the homes for rent.

There are two ways of building new homes, either as part of a community group that is already legally incorporated or as part of a group who are seeking to become legally incorporated.

Homes built are for various tenures including for affordable rent, shared ownership or outright sale. Applicants with secure jobs and some savings may find outright sale affordable whilst shared ownership is aimed at applicants who have lower paid jobs or lower deposits. Rental homes are aimed at applicants who are on modest incomes, but because of the amount of work conducted as part of the build process, renters would pay a reduced rent to reflect their 'sweat equity'.

More information can be found [here](#).