

THE COMMUNITY HOUSING WORKING GROUP (CHWG)

HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT

A recent series of Annual General Meetings in the Parish have raised the question of “Affordable Housing”. In the wake of these meetings, the NNPC has set up a Community Housing Working Group with a remit to come forward with proposals by the end of the year for a Community Housing Programme that will benefit the Parish, be under the control of the community and which would provide affordable housing in perpetuity for Newton and Noss.

This Working Group sees its remit as providing affordable housing for people who have roots in the village in some way or who have come to live and work in Newton and Noss but who cannot afford to live here. There is also a requirement to assess whether there is a need, often discussed in the past, for some “Employment Land”; that is somewhere for light workshop or similar facilities to be set up for the benefit of local business.

In the village questionnaire over 75% voted in favour of Affordable Housing and over 50% were happy to see the village boundary extended to achieve this. The great unknown, however, is the *real need* for community housing and more employment land.

Therefore, anyone who has or knows of someone who would *genuinely* meet the above criteria, please write to the Chairman:-

Robin Hogg at Anchor House, Pillory Hill, Noss Mayo, Plymouth PL8 1ED

or

Email him at robstar@talktalk.net.

All information received will be treated in confidence but is essential for the Working Group to understand the scale of any Community Housing Programme and any supporting commercial land.

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