



Work in progress

Objective

<p>Countywide rural housing partnership protocol</p>	<p>To define the roles of the key stakeholders and map out the stages and responsibilities involved with investigating need and delivering exception sites; to help raise awareness, increase knowledge, build capacity, overcome barriers and increase delivery.</p>
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Detail

The partnership working protocol has been produced by [Midlands Rural Housing](#) (MRH) following close consultation with the Housing Strategy teams of the Local Authorities.

A rolling programme of Housing Needs Surveys is recommended in the partnership working protocol, of which the vast majority will be carried out by [Northamptonshire Rural Housing Association](#) at no cost to the local authorities.

Details (cont.)

It is intended that the protocol will provide a framework for all partners to work within which will result in a robust evidence base of housing need across the County that can be delivered on through partnership working.

It also assists with LA capacity as no additional officer time will be necessary as Housing Need Surveys and community consultation is undertaken by MRH.

The protocol is new and is only just being adopted - this example is to be reviewed in 6 months from July 2010.

[Northamptonshire Partnership Working Protocol](#)

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