



Good Practice

Objective

Guide for Parish Councillors	To help promote rural affordable housing and ensure key partners have the relevant information to enable engagement and informed decision making.
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Detail

Babergh District Council has developed a guide to the enabling process and related issues to assist Parish Councillors to bring forward rural affordable housing for their parish.

The guide provides clear explanations regarding topics important for parish councillors to fully understand, including a definition of general needs and local needs housing; of affordable housing in general; of the role of registered providers; and of the role of the Rural Housing Enabler.

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Outcomes

Babergh has worked successfully with parish councils and partner Housing Associations to deliver 24 [Rural Exceptions Site](#) affordable housing schemes.

The Council is working with a further 25 parish councils to bring forward further local needs housing schemes. The guide has helped foster good will and developed a better understanding of local needs affordable housing.

Update – 2012 The Guide has been updated and is available by clicking on the link above

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