



<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Cabinet</b>
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<b>Title of report:</b>	<b>Community Housing Fund</b>
<b>Report by:</b>	<b>Cabinet member health and wellbeing</b>

Please note the following clarification and amendments to the report for item 4:

Amendment is required to the report to reflect the fact that Marches CLT Services is not a Community Land Trust, but is an organisation which provides services and support for community housing developments. Therefore, Marches CLT would not be eligible for any funding which is earmarked for grant aid to community land trusts.

Paragraph 8 is amended as follows;

Herefordshire has some experience of developing and delivering community-led housing. Two schemes have been delivered successfully with Marches CLT Services ~~community Land Trust~~ in the past three years and these have enabled parish councils to take control of local housing development. †The council has been supporting and enabling self-build development on a small scale for some time. The two co-housing schemes locally; ~~Manderla~~ were conceived some time ago and have now reached the planning stages, with mixed fortunes. Herefordshire's established culture of neighbourhood planning is recognised as an asset in delivering community-led housing, and one which is not always present in other council areas.

The first part of paragraph 9 is amended as follows;

It is proposed that Herefordshire Council should use the initial funding available to build the capacity locally to develop and deliver community housing over the longer term. This would be done through addressing five main priorities in 2017:

Investment in existing and emergent community land trusts; ~~(CLT); Marches CLT, Hereford CLT and other new and potential trusts.~~ This investment would support housing needs surveys, training, community engagement and project management to develop partnerships with local housing providers.

Paragraph 10 is amended as follows;

DCLG encourages councils to engage and pay specialist advisers from the community-led housing sector to help develop proposals and plan their implementation. Available advisers have been provided by DCLG and initial discussions are continuing to shape Herefordshire's proposals in more detail, including grant award process and criteria which will be developed in conjunction with commercial services and others, ~~along with discussions with Marches CLT, which is the most established trust working in the county.~~