

8.0 Local List of Pre-Registration Requirements

8.1 Affordable Housing Statement

Background

The National Park has well established planning policies for the provision of affordable housing (these lie within the Housing Chapter of the Local Plan). There is much information available to applicants following the survey work of the Rural Housing Project which can be viewed on the National Park Authority's web site. Most applicants, either individuals or Registered Providers (Housing Association), proposing affordable housing will have had discussions with the Planning Policy Team or District Council's Housing Officer to ensure that their application reflects the needs of that community or individual for housing. Planning Officers would also welcome discussions to ensure that applicants provide sufficient information to demonstrate that there is a need for the sufficient type of affordable housing that is sought.

Requirements

That those proposing local needs affordable housing should demonstrate that there is a local need for the proposals and that may include the evidence from a Local Needs Survey or in parishes without a completed or up to date survey the Individual Local Needs Questionnaire should be completed (this questionnaire will be analysed by the Authority and the details will remain confidential). The details with an application should specify the number of units, the mix of units, with numbers of habitable rooms and/or bedrooms. The affordable housing statement should also include details of any Registered Providers acting as partners in the development. If different levels or types of affordability or tenure are proposed for different units this should be clearly and fully explained.



ENPA: An example of local affordable housing at Porlock