



# HBF Planning Conference 16 September 2010

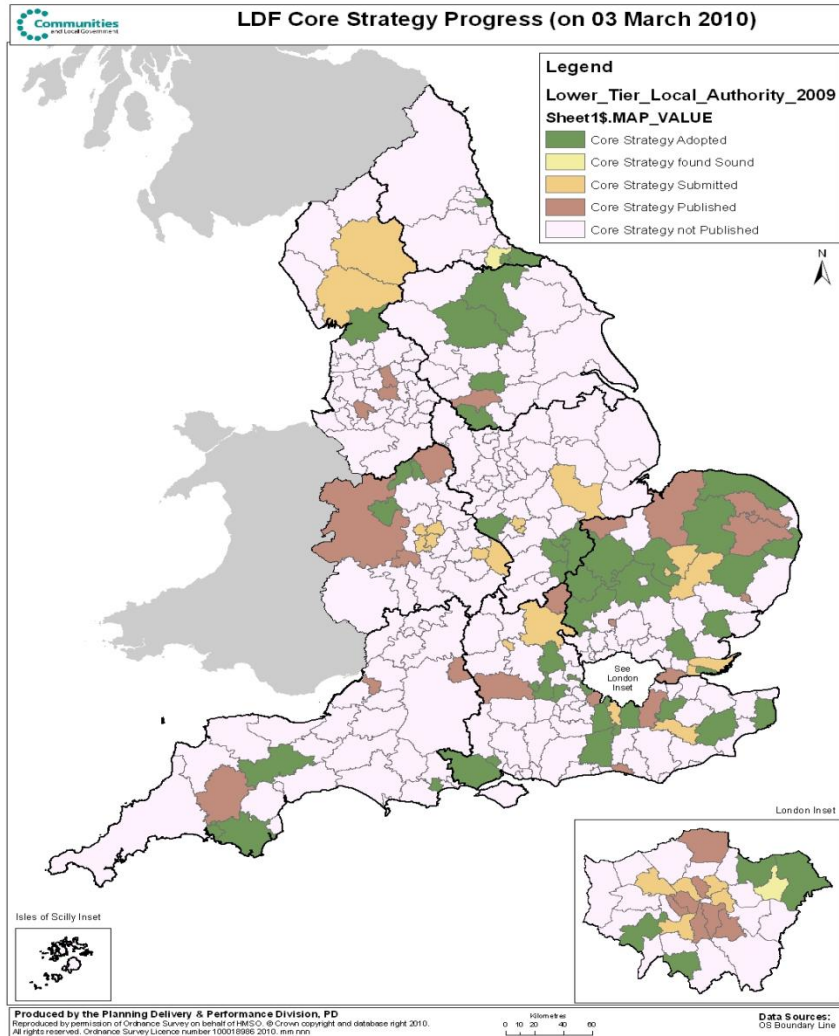
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## The Government's vision

**The Coalition:**  
our programme  
for government

- Localism (Localism, Localism)
- Decentralisation – Big Society
- Enshrined in Coalition Agreement
- But also pro-development

# Why Localism?



- Top down, target driven model hasn't worked
- Controversial with Local Authorities & local people
- Plan making slower than expected
- Need to make localism work

### Revocation of Regional Strategies –

- Not a signal for LAs to stop making LDFs
- LAs now responsible for establishing right level of housing provision
- LAs still need to provide 5 Year land supply

## Vision of *Open Source Planning*



- Neighbourhood Planning
- GC's RTPI speech
- Plan based not development management based
- Presumption in favour of sustainable development
- More to follow

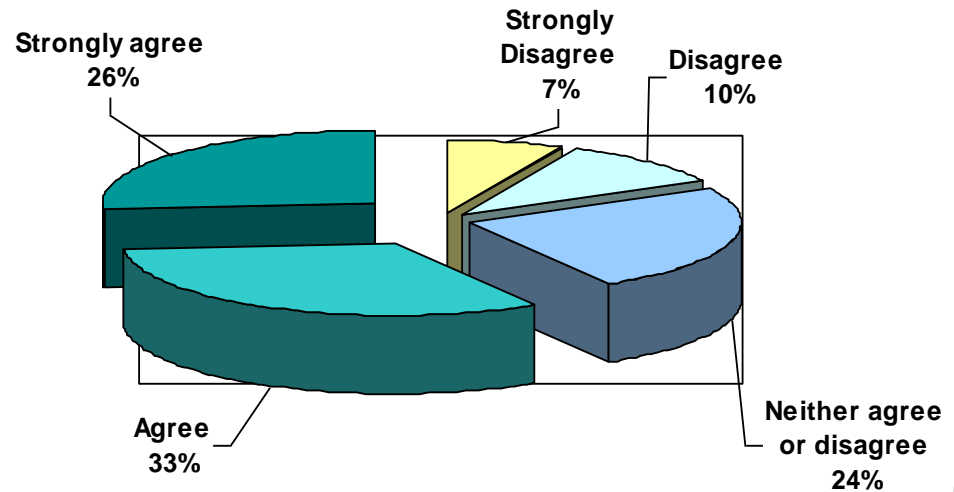
# What do people think?

**1. There is a lack of affordable housing for young people**



**2. We need to build many more houses each year than we have in the recent past**

**3. The General public should be much more actively involved in shaping public services.**



Source: Ipsos MORI

## Capturing benefits & incentives

- Future of CIL/tariffs
- New Homes Bonus
- Other incentives e.g.  
Business Incentive  
Bonus



Localism Bill this autumn

National Planning Policy Framework

- Commitment in Coalition Agreement
- Will help bring Transparency and simplicity in the planning system