

# INVESTING NATIONALLY



# Responding to the New Reality

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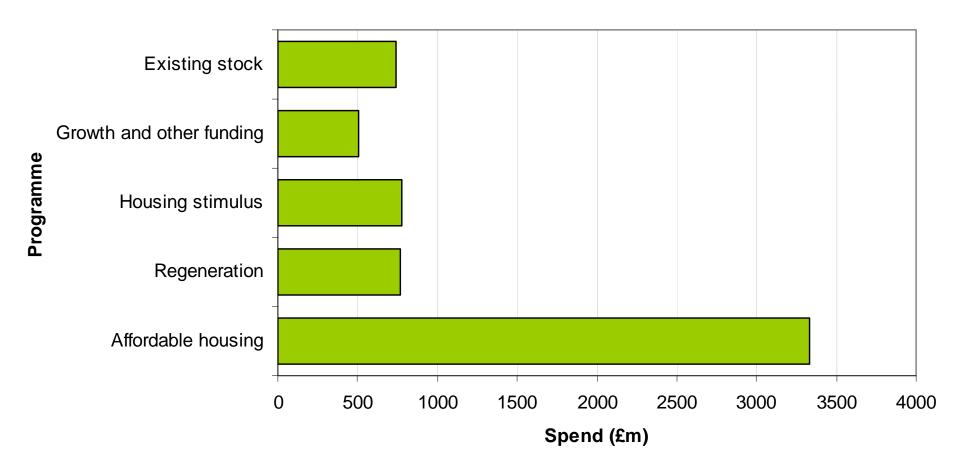
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### HCA 2009/10 investment

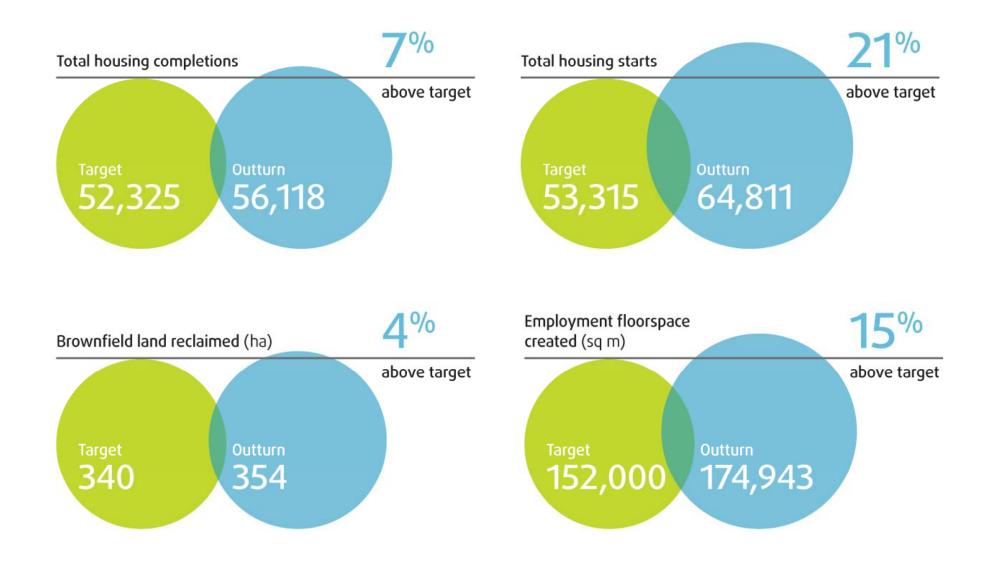


#### Spend (£m)



## HCA 2009/10 delivery

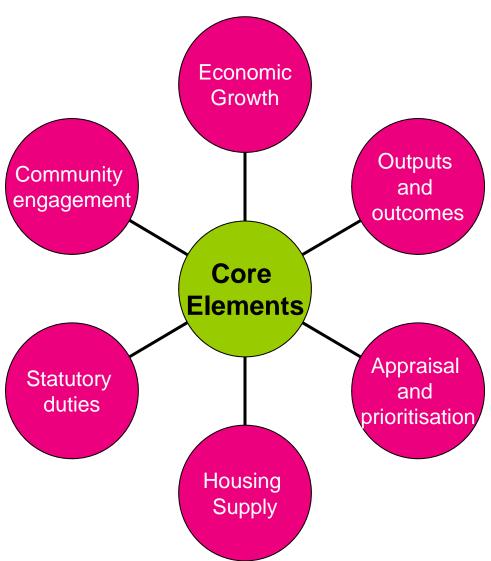




#### **Local Investment Plans**



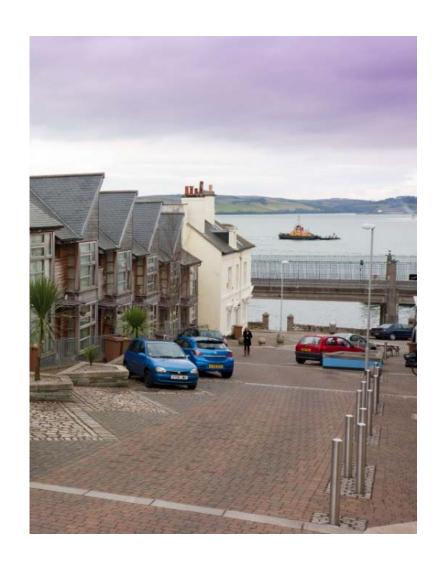
- 28 completed nationwide
- Need to address core elements
- Progress at request of LAs
- All completed by end 2010/11
- Successful LIPs will include wide range of stakeholders



# 2010/11 spend and delivery



- In year budget reduction of £390m or 10%
- Total budget £4.7bn
- Affordable housing completions sustained despite budget reduction
- Significant reduction in starts



### House building delivery



- Kickstart will invest c. £613m
- Deliver over 18,000 units
- Over £250m allocated to Homebuy Direct, matched by house builders
- HBD will deliver 12,000 units
- HBD accounts for 15-30% of house builder sales



# The new reality





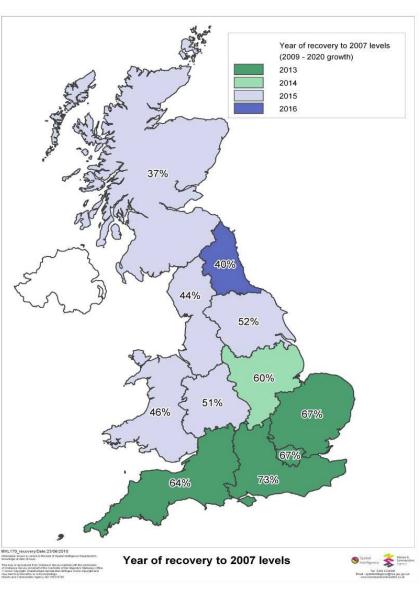
Significantly reduced public investment

Continuing challenge to improve design and sustainability

### A fragile market: North South divide



- House prices in southern areas are predicted to recover sooner
- Southern areas will see a greater increase in prices up to 2020

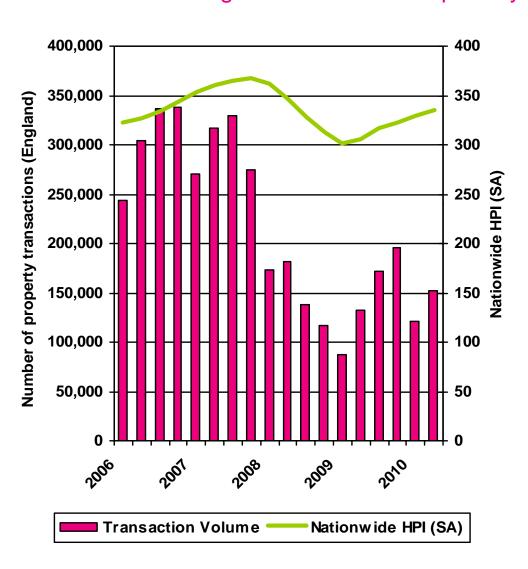


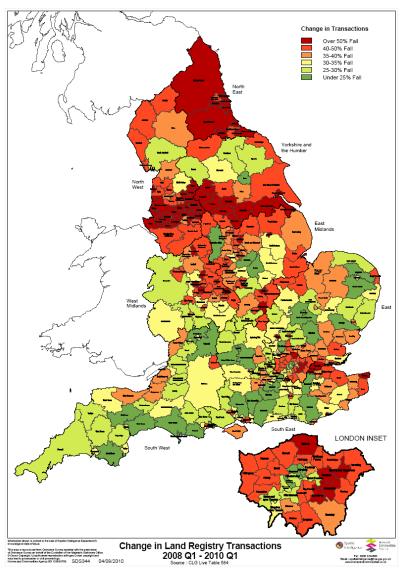
Source: Savills

#### **Transactions**

# Homes & Communities Agency

#### The real housing market 'crash' – especially in the north

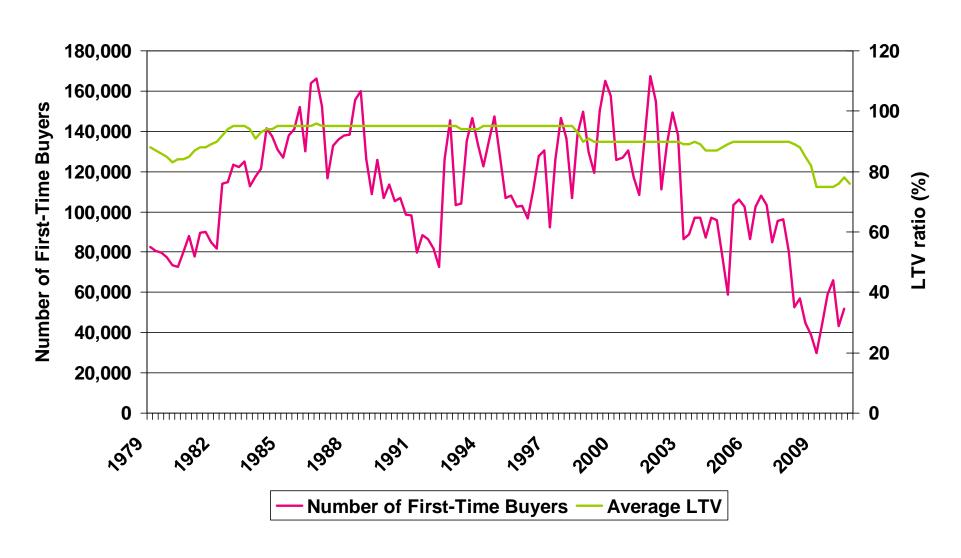




Source: CLG, Land Registry

# New reality: First time buyers

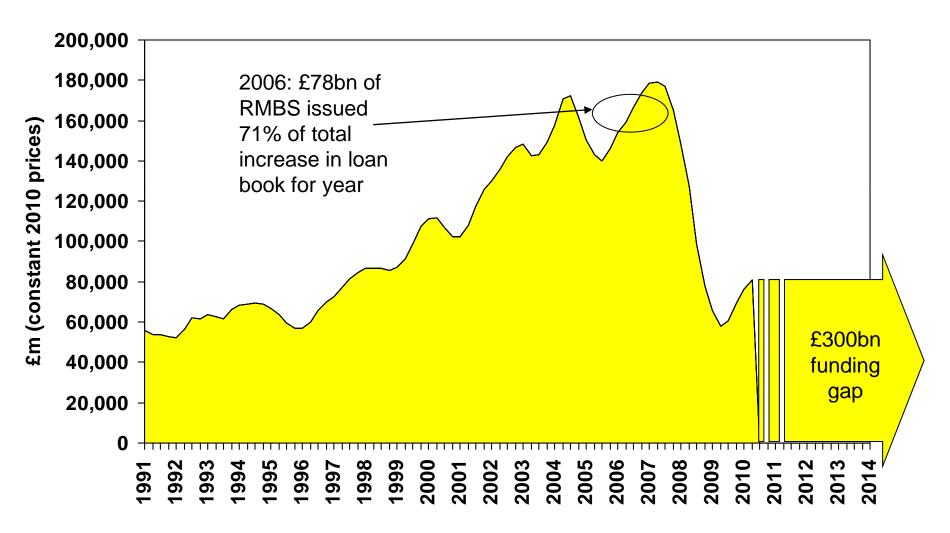




# Mortgage Lending

For House Purchase (at constant 2010 prices)

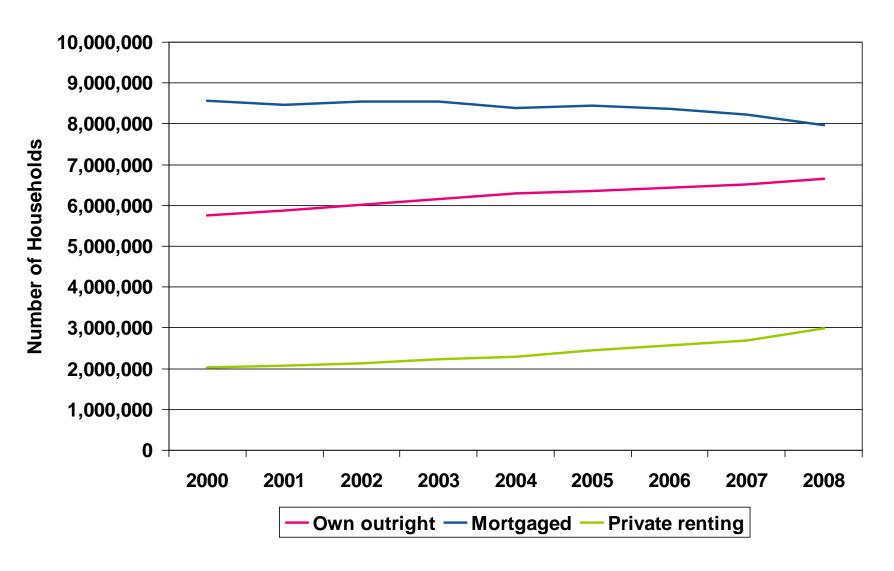




Source: CML

# New Reality: The vanishing mortgagee... And the rise of the outright owner

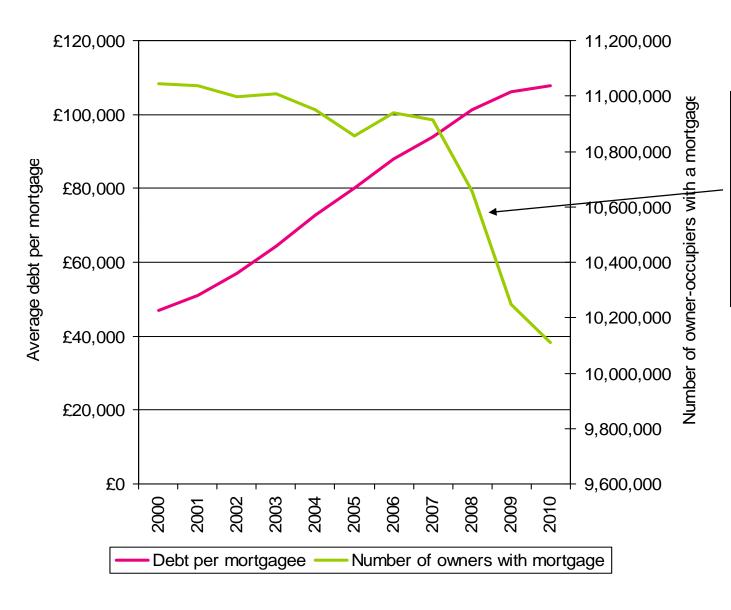




Source: Survey of English Housing

#### New Reality: The indebted mortgagee

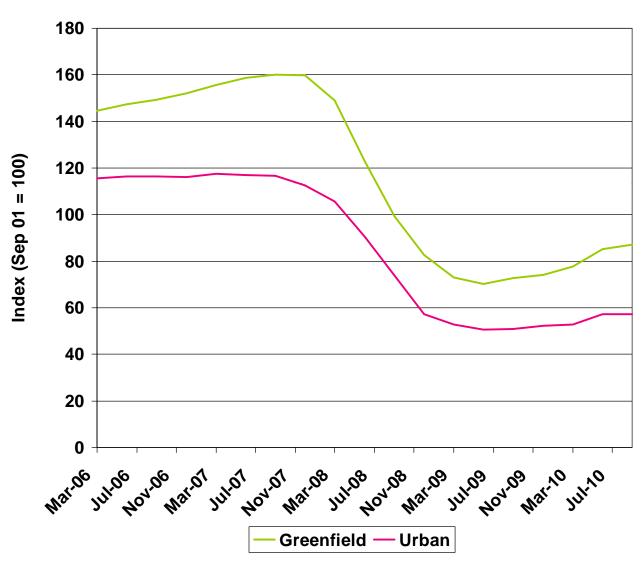




Combination of low levels of new mortgages and the ability of some owner-occupiers to use 0.5% base rate to pay off loan principal (FTBs do not benefit)

## New reality: Land





Source: Savills

## Implications for development



- Mortgage market is dictating activity
- Developers strategies reflect this
- Land and infrastructure factors reinforce this – demand for oven ready sites



## The emerging response



- Finance
  - Institutional investment
- Tenure
  - New models for the intermediate market
- New Partnerships
  - Using best resources of Developers, RPs and LAs
- Land
  - Innovation in deal structures



## The emerging response



#### • Finance:

- Institutional investment in PRS
- HCA funds assisted first Berkeley Homes PRS through kickstart
- Berkeley now aim to create second PRS fund
- Best use of public resources

#### Tenure:

- Developers: Barratt Head Start
- RPs: L&Q Up to You models allow tenants to build up a deposit while they rent two products
  - Up to You £12-25k
  - Up to You £25-60k



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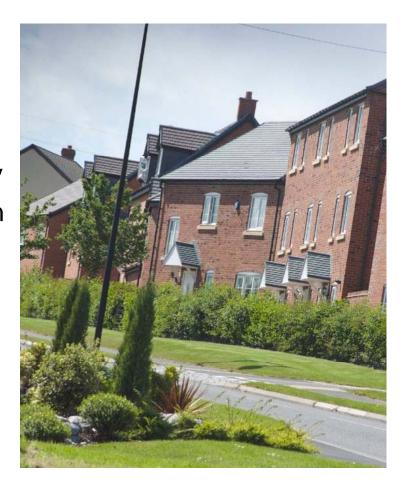


#### New Partnerships

- 27<sup>th</sup> Sept announced 1<sup>st</sup> preferred development partner from DPP
- Wates Living Space to develop 218 units, code 4 at Guest Hospital Dudley
- In 8 months, 14,500 homes have been identified to be delivered by partners procured through the panel.

#### Land

- Public land initiative: Lightmoor Urban Village, Telford
- 100 homes planned, 30 affordable



#### The future of the HCA



- An enabling and investment Agency
- Responsible for:



"I see (the HCA) as an enabling and investment body. Or in plain English, the people who help to get things done."

**Grant Shapps MP on the HCA, CIH conference 2010** 

#### Conclusions



- Working together has got us through a very tough period
- Things will not go back to the way they were
- The future success of the sector will depend on how quickly it adapts to the new reality