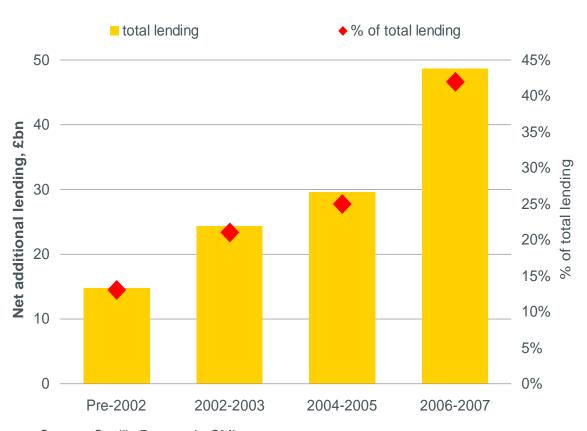


Understanding investors

Yolande Barnes, Director Residential Research



buy to let boom was important to industry



Source: Savills Research, CML



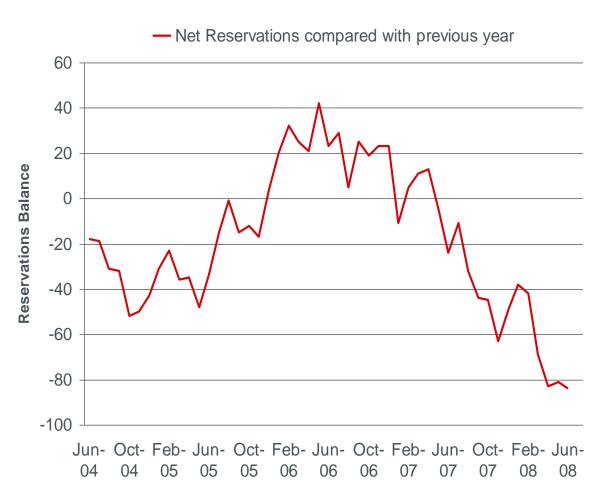
... but they have departed in droves



Source: HBF



transactions have never been so low



Source: HBF



prices have fallen quickly

- prices have fallen Nationwide Latest 3 months on previous 3 months (Seasonally adjusted)
 - Halifax Latest 3 months on previous 3 months (Seasonally adjusted)

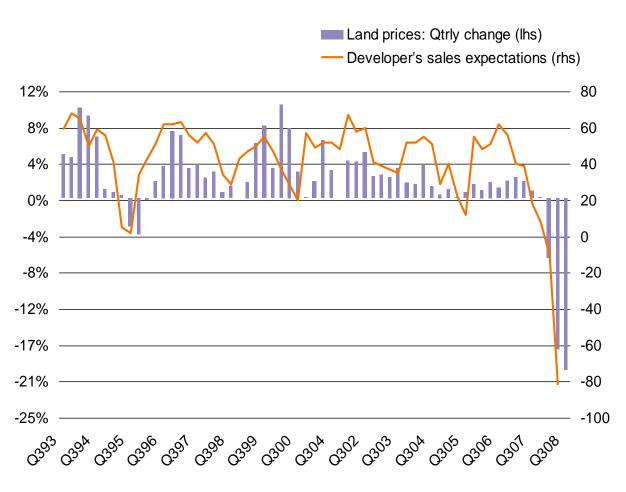
with more to come...



Source: Nationwide/ Halifax



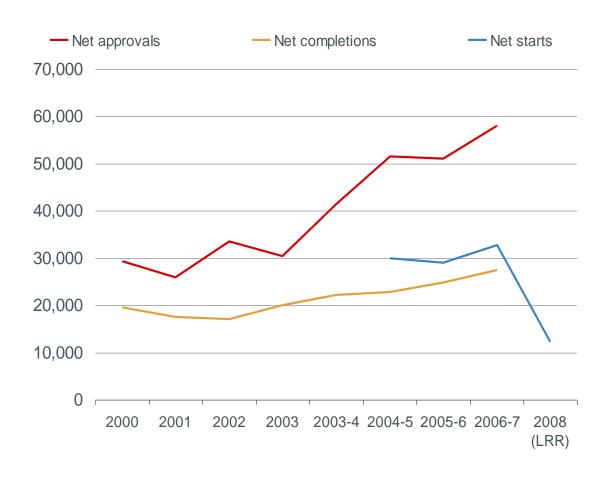
development land values are in steep decline



Source: Savills Research, Home Builders Federation



delivery has fallen sharply

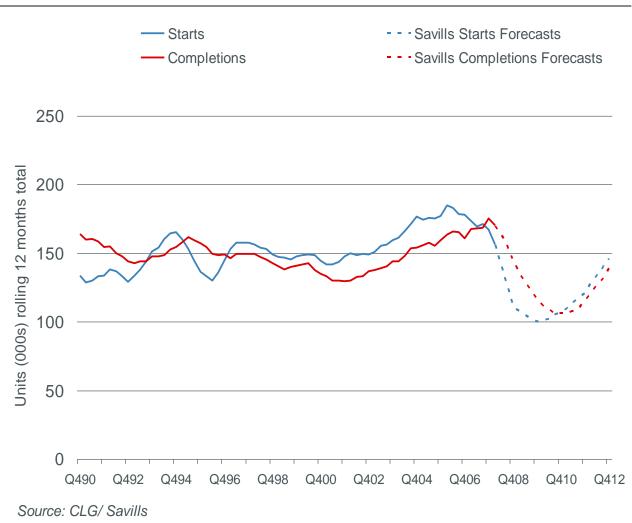


Source: GLA/ London Residential Research



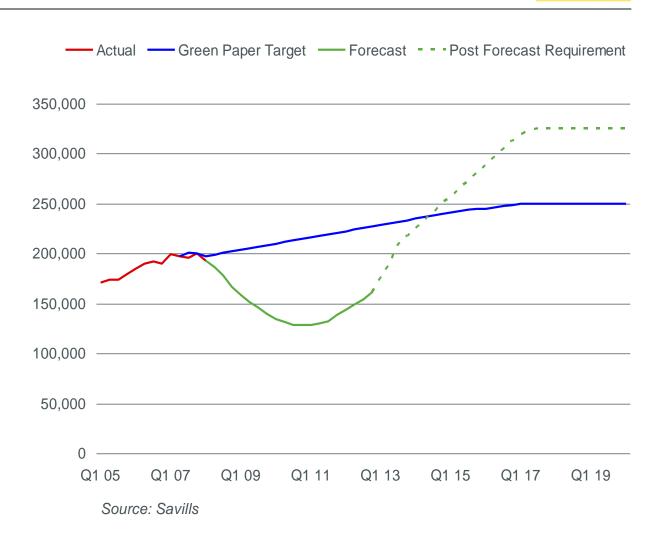
we expect at least 6 years of lower development activity

but steeper fall in supply than demand will lead to housing scarcity, helping eventual market recovery



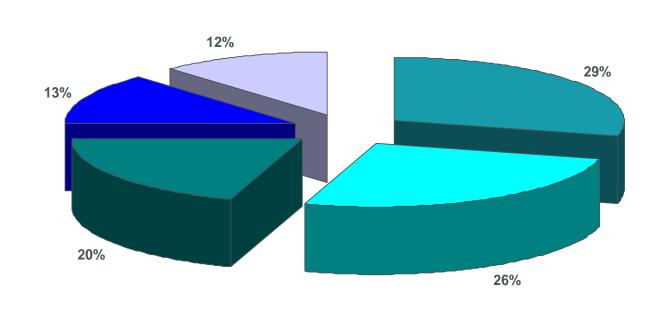
savills

housing delivery targets are impossible using conventional business models





... no wonder commercial developers control more strategic sites than traditional housebuilders

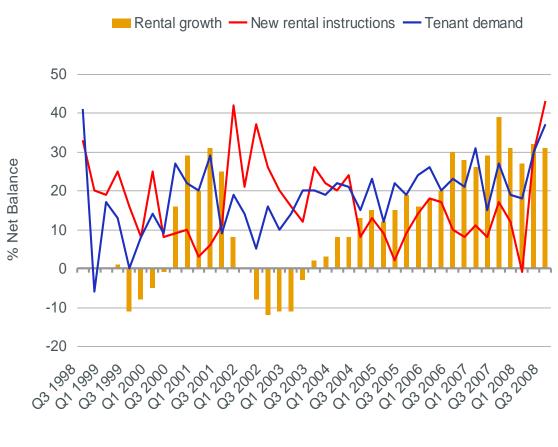


- Commercial Developer
 Public sector
- Partnership Housebuilder
- Other private sector



but underlying demand is still there

evidenced by rental growth



Source: RICS



Investors

Private v Corporate

Capital growth v Income

Gearing v equity

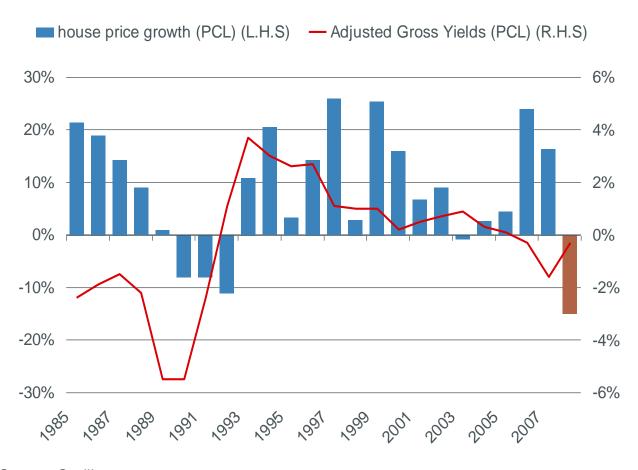
investor's motives



Motive:	Capital	Growth	Inc	ome
Gearing:	High	None	High	None
Individual investors	Traditional buy-to let investors – an extinct breed?	Long term asset investment – competes with gold etc.	Rarely a motive for individuals.	Will this be seen as a viable alternative to bonds and deposits?
Corporate investors	Usually a late- cycle play. Dependent on liberal lending policies	Co-ownership for longer-term participation. Creation of modern landed estates?	Rare. A specialist play from exceptionally high-yielding properties	Build to let.



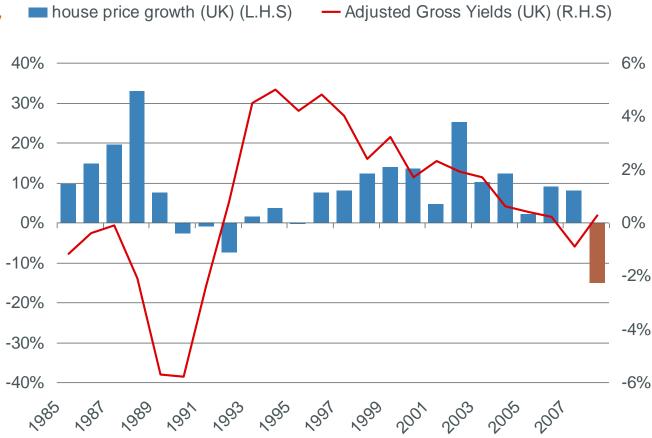
so what is an irresistible yield?



Source: Savills



... the story seems similar nationally



Source: Savills



development performance can boost returns e.g. regeneration



Source: Savills Research



there is a recovery play here

