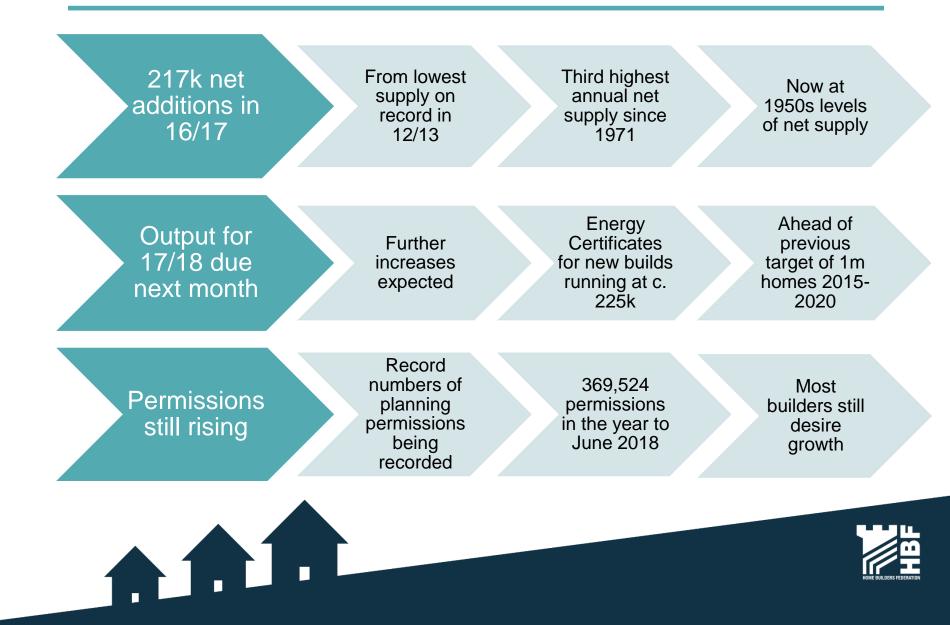
## **Yorkshire Conference 2018**

## Peter Andrew MBE, Deputy Chairman Home Builders Federation



## Progress to date



## **Sector Achievements**

## •The economic footprint of the house building industry is significant

•In 2017, the industry generated:



of Economic Output generated by house building each year



**£45m** invested in open space, community, sport and leisure facilities

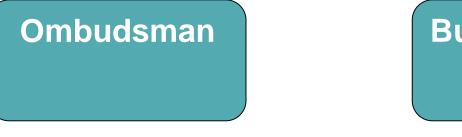


239,000 directly employed in the industry (18% of the construction industry)





### **Policy Update**



# Build regs and fire safety



### Leasehold



#### THE INDUSTRY FACES SOME TOUGH CHALLENGES...





- •Housebuilders in England are heavily reliant on foreign labour
- Last year, we undertook a Home Building Workforce Census which surveyed over 37,000 workers across 1090 of our members' sites. It found:
  - -17.7% of the homebuilding workforce is from an EU country
  - -This is most apparent in London and the South East where **49.5%** and **19.8%** of all workers are from EU countries
  - –In Yorkshire and the Humber, only 1.3% of workers are from the EU
  - -Romania, Poland, Lithuania and Ireland are the most common countries of origin for the non-British workforce



## Skills shortage

•Against this backdrop, we are facing a skills shortage

•For example, for every extra **10,000** houses we need approximately:



•In total, we need over 8,000 new recruits across 12 key roles



## Other considerations

•Help to Buy

- Sluggish second hand market
- •Over-reliance on small number of providers

Media portrayal of the industry compounds these challenges...



## Summary

□ Industry is making good progress

- □ Working hard to mitigate the challenges facing the sector
- Determined to meet the 300,000 target

BUT we need:

- 1) Everyone to play their part
- 2) Economic and policy stability





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