



# The home of the future

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# Agenda

1. Working with the new government
2. The home of the future
3. Project update
  - Biodiversity net gain
  - Whole life carbon
  - Low carbon homes demonstrator projects
  - Net zero roadmap
  - Future homes standard



# Plans from the new government

## We will build sustainable homes at scale

- Build **1.5 million new homes over the next parliament**...restoring mandatory housing targets
- Take a brownfield first approach... and release of lower quality 'grey belt' land with 'golden rules' to ensure development benefits communities and nature.
- build a new generation of new towns... alongside urban extensions and regeneration projects
- ensure **new development provides more affordable homes**
- [make] **exemplary development the norm not the exception**, building more high-quality, well-designed, and sustainable homes and creating places that increase climate resilience and promote nature recovery.
- implement solutions to **unlock the building of homes affected by nutrient neutrality** without weakening environmental protections.



# One Plan



## The Challenge

*Delivering 6 million new homes while fully decarbonising our economy, helping lead the world in preventing catastrophic climate change, improving the natural environment against a backdrop of decline and adapting to a rapidly changing climate.*

### 1. A severe shortage of homes

- Population of UK set to increase by 4m by 2050
- Shortfall of 4.3m new homes built between 1955 and 2015

### 2. Facing catastrophic climate change

- Hottest 10 years in UK have occurred since 2010
- 17 % of carbon emissions from homes

### 3. Natural environment decline

- 43% decline in bird species since 1970
- 15% increase in water demand by 2050 coupled with 15% reduction in water availability

## The Opportunity

*To plan and innovate to create a generation of new homes and places that benefit customers*

Comfortable and healthy to live in

Low energy bills and maintenance costs

Smart to manage

Planet friendly and planning friendly

Fit for the future

Designed for changing values

**Future Homes,  
One Plan**

Building a generation of high quality, affordable and sustainable homes and communities, together



# Delivering 1,500,000 homes

## Opportunities to support required structural change



- Identify the **skills** required to deliver sustainable homes at scale and work with sector partners to forecast need
- Explore development of **placemaking guidance/standards** to simplify planning approval, creating places and developments that are low-carbon, nature-rich, resilient, healthy and well-designed.
- Develop **long-term transition plans** for carbon and the environment to provide certainty for investment and innovation.
- Reduce inconsistency in standards or requirements by **defining consistent metrics** and help reduce divergence of local standards



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# The long-term roadmap

Applies now

Policy outline announced

Future roadmap

	Up to 2025	2025-2030	2030-2035
<b>Homes in use carbon emissions</b>	Reduction of 31% (Part L)	Reduction of 75-80% Future Homes Standard 2025 (Part L)	Future Regulatory change 2030
<b>Embodied carbon emissions (and resources)</b>	Consistent measurement	Reduction of 15-35% by 2030	Reduction of 40-60% By 2035
<b>Onsite construction carbon emissions</b>		Phaseout of directly purchased diesel and for groundworks	Phaseout of all onsite diesel including contractors
<b>Health, safety and comfort</b>	Improved ventilation (Part F); Avoiding overheating (Part O)  Fire safety, Grenfell report	Air quality Daylighting	
<b>Water</b>	110 litres per person per day	100 litres pppd SUDs  Solutions to water and nutrient neutrality	90 litres pppd Water re-use and recycling
<b>Nature</b>	Biodiversity Net Gain	Environmental Net Gain	
<b>Sustainable placemaking</b>	Part S, electric charging	Design of sites for active travel	Location and design to reduce transport emissions

# Cleantech homes



	2025-2030	2030-2035
<b>TARGET:</b>	Future Homes Standard 2025: 75% reduction in operational emissions	Future Regulatory change 2030: a possible next step
<b>POSSIBLE METHODS OF DELIVERY:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heat pumps</li> <li>• PV</li> <li>• Increased use of heat networks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce peak loads with SMART controls and battery storage</li> <li>• Enable lower bills</li> <li>• Target building performance</li> </ul>



# Healthy, safe and comfortable

	Up to 2025	From 2025 to 2030
<b>TARGET:</b>	Better human experience	
<b>POSSIBLE METHOD OF DELIVERY:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Part F</li> <li>• Part O</li> <li>• Building safety</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daylight</li> <li>• Air quality</li> </ul>



# Water

	From 2025	From 2030
<b>TARGET:</b>	100 litres (per person per day) SUDs	90 litres
<b>POSSIBLE METHOD OF DELIVERY:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Product innovation e.g. air boost showers</li> <li>• Solutions to water and nutrient neutrality in water</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elements of water recycling and reuse</li> <li>• Solutions to water and nutrient neutrality in water</li> </ul>





# Embodied carbon

	2025-2030	2030-2035
<b>TARGET:</b>	Reduction of 15-35% by 2030?	Reduction of 40-60% by 2035?
<b>POSSIBLE METHODS OF DELIVERY:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Timber frame and design efficiency</li><li>• Lower carbon concrete, steel, asphalt and brick</li><li>• Reduction in waste on sites</li><li>• More local purchasing</li></ul>	

# On-site construction activities

	From 2030	From 2035
<b>TARGET:</b>	Phaseout of purchased diesel	Phaseout of all onsite diesel including contractors
<b>POSSIBLE METHODS TO DELIVERY:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early move to HVO, focus on groundworks, phase out of diesel generators and switch to REGO-backed site electricity supplies</li> <li>• Longer term move to hydrogen and electric plant</li> </ul>	



# Nature

	From 2025	From 2030
Target	<p>Bedding in of 10% Biodiversity Net Gain</p> <p>Onsite nature measures including swift bricks and hedgehog highways</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review 10% BNG</li> <li>• Environmental net gain - <b><i>expand the net gain approaches used for biodiversity to include wider natural capital benefits, such as flood protection, recreation and improved water and air quality.</i></b></li> </ul>





# Sustainable places



## From 2025

Design of sites for active travel

## From 2030

Location and design of sites to reduce transport emissions and create more local living



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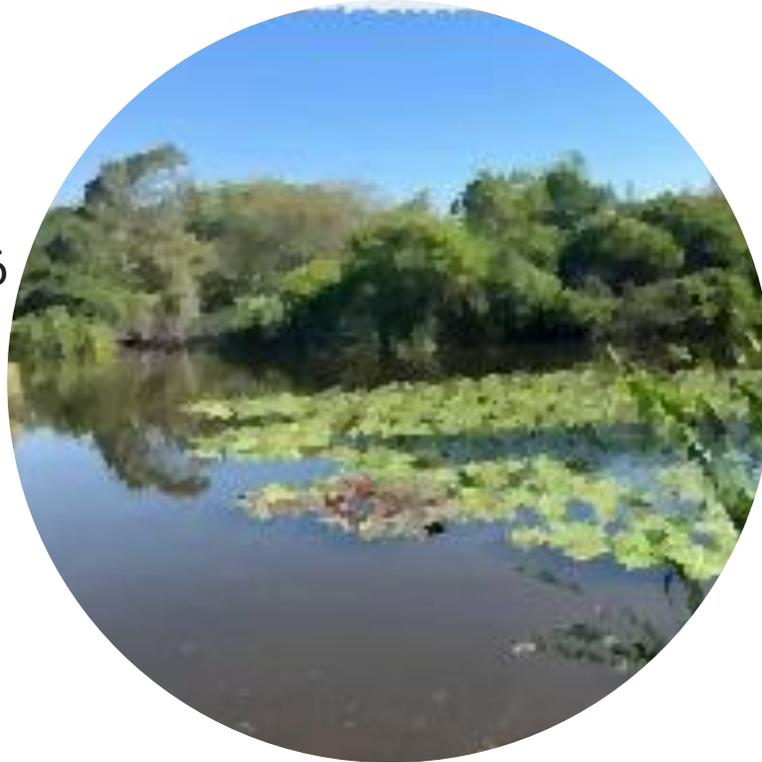
**Project update**

# Biodiversity net gain

- BNG mandatory for new applications for major developments in February and small sites from April.
- Widely supported in principle, but notable issues remain

## Issues

- Clarity around guidance
- Concern with offsite market
- Responsibilities of Local Authorities to police via S106
- Difficult to deliver on small sites
- Quality assurance of offsite providers
- Rules around phased developments



## Tools and outcomes

- Guidance and signposting
- Process flow
- BNG Unit finder
- Offsets checklist
- Coordinated communications
- BNG Implementation Board

# Whole life carbon

## Preparing the sector for mainstream measurement

- Sector needs to coalesce around consistent reporting of whole life carbon to define the reduction pathway and measure progress
- Possibility of regulation, but important step either way.

### Workstreams

1. Development of conventions and simple tool
2. Measurement and disclosure – pilot programme
3. Comparative study – low carbon options
4. Support EPD data being available and easily comparable.



# Low carbon homes demonstrator projects

- 6 site visits in last 6 months
- 19 case studies published
- Lessons learned published in demonstrators digest



Overview of Project and Specification

Key learnings

Performance evaluation

The numbers

**Location:** Land North of A4130 Mersey Way, Didcot, Oxfordshire, OX11 7AD

**Developer:** Croudace Homes

**Number of units:** 6 flats and 4 houses

**Aim(s) of Project:** This Project is a Trial project to meet Future Homes Standards. Croudace is committed to building new homes that are future-proofed with low-carbon heating and world-leading levels of energy efficiency.

**Construction method:** Masonry with 100mm (houses) or 125mm (apartments) of insulation & a 50mm cavity

**Energy Compliance method:** SAP 2012

**Overheating compliance method:** NA

**Construction start:** September 2021

**Construction finish:** July 2023

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# Future Homes Standard Implementation Board

- Develop a **shared timeline** for Future Homes Standard implementation, anticipating what needs to be done, by whom and when
- **Monitor progress** against that timeline and maintaining a dashboard of issues
- **Recommend how critical enablers** should be deployed by whom
- **Identify gaps and interdependencies** and facilitate or commission work where needed
- Provide a mechanism for **feedback between industry and government**
- **Anticipate risks** that may prevent successful implementation and recommend mitigating actions
- Establish **implementation or expert groups** as required.
- **Identify communications gaps** including sharing of best practice across the industry, especially with SMEs



# Future Homes Standard Implementation Groups

## Heat pumps

- Forecast numbers (supply and skills)
- Guidance for site managers, designers, assessors, installers

## Consumer

- Consumer journey best practice
- Guidance for sales teams and buyers

## Fabric

- Identified information transfer (SAP-Designer-onsite)
- To create best practice guide to ensure onsite compliance and sensible design assumptions
- To determine how to develop and share viable details for microbuilders.

## Building performance evaluation

- To be convened

## Grid and demand flexibility

- Assessing ADMD calculation to recognise low carbon technologies
- To explore loadshifting/battery storage

## Home Energy Model

- Initial meeting: raising key concerns and expectations

## Heat Networks

- To provide clarification on regulation and clear guidancePo

## Ventilation

- Programme to be developed



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