



# Helsington Community Land Trust

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Dear trust members and parish residents,

As you know, following a housing needs survey commissioned by the Parish Council in 2008, Helsington Community Land Trust was set up by members of the Parish Council and community to provide affordable homes to meet local need caused by the huge differential between local pay and local property prices and rents. We are pleased to be part of a national trend towards community led development with communities in Cumbria leading the way. For example,

Lyvennet Community Trust, Crosby Ravensworth <http://lyvennetcommunitytrust.org> 10 affordable rented homes, 7 self build plots,

Keswick Community Housing Trust, [www.keswickcommunityhousingtrust.co.uk](http://www.keswickcommunityhousingtrust.co.uk)  
37 rented and shared ownership homes

National CLT Network website [www.communitylandtrusts.org.uk](http://www.communitylandtrusts.org.uk)

As you will be aware through our community consultation, we have submitted an application for what we believe will be an affordable, high quality sensitively designed scheme of three rented and two shared ownership homes. We therefore continue to invite expressions of interest through the attached form which will enable people to apply to register an Interest. As a community member or shareholder and supporter of the Trust we are asking if you could pass on the form to any local people you know who would like to be considered for a CLT home once the scheme is built. This could be anyone currently living or working in the parish, or someone who has had to move out of the parish due to lack of affordable housing and would like an opportunity to return or neighbouring rural Parishes. This form is also available on the Trust web site [www.hclt.org.uk](http://www.hclt.org.uk)

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