

Scottish Government Affordable Housing Supply Programme 2015/16

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“Making sure everyone in Scotland has access to good quality housing is a vital part of the Scottish Government’s drive to secure economic growth, promote social justice, strengthen communities and tackle inequality.”

Minister for Housing and Welfare 30 September 2014

Five Year Target to March 2016

- Deliver 30,000 additional affordable homes.
- Including 20,000 social homes, of which 5,000 will be council homes.
- Supported by £1.70 billion of SG funding over five years.

Progress

- 22,762 affordable homes delivered.
- 15,903 of these for social rent - 80% of our social rent target.
- 3,700 council homes.

Council House Build Programme

The aim of the Council House Build Programme - introduced in April 2009 – was to incentivise local authorities to begin building new homes –

- 2009-10 almost £50 million allocated to 23 councils to build 2,297 homes.
- In July 2010, an additional £30 million was allocated to build a further 1,001 homes.
- In September 2011, as part of the Innovation and Investment Fund, £35 million was allocated to local authorities to build a further 1,172 council homes.

Resource Planning for Councils

- 2012 a resource planning approach was adopted, by bringing together the council and Registered Social Landlord (RSL) funding streams into one budget for the first time.
- enabled each council to exercise its strategic role more flexibly, and to put forward to Government a programme of social and affordable housing developments, based on their Local Housing Strategy.

Resource Planning Process & Procedures

- Detailed guidance notes published.
- Annual Programme Agreements.
- Wider Benefits.
- New IT System (HARP)

Funding 2015/16

- AHSP budget for 2015/16 is over £390m.
- £300m allocated to local authorities.
- Future Resources - minimum resource planning assumption for the three years to March 2019.



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