Construction Skills through Regeneration Programme.

# Second Call for Expressions of Interest from Bloxwich Developers and Landowners to bring forward proposals for Housing Development.

**Introduction**

The Construction Skills through Regeneration (CStR) programme is one of the initiatives being delivered by Walsall Council and partners, funded through the Governments Town Deal programme for Bloxwich.

This second call for proposals seeks Expressions of Interest (EOI) from Landowners, Developers and Registered Social Landlords (RSLs) who have land within the Bloxwich Town Deal area ([maps on the website](https://go.walsall.gov.uk/business/regeneration-and-investment/bloxwich-and-walsall-town-deal/about-town-deal#maps)), with the potential, subject to the approval of gap funding, to deliver new housing.

This includes existing derelict sites, the re-purposing of garage sites, the expansion of existing part developed sites and adapting existing housing blocks or utilising garage sites to create new / additional homes.

Applicants into this programme are requested to set out:

* The details of any known financial barriers or viability gaps.
* Where unknown, the feasibility works, or ground assessments required (with cost estimates) to establish the scope and value of viability gaps.
* The permissions in place or required e.g. planning.
* The timeframes envisaged and the housing outputs achievable.

Applicants will also be asked to agree to further discussing how their projects contractors could maximise the benefits of using local supply chains, together with assisting Walsall College with the delivery of any appropriate work experience, training or apprenticeship opportunities etc.

As part of promoting the benefits of utilising the local\* supply chain, Walsall Council has developed an online platform detailing local suppliers which is shared publicly on our website, accessible through. [Walsall Local Supply Chain Directory.](https://app.powerbi.com/links/2XiyhDLZ1M?ctid=5ddc79c7-7e69-428f-ba30-84b24a1ad994&pbi_source=linkShare)

The team supporting this programme are happy to answer questions and provide information and advice to support your application/s. They can be contacted by emailing CSTR@walsall.gov.uk or calling 01922 650935.

\* Local includes Bloxwich & Walsall Town Deal areas and the wider Borough of Walsall, for further advice, please refer to the [maps on the website](https://go.walsall.gov.uk/business/regeneration-and-investment/bloxwich-and-walsall-town-deal/about-town-deal#maps).

**Funding Available**

There is up to £2m available to support housing developments across the Bloxwich Town Deal area and we are keen to support the construction of as many new homes as possible.

The funding to be provided will be based on the applications received and the viability gaps that are evidenced. Applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

**Accessing the fund**

In order to access the fund, applicants are required in the first instance to complete the Expression of Interest form below and provide answers to all questions before submitting a completed form to CSTR@walsall.gov.uk

**The Application form to be completed is set out below……**

# Construction Skills through Regeneration Programme – Expression of Interest Application

# About the Applicant Organisation

**Organisation registered address:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Is this the location of the project?**  Yes[ ]  No[ ]

If no, provide the address of the project: Click or tap here to enter text.

**Organisation phone number:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Organisation email:**  Click or tap here to enter text.

**Senior person 1 responsible full name:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Senior person 1 responsible contact email:**  Click or tap here to enter text.

**Senior person 2 responsible phone number:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Senior person 2 responsible position:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Company registration number, if applicable:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Company VAT number, if applicable:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Date of incorporation of organisation, if applicable:** Click or tap to enter a date.

If incorporated within the last 12 months, does your organisation consider they have:

1. Robust financial systems and;
2. financial reserves or sufficient capital resources in place to support delivery

Yes[ ]  No[ ]

If no, contact the CStR team for advice.

If you are an individual, do you have sufficient funds and resources in place to support delivery, as grant payments are paid in arrears on evidenced expenditure.

Yes[ ]  No[ ]

If no, contact the CStR team for advice.

**Have you, or any associated organisations, previously delivered similar projects?**

Yes[ ]  No[ ]

If yes, please provide details: Click or tap here to enter text.

**Was this with the benefit of using or having been awarded public sector funding?**

Yes[ ]  No[ ]

If yes, please provide details: Click or tap here to enter text.

1. **About the project**

**Where will the work be carried out? \*** Include the full address and postcode.

Click or tap here to enter text.

*\*Activities of the project can only be delivered within the Bloxwich Town Area, see link for the maps on the first page.*

**Site area (Ha):** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Ownership / occupation:** Click or tap here to enter text.

Please confirm that you either have a legal interest in the property already or have entered into a binding legal agreement to acquire such an interest as part of a scheme, prior to drawing down grant? If you don’t have ownership or interest in the land, you must state the purpose of your application and who has the ownership of the land you wish to develop.

**Existing / former use of asset:**  Click or tap here to enter text.

**Existing condition of asset:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Will planning permission be required?** Yes[ ]  No[ ]  Already in place[ ]

**If planning permission is already in place, or has been submitted, please provide the Planning Application Reference Number:**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**If planning permission is needed and not in place, what is the timeline for obtaining planning permission?**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**What other regulatory permissions will be required (e.g., building regulations) and what are the timelines for obtaining these permissions?**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**Are there any other constraints which need to be considered affecting timeframes?**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**What other options to progress the project have been considered? Why is this the best option?**

Click or tap here to enter text.

#  ****Project brief****

**In no more than 500 words, please provide a description of the project:**

What is the project looking to achieve?

What works are required? e.g. demolition, remediation, relocation of services, conversions, improvements, stabilisation etc.

Nature and type of units to be delivered – e.g. apartments, houses, affordable etc.

Timeframe for delivery of the site, assuming grant funding is made available.

If available, please provide a site layout plan.

Click or tap here to enter text.

# ****Project Cost Estimates****

**Total project cost:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Estimated Completion Value:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Gap funding requested from the**

**CStR grant (the identified viability gap):** Click or tap here to enter text.

Please provide outline details of what the funding gap/s consist of and how these were arrived at / calculated. Max 500 words.

If there are additional reports or pieces of work that have been carried out in relation to this then please provide these separately.

Do you require support or further feasibility / ground assessments etc. to assess / calculate the funding gap? If so, please include this within this section, setting out what’s required.

Click or tap here to enter text.

#  Project Outputs

**Indicate which proposed outputs your project could generate:**

**Key Output**

Please confirm if you can deliver new residential units, conversions, or improvements:

New units Yes[ ]  No[ ]

Conversions Yes[ ]  No[ ]

Improvements Yes[ ]  No[ ]

**Supplementary Outputs**

Would you be willing to engage with Walsall Council to discuss the potential for Learning and Skills opportunities as part of your proposed housing development.

For example, Work Experience placements.

Yes[ ]  No[ ]

Would you be willing to discuss the potential for utilising the local supply chains with Walsall Council? Yes[ ]  No[ ]

Click or tap here to enter text.

# Applicant Declaration

I confirm the details supplied in this Expression of Interest (EOI) form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge (check box to confirm) [ ]

**Your name:**  Click or tap here to enter text.

**Your position:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Date:** Click or tap to enter a date.

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