



ACT's statement of principle on community led housing.

- **ACT believes that:**
 - sustainable, vibrant communities have fair housing at their heart.
 - Access to appropriate, good quality housing is a keystone for thriving communities.
 - Housing solutions can meet social, economic and environmental challenges and mitigate climate change impacts.
 - Good housing will meet a range of community needs and aspirations, supporting a healthy, mixed community.
- **ACT supports communities to take action on affordable, fit for purpose housing which meets locally identifiable needs through:**
 - Agreeing what is needed, so a community can focus on finding the best housing solution to address that need.
 - Reclaiming empty or underused property for community use to enhance local public realm as well as providing new homes.
 - Building new homes to high environmental standards meeting the needs of the current population without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.
- **ACT will champion locally led housing development and will work with strategic partners to achieve scalable solutions.**
 - We will help communities use their local knowledge to find the best solutions to their housing needs.
 - We will ensure that communities can access the professional support they need as they develop their ideas.
 - We will hold partners to account and continue to advocate on behalf of communities so that their housing needs are met.

ACT as an organisation will continue to work towards assisting communities to develop locally led housing solutions by:

- Working with partners to make the case for affordable, sustainable local housing provision.
- Advocate at local and national level for rural housing
- Seek resources to support this work internally and with communities.