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Subject: Local Council training: Housing viability update - Wednesday 16 September, 4.15-5.15 pm
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Dear Clerks

As Town/Parish Councils that are located with Cornwall Local Plan Affordability (Value) Zones 4 or 5, we would like to invite all local council clerks and councillor representatives to join us on **Wednesday 16 September, 4.15-5.15 pm** for a briefing - to share the outcome of a piece of Housing Viability work recently undertaken that affects your parishes. Please join Matthew Brown, Strategic Planning Manager, and Nick Marsden, Affordable Housing Delivery Manager, for this important update and to learn about the actions Cornwall Council is proposing to take in response to the findings.

The Housing Viability work was commissioned as a result of a number of national studies, together with local anecdotal evidence, indicating that the viability of housing delivery has been becoming increasingly challenging locally and nationally. The study reviewed a range of different types/sizes of residential development across all five of Cornwall's Housing Affordability Zones (as were established in the Cornwall Local Plan and reflect house prices in different parts of Cornwall). The work also included engagement with the local development industry. This update is to summarise the review conclusions and set out a number of short-term measures being proposed to help alleviate viability pressures where they are being felt most.

This email provides the joining link – there is no need to book and places are not limited for each council. **Clerks/Chairs - Please share this email with your local councillors so they can attend if they wish.** If you have any questions about the event, please email positiveplanning@cornwall.gov.uk

This will be an online event via Teams and the link to join is below. In accordance with Council policy, please do not join using an AI Assistant or bot, thank you.

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/376819346371153?p=DRhXOVjYBBQXJZiP8B>

Meeting ID: 376 819 346 371 153
Passcode: tT6Eb6ra

The presentations from this event will be made available afterwards on our [Local Council Planning Training](#) webpage.