

Case Study: Rural Affordable Housing development in Willingham



Summary

Daniels End is a development on the northern edge of Willingham, accessed through a previous affordable housing development with good connections to the rest of the village.

The site was originally purchased from a private landowner. The scheme was developed by AJ Lee (Developments) and taken over by Cambridge & County Developments on behalf of the CHS Group.

The scheme had a planning agreement in place to ensure that the properties remain available for affordable rent and shared ownership in perpetuity despite Willingham being too large to be classed a Designated Rural Area.

The planning application was submitted without a Housing Needs Survey. At the time the Housing Register identified 66 households with a local connection to Willingham. The scheme mix was agreed with the Housing Development Officer at South Cambridgeshire District Council. A Housing Needs Survey was undertaken in November 2015. This confirmed that need had grown (82 households).

Project Information

No of properties:	12 including 6 for rent and 6 shared ownership
Property types:	Rental: 2 x 1 bed maisonettes; 4 x 2 bed houses Shared Ownership: 4 x 2 bed houses; 2 x 3 bed houses
Housing needs survey completed	November 2015
Planning permission granted:	January 2016
Start on site:	September 2016
Completion:	March 2017



The community

Willingham is a large village with a population of over 4,000. It has an excellent range of facilities including a primary school and medical practice together with a range of shops, pubs and recreational facilities.

Partners

- Cambridge Housing Society
- South Cambridgeshire District Council
- Cambridge and County Developments
- Willingham Parish Council
- Cambridgeshire ACRE

Contact us

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