Feedback on Lambeth Local Plan Review Issues Consultation 2017

Self-build and custom-build housing



Self and custom-build housing is built or commissioned by its future residents for their own use. We are required to maintain a local register of people who wish to acquire land to build their own homes. The Local Plan needs to address the new priority given to self and custom-build housing by the government whilst ensuring all types of local housing need are met.

What you told us

- Self-build and custom-build plots should be made available only to those with a connection to Lambeth to benefit local residents and the existing community.
- Small and awkwardly shaped plots would be the most suitable type of sites for the delivery of self-build or custom-build housing.
- This type of housing should be supported where it makes efficient use of land.

What our evidence tells us

- By May 2018 724 individuals and five housing associations had signed up to the Lambeth self-build register.
- Of these individuals, 158 currently live in Lambeth. When asked what if any connection applicants have to the borough, the most common response given is 'friends'.
- There are currently no restrictions on who can join the Lambeth self-build register and there is no London-wide coordination of registers. It is likely that some of those registered in Lambeth have also expressed an interest in self-build in other London boroughs.





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What we are proposing to do

- Support self-build and custom-build housing in Lambeth.
- Ensure that self-build and custom-build housing demonstrates that the residential density of the site has been optimised and other planning policy requirements are met.
- Consider introducing eligibility criteria for the Lambeth self-build register.

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Comments should be made between 22 October and 17 December 2018.

