



# New affordable homes for Calvert Green

**Highbarrow Holdings is looking to bring forward plans to deliver new affordable homes for local people in Calvert Green. This follows the Housing Need Survey, which we conducted earlier in the year and shows there is a significant need for new affordable homes in the village.**

The proposed site is located on land at Dunsty Hill Farm, south of Cotswolds Way and adjacent to Perry Hill. We are proposing to build 18 new homes, all of which will be delivered as affordable homes for people who can demonstrate a local connection to Calvert Green.

## Have your say

Before we finalise our plans and submit a planning application, we want to ensure the local community has a chance to view the plans, ask questions and provide feedback. The current social distancing measures prevent us from holding face-to-face consultation events, so we are instead undertaking a digital consultation. There are lots of ways to find out more and get involved:

- 1 Complete and return the FREEPOST feedback form attached to this leaflet**
- 2 Attend our Virtual Village Hall consultation event from 5pm – 7pm on Wednesday 14th October (full details overleaf)**
- 3 Contact a member of the team using the contact details provided**

## Housing need survey

We recently instructed arc4, a specialist housing consultancy, to carry out a Housing Need Survey in the village. The survey was designed to inform our proposals for the site, whilst also allowing us to build on our understanding of the wider housing market and the need for affordable homes in Calvert Green.

The survey was sent to all residential addresses within the village at the start of June to provide an opportunity for residents to have their say on local housing needs. The results of the survey show that there is a need for 21 new homes in Calvert Green and our proposals seek to directly meet this need.



## New homes

We are proposing to build 18 new homes, which will be a mix of 2-bed & 3-bed houses and a small number of 1-bed flats – each with their own garden. All of the homes will be delivered as affordable housing for people who can demonstrate a local connection to Calvert Green. The homes will be Discounted Market Sales, which means they could be purchased with 20% discount against market value.

## Access

The site will be accessed via a new entrance off Perry Hill. The entrance has been designed in accordance with Buckinghamshire Council's highway guidelines to ensure it is a safe distance from the junction off Cotswold Way. We are also proposing footpath links from the new development to connect the site to the centre of Calvert Green, including the Village Hall and Brickworx Bar.

## Design

The homes will be a mix of 2-bed & 3-bed houses and a small number of 1-bed flats, each with their own garden. The new homes have been carefully located to be within walking distance of the village and its shop, community facilities and bus service. The layout is sensitively placed into the landscape by:

- Using an existing tree belt as a backdrop and with new planting to give a sense of houses nestling amongst the trees.
- Using the natural slope of the land as part of a 'Sustainable Urban Drainage' system with a new pond to alleviate existing flooding during heavy rainfall.
- The new houses will be set back from the Perry Hill with a generous landscaped buffer.

The homes are inspired by local rural buildings:

- Houses will be arranged around courtyards reminiscent of traditional farmyards.
- Houses will be simple in form with sloping roofs.
- Traditional red bricks and roofing tiles will provide the predominant external materials.

Car parking will be provided within each plot and screened from public view by boundary walls and fences.

## New community allotments

As part of the proposed development, we are also proposing to deliver 10-20 new allotments (subject to size) for community use. The allotments could be gifted to the Parish Council, who would then manage their use. We believe they could provide a range of environmental and social benefits, such as encouraging a new hobby and allowing residents to grow their own food. If you would be interested in applying for a new allotment, please email [tmartin@quatro-pr.co.uk](mailto:tmartin@quatro-pr.co.uk) for more information.

## Get in touch

If you have any questions or would like to speak to a member of the project team you can contact us by:

✉ [tmartin@quatro-pr.co.uk](mailto:tmartin@quatro-pr.co.uk)

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## Virtual Village Hall



We will be holding a Virtual Village Hall event from **5pm – 7pm** on **Wednesday 14th October** and you can register your attendance by visiting [www.tinyurl.com/CalvertGreen](http://www.tinyurl.com/CalvertGreen)

The online consultation event will provide an opportunity to meet the team, ask questions and for you to provide feedback. If you are unable to attend the Virtual Village Hall, the event will be recorded and available to view afterwards.

## Have your say!

Before we finalise the plans, we want to ensure local residents can view the plans and provide feedback. Please complete and return this form via FREEPOST (no stamp required).

**About you** (please complete your details below)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Do you support new affordable homes for local people in Calvert Green?**

Yes       No       Don't know

**2. What is your view of the proposed design?**

Positive     Negative     Unsure

**3. Are you supportive of new allotments for community use?**

Yes       No       Don't know

**4. Do you think the proposed development will reflect the local character of the area?**

Yes       No       Don't know

**5. Do you have any further comments?**

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