

# The Community Right to Build



## **If you and your neighbours had the power to decide, how would you develop your community?**

What homes would you build? Or perhaps your neighbourhood needs business premises, a community hall or a sports facility?

The Government is acting to remove the red tape and bureaucracy that hold you and your neighbours back from improving your local area to make it a thriving, vibrant place to live.

The Community Right to Build is part of the Government's drive to create the 'Big Society'.

It's only right that you make the decisions about how your local area should grow.

### **The Community Right to Build will:**

- Allow communities to get together and take forward developments for new homes, shops and facilities in their area.
- Allow a community organisation to go ahead with development without the need for an application for planning permission, if there is overwhelming community support for the development and minimum criteria are met.

But the Community Right to Build won't be used to expand the size of communities by more than 10 per cent over a 10 year period.

### **How you can get involved**

The details of how the Community Right to Build will work are being developed.

We want you to tell us how to get it right, and we want to know about your community development projects and ideas as well.

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