

Latest news from Northamptonshire Rural Housing Association

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CELEBRATING HOUSING DAY

National Housing Day celebrated the positive impact which social housing has on people across the UK, and we were pleased to share stories about our residents such as David Butcher. He was so pleased to be offered his ideal property in Long Buckby, near to his son, he moved in within 48 hours!

HOUSES BECOME HOMES

Residents have now moved into the affordable homes we've completed in Braunston. Twelve properties were developed during Phase 3 of the development, bringing the total number of affordable homes in Braunston to 32.

GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT

The announcement of the Government's planned £2bn investment in affordable housing is excellent news, but specific attention must be paid to the needs of rural communities which are facing their own housing crisis. We welcome the Government's investment and hope this provides new opportunities to work with our local authority partners to deliver genuinely affordable, high quality homes across rural Northamptonshire.

http://www.northamptonshirerha.org.uk/news/government-investment-signals-a-better-future/

FIRE SAFETY

The recent Grenfell Tower tragedy has been a wake-up call for all landlords, creating a stark reminder of the responsibilities they have to their residents. Fire safety has become a greater concern than ever before. Although we're not directly affected as we don't own or manage any high rise properties, we're assuring all residents that their safety remains a top priority. While we await the new fire safety regulations, we've been reiterating our safety advice and continuing to maintain our high standards for the repairs and maintenance of our existing homes, as well as for our new developments.

New developments in the pipeline:

This year, our Braunston development has been completed and several more are in the pipeline.

YARWELL

Work is underway on the development of five homes for affordable rent and four for shared ownership. A special shared ownership event is planned for February.

LITTLE ADDINGTON

A planning decision is expected next month for our first development in the village, comprising for two homes for rent and four for shared ownership. It is hoped that work can start on site next Spring.

BRIGSTOCK

A planning application will be submitted soon to deliver one home for affordable rent and five for shared ownership in Brigstock. We would like to be on site next Summer.

WALGRAVE

Planning permission has been achieved for Phase 2, comprising four homes for affordable rent and two for shared ownership, along with some for Local Market sale.

