

## Chivenor Cross, Braunton Local Connection Criteria

**Where affordable homes are part of a new build development of properties the Local Connection Criteria is determined during the planning process and is applicable to people wanting to rent or purchase a new home on that development.**

<b>Allocation</b>	<p>Allocation of affordable dwellings for those in Housing Need* and who meet the Local Connection requirement (see below)</p> <p>*Defined as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- a household is currently occupying accommodation that is sub-standard or unsuitable for its requirements, <u>and</u></li> <li>- has an income that is too low to either buy or rent accommodation on the open market</li> </ul> <p><b>Qualifying Criteria</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A person has a Local Connection; and</li> <li>• It is agreed by the Council that the person has demonstrated a local connection to a reasonable satisfaction</li> </ul>
<b>Local Connection</b>	<p>In the first instance priority will be given to residents with a <b>local connection</b> to the parishes of Braunton and Heanton Punchardon from <b>12<sup>th</sup> July 2017</b>.</p> <p>After one month rented/two months affordable ownership (<b>12<sup>th</sup> September 2017</b>) from the initial advertisement we will be able to consider applicants from the adjoining parishes of <u>Georgeham, Ashford, West Down and Marwood</u></p> <p>After a further period of one month rented/two months affordable ownership (<b>12<sup>th</sup> November 2017</b>) we are able to consider applicants from the North Devon local authority area.</p> <p>Persons with a <b>local connection</b> are those who can demonstrate;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Living or working on a permanent basis for a continuous period of five years or more immediately prior to being offered the Affordable Dwelling; or</li> <li>▪ Current employment in an agricultural related activity, the emergency services, a professional healthcare or social worker or a primary or secondary school teacher.</li> <li>▪ Having strong established and continuous links with the Parish/District by reason birth or family* <u>and</u> in addition still have a parent or guardian living there, <u>despite</u> having moved away from the Parish. *usually mother, father, brother, sister, son or daughter.</li> </ul>

*This information has been taken from the Section 106 Agreement which is a planning condition.*