



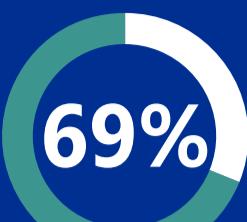
# You've Got The Power

People care about their neighbourhoods and want a say in how they evolve



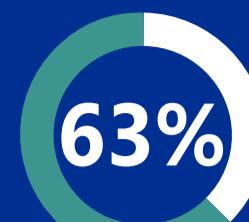
Community Life Survey 2013/14

of citizens have a  
**strong sense of  
belonging**  
to their  
neighbourhood



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of citizens think it is  
**important**  
for them personally  
**to feel they can  
influence decisions**  
in their local area



British Social Attitudes Survey 2013

of citizens say they would  
**be more supportive** of  
house building if local  
**people were given  
greater control and say**  
over what gets built

## Communities have a set of powers known as Community Rights

### #CommunityRights



**Our Place** helps residents work together with councillors, service providers, businesses and voluntary and community organisations to solve local problems and improve local services. Our Place ensures that public money is being spent in the ways local people want.

The **Community Right to Bid** helps to protect locally important community assets. Communities can nominate any local building or land they love as an 'asset of community value' and then, if it comes up for sale, they have six months to raise the funds to buy it.

The **Tenant Empowerment Programme** supports social housing tenants to engage in, manage or control local services. It provides training, funding and support that enables tenants to, for instance, manage a service, or take control of their housing through the Right to Manage.

**Neighbourhood Planning** enables local communities to shape the places where they live and work. Residents are directly able to decide what type of development is needed, where it should go and what it should look like.

**Community Shares** enable residents to invest financially in community projects. By buying shares and becoming part-owners of a business, local people can become supporters, volunteers and advocates, and projects get much needed funding to get started and become financially sustainable.

## You're taking control ...



**1500+**  
assets of community  
value listed



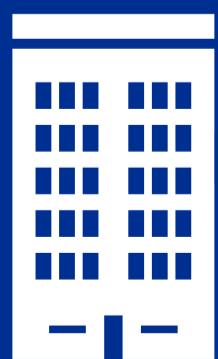
**1200+**  
neighbourhood  
plans underway



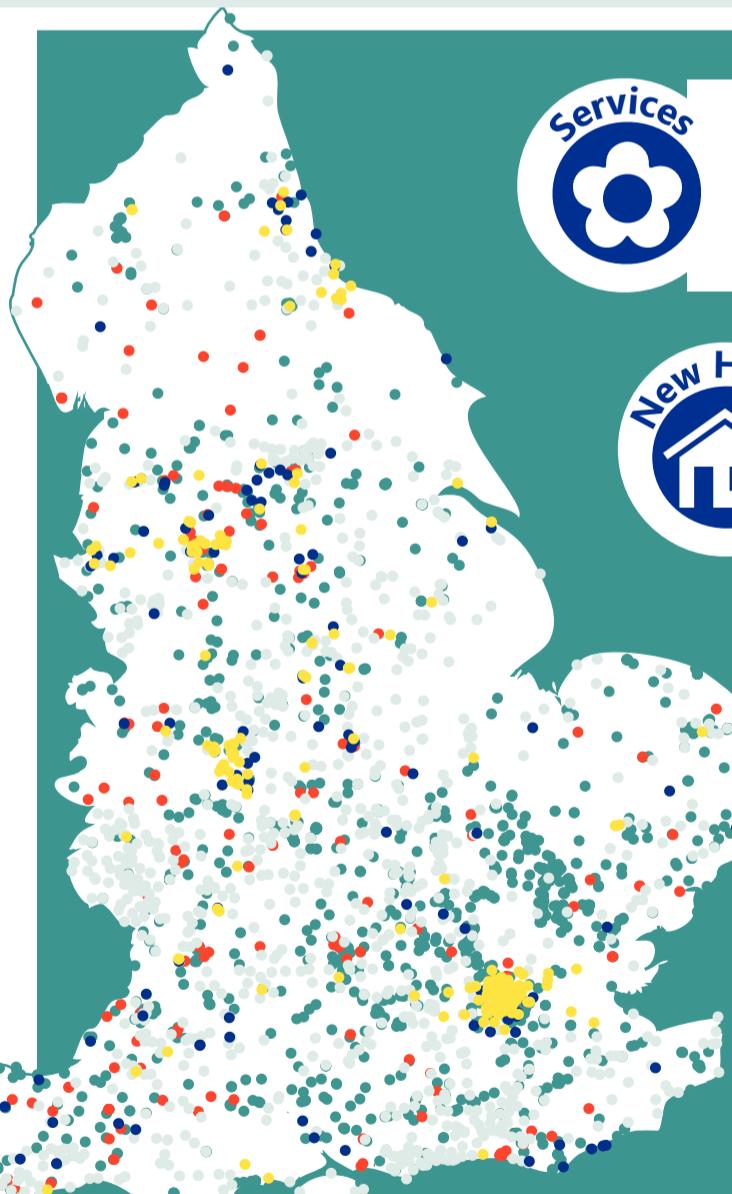
**120**  
Our Place areas  
developing full  
operational plans



**£50m**  
raised in community  
shares since 2012



**90,000**  
people reached by  
the Tenant  
Empowerment Programme



**Writhlington Court** residents in Somerset took on **delivery of their gardening services** from their Landlord, resulting in savings which will go back to local residents.



In **Cringleford**, residents voted in favour of a neighbourhood plan allocating land for approximately **1200 new homes**.



The **One Haverhill** partnership pioneered the Our Place approach, creating **51 new apprenticeships** with potential lifetime **savings of at least £900k**.



The **Ivy House Pub** in London was **bought by its community**, saving it from redevelopment into flats.



**FC United of Manchester** have raised **£1.9m** to help build their new stadium through community shares.

**... and making a real difference across the country**