

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 purchase a new home on that development.



Allocation	Allocation of the affordable dwellings for those who meet the residency requirement and the Local Connection requirement below.
Local connection	<p>Qualifying Person means persons who fall into at least one of the following categories:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) tenants of Registered Providers;(b) people who are on the Council's housing register;(c) people who cannot afford their own home but who are employed by business or public organisations within the County of Somerset or any adjoining County;(d) key workers in the public sector such as teachers nurses and police officers provided that high house prices are affecting recruitment and retention; or(e) first time buyers who could not otherwise afford to buy a house <p>Applicants must meet one of the below categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Persons who have a minimum of one year residence within the Parish of Cheddar• Persons who are employed in the Parish of Cheddar. The employment must be consistent paid employment for a minimum of the last 3 months with an average of 16 hours a week• Persons who have an essential need to live close to another person within the Parish of Cheddar, who has lived continuously in the Parish of Cheddar for a minimum of one year <p>In the event that a property can not be sold to a person under the above categories, the property will be sold to any other Qualifying Person, free from the local connection criteria</p>

If you have any questions regarding the local connection criteria, please get in touch with a member of the Sales team by calling 0800 027 9801 or email newhomes@livewest.co.uk.