

Rural Affordable Housing Development



Woolfardisworthy and Bucks Cross:

18 affordable homes were completed in the summer 2011

This project was faced with a number of obstacles which included

- Protracted site finding process
- Financial downturn in the market which forced the Housing Association to remodel its figures and renegotiate with the landowners
- Last minute planning requirement to move a wind turbine and knock on to the costs of the project
- Torridge District Council allocated grant to both sites to make the project work

Key to the success of this project was that the Parish Council continued to push for the affordable housing despite all the obstacles.

- They instigated a number of meetings where all the parties met together to discuss the problems face to face.
- They got to grips with the process and really understood the detail which enabled them to be involved in the necessary problem solving.
- Ensured that the wider community was aware of the process and remained aware of the importance of affordable housing to the future of the village.

