



Longhope Community Land Trust (CLT) Ltd Membership Form

Longhope CLT is now incorporated as a community benefit society (registration number 8358), and as well as becoming a member, you could provide voluntary help with running the CLT, through for example, joining the board, or by offering some time or expertise.

Surname:	
First Name(s):	
Title:	
Postal address:	
Post Code:	
E-mail address:	
Telephone number:	
Mobile number:	
I live/work in Longhope	Yes/No
I would like to offer the following skills / assistance:	
I am interested in joining the CLT board	Yes/No
The CLT will keep your details electronically in order to conduct our business and for communicating with you. I agree to this.	Yes/No
I would like to apply to be a member of Longhope CLT Ltd, and am enclosing £1 for a membership share	
Signature	Date

Please return this form to: Bill Reay, 1 Meadow Rise, Longhope, GL17 0LY. E-mail: billreay@ymail.com. Tel: 01452 830633.

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What are Community Land Trusts?

Community Land Trusts (CLTs) are being set up across the country to help keep rural communities, such as ours, sustainable. One way to do this is through provision of affordable homes for local people.

By forming a partnership with a Housing Association, the CLT can lead the housing project and generate a long-term income whilst being protected from the risks involved. The community then has a financially viable Trust able to take on future projects for the benefit of that community. The main features about this new way of doing things are:

- **Land ownership.** The CLT owns the housing site in perpetuity for the community and has a long-term lease with the Housing Association
- **Affordable Homes for Local People.** A legally binding agreement ensures that those with a strong local connection have priority for the housing.
- **Access to grant funding.** The creation of the CLT enables government and other grants to be obtained for community led projects.
- **Financial viability.** The CLT obtains an income from ground rents sufficient to cover the Trust's running costs and provide a small income for other projects. The Trust is therefore financially sustainable.
- **Potential for other projects.** The scope of the Trust provides a vehicle for Longhope CLT to own, develop and protect other property and land. Thus, the CLT can help maintain the economic and social sustainability of Longhope and its environs by exploring projects for the benefit of the Community.
- **Democratic.** The Trust is a democratic organisation - with membership open to anyone who lives or works in the Parish of Longhope, or has a strong family connection to Longhope.
- **Membership Shares.** To become a Member of the CLT a minimum investment of £1 is required. No interest or dividend will be due.
- **Investment Shares.** Future projects may be financed by a share issue specifically related to the project. Such shares may pay annual interest on the sum invested at the discretion of the Board.

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