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Dear Sean,

Thank you for your letter of 16 October to Matthew Pennycook MP on behalf of the Steeple and Middle Aston Community Land Trust, regarding community-led housing. I have been asked to reply.

I am grateful to you for writing in regarding this important matter.

The Government recognises that the community-led housing sector delivers a wide range of benefits, including strengthening community participation in local decision-making, engendering community cohesion, achieving high quality design and strengthening the co-operative economy.

We recently consulted on the National Planning Policy Framework, which contained various proposals designed to strengthen support for community-led housing, including changes to the size limit on community-led exception sites and a broadening of the definition of organisations able to deliver community-led housing.

We will consider how the Government may support the growth of the community-led housing sector, both in our response to the consultation and more broadly, to support the delivery of the additional supply that the country needs.

Thank you for taking the time to write.

Yours ever,

BARONESS TAYLOR OF STEVENAGE

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