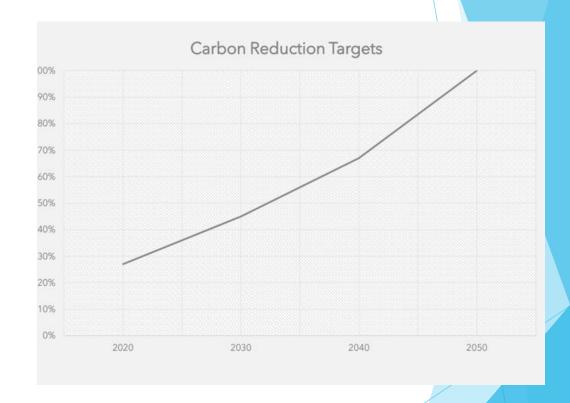
## Alway Resident Meeting

1st March 2023

#### Wider Context

- One of Newport Council's Local Development Plan's key objectives is to ensure adequate supply of housing. To meet this objective, there is a target to deliver approximately 10,350 new homes between 2011 and 2026.
- There are circa 9370 people on the waiting list for social housing in Newport (2021-22)
- The Newport Housing Prospectus (22/23) confirms there is a need for 200no. 1 bedroom properties within the east region of Newport, which includes Alway.
- The Welsh Government has set targets for net zero carbon emissions by 2050 with a cut of 63% by 2030, 89% by 2040. The houses proposed are Net Zero Carbon therefore will assist in reaching these targets.





# Our Work to date in Alway

- In 2020-2021 we carried out an options appraisal, which reviewed the options of doing nothing, major refurbishment or regeneration, which is demolishing existing homes and building new ones.
- The work included carrying out surveys of homes, exploring design and technical options for both refurbishment and regeneration and engaging with residents to find out their views.
- This process led NCH to consider that demolition of homes and building new ones would be the best approach and we are now looking to take this work forward.



# Our Work to date in Alway

- In 2022 and 2023 we progressed more detailed drawings for the proposals at Penkin Hill and Aberthaw Road.
- We arranged 1-1 visits with the residents directly affected by our proposals to discuss their housing needs, ensure that they were informed of the processes involved and the likely timescales.
- We held a Public Engagement Event on the 7<sup>th</sup> of September 2022 to present the drawings to the wider community in Alway.
- We held a second Public Engagement Event on the 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022 to present the updated scheme following the comments we received during the first event. This included information explaining how we had addressed issues raised at the first event.
- We advanced the Statutory Pre-Application Consultation between the 9<sup>th</sup> November and 7th December 2022 to get feedback from local residents, Councillors and Statutory Consultees (i.e. Welsh Water, NRW etc).
- We submitted Planning Applications for both developments in early February 2023.

### Concerns Raised



Privacy and Overlooking



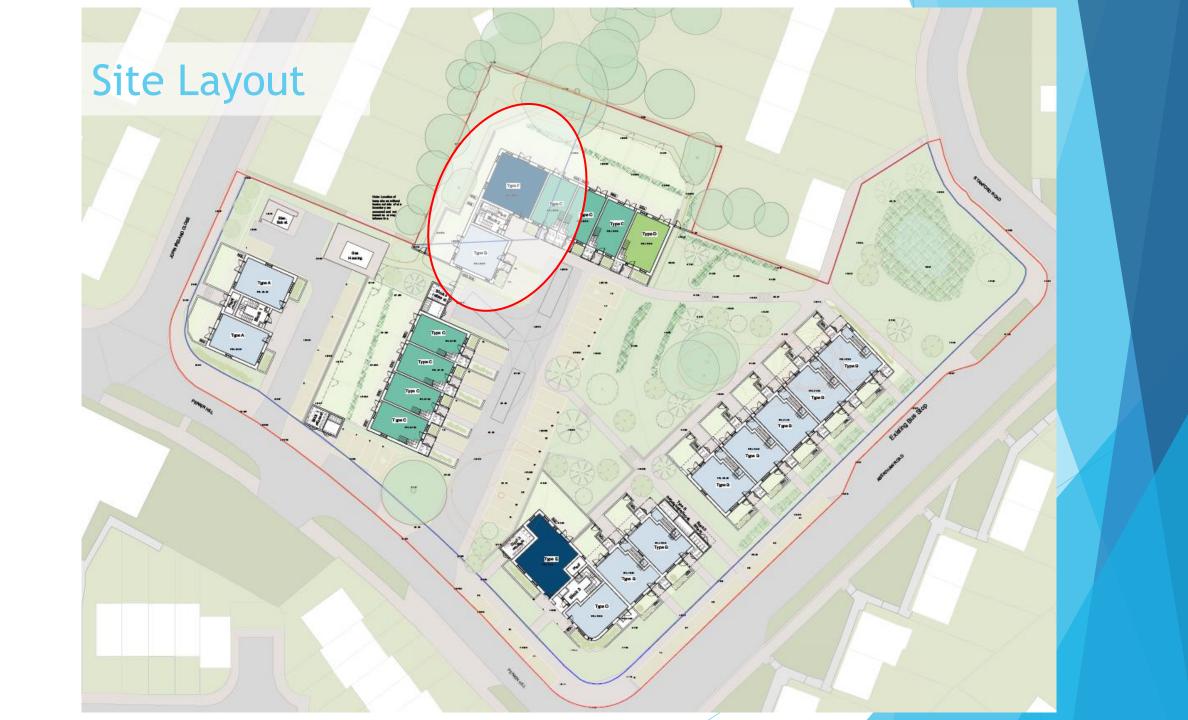
Density of the proposed development



Replacement of Play Area

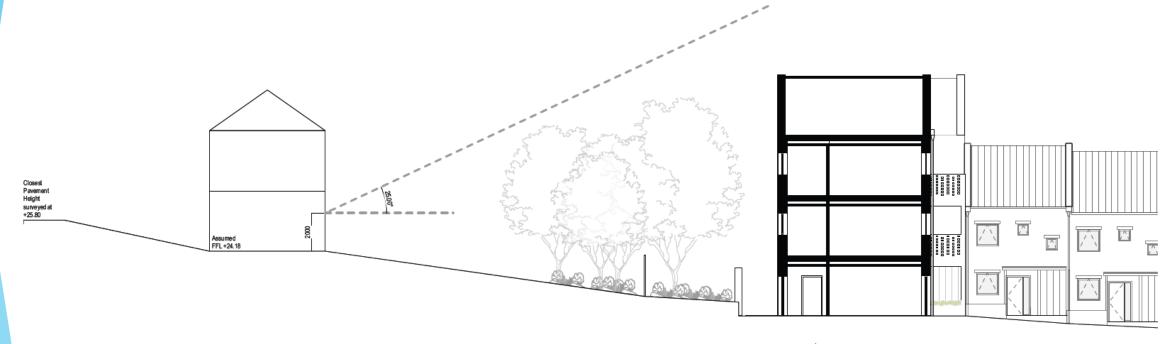


Car Parking



## Privacy and Overlooking

- Cross section of the site demonstrating that the proposals will not impede upon the right to light of residents
- Existing trees will further soften this relationship
- The overall height of the block is similar to the height of the properties on John Ireland Close due to the change in site levels.



# Privacy and Overlooking (Continued)

- The residential block is 23.8m away from the properties on John Ireland Close (beyond 21m minimum distance)
- Despite compliance with the planning requirements, we have changed the roof pitch to reduce the height of the block further.



### Replacement Of Play Area

- Newport City Council have agreed that in order for NCH to build new homes on Penkin Hill, NCH will pay a financial contribution towards a new replacement Play Area in Alway.
- We have advanced extensive consultation with Newport City Council, South Wales Police, Local Community Groups, Alway School and advanced an online survey to consider where the play area should be provided.
- Newport City Homes don't manage play areas so it will be the Council who will build and manage the new facility.
- Liswerry Ponds is considered a good location to serve Alway as a whole it will provide a new high quality play facility for a range of ages.
- Other smaller, more local areas were considered, however these were not supported by the police.

#### Density of the proposed development

#### Planning policy

#### Penkin Hill

26 x 1 Bed Flats

► 6 x 2 Bed Flats

> 7 x 2 Bed Houses

1 x 3 Bed House

Total = 40 Units

Future Wales National Planning Policy states:

'New developments in urban areas should aim to have a density of at least 50 dwellings per hectare (net), with higher densities in more central and accessible locations'

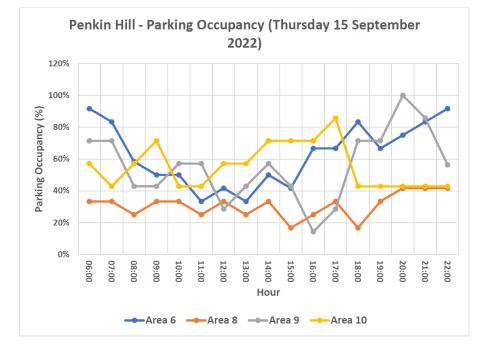
We are providing 57 dwellings per hectare which meets requirements.

#### Car Parking

- Our proposals meet requirements set by Planners.
- Proposals comprise 41 car parking spaces:
  - 1 space per 1 bed property,
  - 1 space per 2 bed property, and
  - 2 spaces for the 3 bed house.
  - 10% of the spaces will have Electric Charging Points
- Welsh Government are seeking to reduce reliance on the private car through increased Active Travel - Local Authorities are required to consider this when making decisions.
- We've advanced a Transport Statement including a parking survey of local parking availability to accompany the planning application which will be considered by Newport City Council as part of the planning application.

### Parking Beat Survey

- The parking beat survey assessed the number of car parking spaces available between 6:00 and 22:00 on Thursday 15th September.
- Confirms that there is availability within the wider area to accommodate parking.





#### SUDS and Ecology



- New developments are required by Welsh Government to provide surface water drainage called 'Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems' (SUDS).
- This is to reduce run off into existing drainage through natural means
- It also promotes biodiversity and improves the street scene by incorporating green spaces.
- The blue areas highlighted where the runoff will flow. Rainwater is expected to only collect in the water basin 1 in every 100 years.