

Action	Description of action No.	Objective	Timeline	Owner	DCC Response
3.1	We will establish a €200m Local Infrastructure Housing Activation Fund, seeking bids from local authorities in conjunction with housing providers in respect of enabling infrastructure for social, affordable rental and private housing delivery on large-scale strategic sites, with the potential to open up lands and deliver housing of the order of 15,000 to 20,000 units by 2019.	To relieve critical infrastructural blockages to enable the delivery of housing on key development sites.  To improve the economic viability and purchaser affordability of new housing projects.	Q3 2016 - Call for proposals Q4 2016 - evaluation and finalisation of approved projects Q1 2017 onward -	DHPCLG, LAs	DCC will bring forward proposals for a number of its lands at the earliest possible time and will collaborate with private developers to accelerate housing delivery on large scale sites.
3.2	We will provide capacity through increased borrowing and access to HFA financing for participating local authorities to provide matching funding for the Local Infrastructure Housing Activation Fund.	As above.	From Q4 2016.	DPER , DoF  HFA, LAs,  DHPCLG	DCC will consider accessing HFA financing for the provision of local infrastructure on its lands.
3.3	The National Treasury Management Agency, through ISIF, will develop proposals to offer competitive financing on a commercial basis, to developers or consortia of developers, to meet onsite and other infrastructure requirements on large development sites.	To facilitate the delivery of on-site infrastructure releasing the delivery of housing on key development sites, thereby improving the economic viability of such developments.	Q3/4 2016	NTMA	
3.4	We will identify and prioritise the 15-20 key pathfinder sites with a proven capability to quickly deliver a significant scaling-up of new homes, in conjunction with local authorities and other stakeholders. Many of these sites will be opened up through LIHAF funds, and other funding and coordination mechanisms.	To deliver significant scale of new homes on key sites in the main urban areas, through coordinated efforts of the DHPCLG's new Housing Delivery Office.	Q3 2016 - key sites identified.  Q4 2016 - initiation of programme for driving delivery of housing.	DHPCLG LAs, AHBs	DCC will engage with new Housing Delivery Office to identify key sites.
3.5	Within the context of the new National Planning Framework, we will prepare a national Land Supply Management Strategy, through which:  • Sites in LA and public ownership will be identified and mapped by a State Lands Management Group, with appropriate lands to be masterplanned to deliver increased mixed-tenure housing, including social and more affordable housing,  • Local authorities will be supported in acquiring housing lands in key developable areas, and  • Strategic opportunities for urban renewal and regeneration will be identified for coordinated action across relevant public sector bodies.	To give a national framework to support the appropriate location of housing across the country.  To ensure an active and healthy supply and market for development land, to identify scope to use State lands for housing and to support coordinated mixed-tenure development on publicly owned lands.	Q4 2016 - Draft of NPF  Q2 2017 - Finalised  NPF	DHPCLG LAs,  OPW, various Departments and Agencies	DCC has identified and mapped its lands.

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3.6	We will legislate to enable larger housing development applications (100+ units) to be made directly to An Bord Pleanála and to extend certain planning permissions that have already benefited from one extension for a further period	To fast-track large-scale residential development planning applications.	Q3/Q4 2016	DHPCLG ,ABP	
3.7	An Bord Pleanála will prioritise the determination of all planning appeals in relation to large-scale housing developments within the 18-week statutory objective period.	To minimise delays to the consideration and determination of large housing developments.	Q3 2016	ABP	
3.8	We will develop and publish an Implementation Plan to prioritise implementation of key recommendations within the An Bord Pleanála review.	To enable An Bord Pleanála to more effectively carry out its mandate.	Q3 2016	DHPCLG , ABP	DCC acknowledges objective.
3.9	We will support the development of on-line planning services for the local authority sector and An Bord Pleanála.	To give legislative underpinning as part of the Planning and Development (Amendment) Bill 2016 and to actively support the roll-out of e-planning in the local authority sector and An Bord Pleanála.	Q4 2016 – enact Planning and Development Amdt Bill 2016.  Q4 2017 – accelerated roll-out of e-planning across local government sector and ABP.	DHPCLG LAs, ABP	DCC acknowledges objective.
3.1	We will implement a “root and branch” review of the planning system, particularly around forecasting, planning and delivering residential development and taking account of the work underway in relation to the development of the National Planning Framework (NPF).	To ensure a more effective, responsive and accessible planning system.	Q1 2017	DHPCLG	
3.11	We will establish a competition to champion best practice, efficient and cost effective design and new approaches to both affordable and quality residential delivery.	To develop innovative systems for the delivery of affordable high quality residential development.	Q3/4 2016 – issue call for proposals and evaluate applications.	DHPCLG	
3.12	SOLAS will update skills forecasts and work with stakeholders to ensure that mainstream and targeted education and training initiatives support the supply of skills required to deliver the Action Plan.	To ensure that a supply of construction workers is available as the residential construction sector expands.	From Q4 2016	DES	