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Newsletter 2



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Highlights from Bristol CLT

Announcement of the sale of 325 Fishponds Road to Bristol CLT

Bristol City Council recently agreed to the sale of 325 Fishponds Road to Bristol CLT for £1. This is an important step for Bristol CLT's plans at 325 Fishponds Road as well as a milestone in the history of house building in the city since it will mark the first housing development by a Community Land Trust in Bristol. Read the full press release [here](#).

Bristol CLT Architects Panel appointed

In the last newsletter, we reported that Bristol CLT would be appointing an Architects Panel. The Board wanted to work with a small range of architects over a three year period on future projects. Bristol CLT sought expressions of interest in July. Applicants were invited to interview with a sub-group which included Bristol CLT Board members, two external advisors and Bristol CLT members. The Board accepted the sub group's recommendation and



Self build at 325 Fishponds Road

Bristol CLT is working hard to finalise plans for a mix of housing on the site including six three bedroom homes and six one bedroom flats in the existing building. The site will also feature a 'secret garden' communal area which will include mini allotments, seating and play areas. Bristol CLT is working with members interested in group and individual self build at 325 Fishponds Road to establish the kind of time commitment they are prepared to make and which elements of the build process are suitable for group self build. The aim is to devise a work programme that will be workable for members and a contractor to ensure the project is delivered within the timescale required.

See below for details of the next members meeting for the 325 Fishponds Road self build group

appointed the following practices to the Bristol CLT Architects Panel covering expertise in sustainable design, community engagement and project management:

[Tom Russell Architects](#)

[GCP Architects](#)

[Stride Treglown](#)

[Chris Askew Architects and Tangent Studio](#)

[White Design](#)

[Architype](#)

Bristol CLT New Identity and Website

Bristol CLT has been working with [Green Hat](#), a graphic design company based in Bristol, to create a new identity and website. We have been able to do this as part of a Big Lottery funded project called 'Engaging Communities' to help Bristol CLT widen its profile and build its membership in Bristol. Both the identity and website will be launched in December.

Self Build Event in 2013

Bristol CLT is planning to hold a day long self build event on Saturday 26 January 2013 which would offer a range of activities throughout the day including: talks and presentations, hands on workshops and a members networking session. The event will promote and build awareness around self build as well as addressing some of the questions members have around what is involved covering: design, construction, materials, energy efficiency, decision making, and personal preferences. If you are interested in being involved in this event, either as a participant or organising team, please contact Anna Maloney:

or alternatively, contact Anna Maloney on:

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Meeting: 325 Fishponds Road self build group

Tuesday 27th November, 5.30pm - 8.30pm

Downstairs at [Cafe Kino](#), 108 Stokes Croft

This meeting is for members interested in group and individual self build at 325 Fishponds Road. We will be looking at the latest plans for the site as well as working with sample work programmes to test options for the self build element.

Please rsvp via the Bristol CLT Groupspaces [events page](#).

Interested in a trip to LILAC?

As part of the Big Lottery funded project 'Engaging Communities', Bristol CLT is able to offer members a trip to visit [LILAC](#) (Low Impact Living, Affordable, Community), Leeds' first affordable co-operatively run straw-bale housing project. Bristol CLT would like to hear from any members who are interested in joining a group led by architects [White Design](#) to travel to LILAC in the New Year. Please contact:

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Mission Statement:

Bristol Community Land Trust seeks to open up opportunities for acquiring and developing land for its members and strives to promote the cause of self-organised housing across the Bristol city region.

It also aims is to nurture and support locally focussed community land trusts whilst leading by example by developing environmentally sustainable, affordable housing and community based amenities.

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