

The community needs your voice!

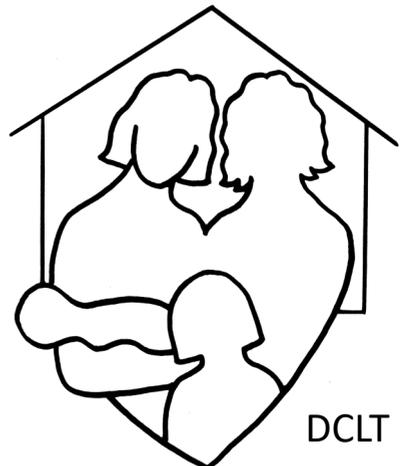
At the annual Parish Council meeting at the Village Hall in 2024, a strong sentiment was expressed that the village should explore possibilities for more affordable housing in the Parish that would remain affordable in perpetuity. Following this, a group of volunteers have established a steering committee for a **Ditchling Community Land Trust**.

To take this forward, the DCLT steering group and Ditchling Parish Council have commissioned a new **Housing Needs Survey** to establish the future housing needs of the village with the right balance of housing for the community.

We need to hear your voice, whether you currently live in Ditchling or have strong connections to the village (such as family members or work) but are currently unable to afford to live here.

Please look out for the survey in your letter box.

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What is a Community Land Trust?

CLTs are **democratic, non profit organisations** that own and develop land for the benefit of the community.

CLTs are community organisations **run by ordinary people** who want to make a difference to their local community, putting control of assets into the hands of local people.

CLTs protect community assets forever. They ensure that their homes are permanently and genuinely affordable. CLTs act as long-term stewards of land and the assets on it, and their work can include preservation of local natural habitats. They ensure that land and assets are put to the benefit of the local community, not just for now but for every future occupier.

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