

Affordable Housing



The Rural Community Council of Essex carried out a [Housing Needs Survey](#) in Manuden in 2008. The survey showed a need for some affordable housing. Four such houses will therefore be built within the housing development as a whole. Two of them will have two bedrooms and the other two will have three bedrooms each.

In conjunction with Pelham Structures we have agreed in principle that the [English Rural Housing Association](#) will own and manage the houses.

Because the houses will be built outside the village development boundary, the housing association, in conjunction with Uttlesford District Council, will [allocate them as a matter of priority to people with a strong local connection](#) to Manuden. In rural areas, such as this, there is no “right-to-acquire” houses owned by housing associations so the houses will remain more affordable than open market houses - and available to local people - in perpetuity.

[Pelham Structures](#), our preferred developer for the whole project, has built a number of Affordable Houses within larger housing developments. They all sit comfortably beside the market price houses and share the very attractive design features and external appearance that distinguish Pelham Structures’ buildings in general.