

Thriving communities,
affordable homes



INVESTING NATIONALLY

DELIVERING
LOCALLY



Outcome of CSR: grant funding
for public sites

Delivering Services for Gypsies and
Travellers

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A new delivery context

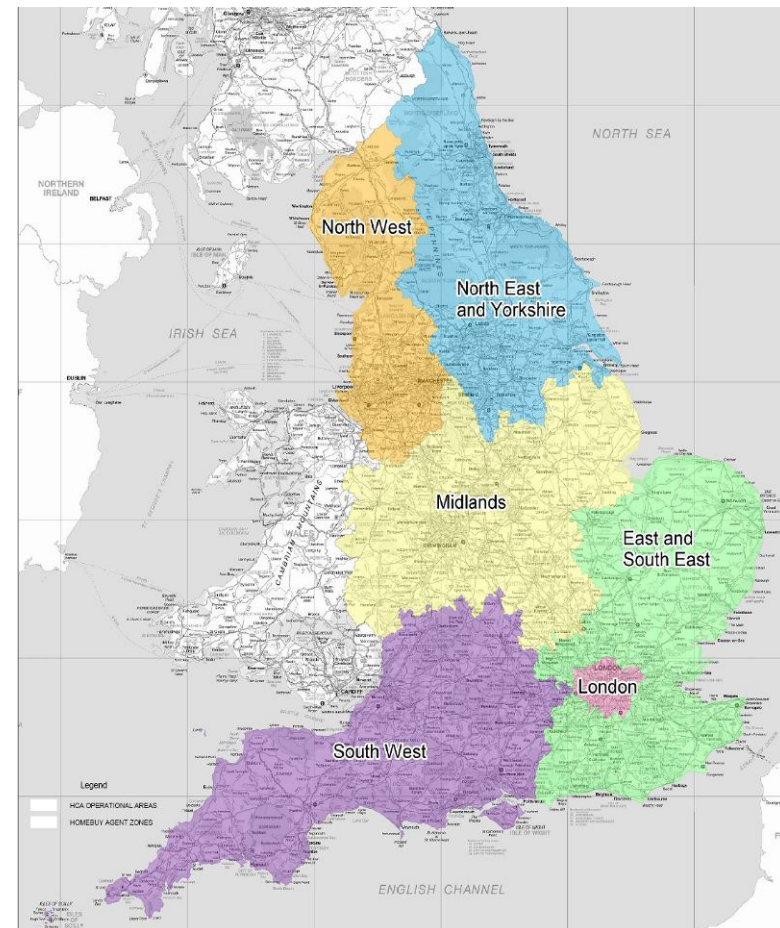
- Reduced public funding – requires innovation and a drive for increased VfM and greater leverage of private investment
- A changed policy landscape – based around incentives and localism
- A changed institutional landscape
- HCA - an investment and enabling agency



Reshaping HCA for our new role



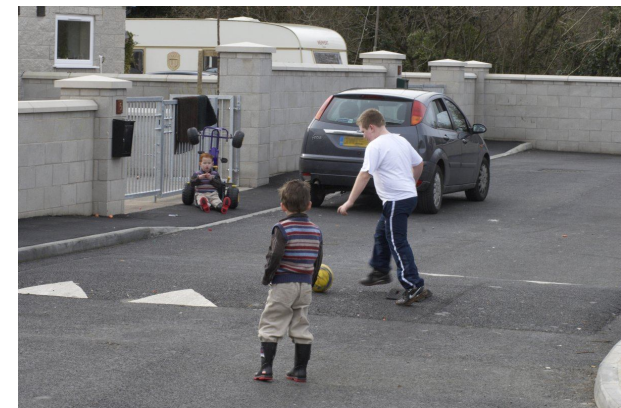
- Smaller, leaner and more focused on where we can add value
- 6 local area teams
 - Midlands
 - North East, Yorkshire and The Humber
 - North West
 - East and South East
 - South West
 - London (until April 2012)



The HCA role: investment and enabling



- Central to our new role is combining investment, enabling and land - supporting delivery of local priorities for housing, regeneration and economic prosperity
- Land & regeneration – public land assets crucial for creating a pipeline of our new development opportunities
- Investment into improving existing stock and regeneration
- A fresh approach to funding new affordable homes
- Economic regulation of Registered Providers



Current programme

- HCA took over delivery of Gypsy & Traveller Sites Grant programme from CLG in April 2009
- Since then we've invested £16.3m in 26 schemes across the country providing:
 - 88 new or additional pitches
 - 179 refurbished pitches



Northwood Park, Gloucestershire

CSR settlement



- Affordable Homes Programme - £4.49bn
 - Majority for Affordable Rent
 - But also:
 - Affordable Home Ownership
 - Supported housing
 - Traveller Pitch Funding
 - Homelessness Change Programme
 - Empty Homes
 - Mortgage Rescue
- Traveller Pitch Funding - £60m over four years to deliver 600 new or additional pitches

Traveller Pitch Funding

- Framework document published on HCA website
- You need to read the main document as well as the Traveller Pitch Funding annex
- FAQs published on our website: AHPFAQ@HCA.gsx.gov.uk
- Key changes from GTSG:
 - Affordable rents – up to 80% market rents
 - Payment on completion – payment by results
 - No 100% grant funding for sites – need to contribute other resources e.g. own resources, public land
 - Funding available across England – no regional distribution in advance
 - Funding available to any Registered Providers, not just LAs and RSLs

Accessing funding - 1

- Initial proposals as part of provider packages for whole 11-15 programme
- Deadline for packages – May 3
- Recommend consortium working
- Potential to access RP procurement and economies of scale to reduce costs
- Specialist and community groups can bid individually
 - Must qualify as an HCA Investment Partner
 - Will need to manage schemes through IMS

Accessing funding - 2



- Sites must be owned by Registered Providers
- Priority for new permanent sites, but funding is available for refurbishment and temporary or transit sites where they are the most appropriate solution for local needs
- Need to show good value for money
- Proposals can be indicative at this stage
- Working in partnership with Local Authorities
- Needs to be a continuous and meaningful on-going dialogue between providers and LAs

Summary



- New Traveller Pitch Funding programme
- Open for package proposals now
- Consortium working with local partners
- Funding available for all RPs
- Value for money
- Bidders must be Investment Partners unless working in a consortium



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