According to Holmans Wales needs 15,300 new homes per year. In 2012 we built 5,290. Increasing supply is the critical nut Welsh housing must crack. The aim of this seminar is to identify opportunities and extensions of increasing supply to end the housing crisis in Wales. Featuring, Welsh Government policy updates, planning reform, new products and delivery methods for building new homes.

10.30: Registration and networking

11:00 Chair’s welcome
Helen Northmore, Director, CIH Cymru

11:05 Welsh Government Policy Update

- Update on Welsh Government’s affordable housing policy
  Rhidian Jones, Head of Affordable Housing, Welsh Government

- Help to Buy scheme
  Charlie Dwyer, Homes and Places Division, Welsh Government

11:30 Planning Bill update and RTPI perspective on the content
Neil Hemington, Chief Planner, Welsh Government Planning Bill Team
Mark Harris, Policy Officer, Home Builders Federation and Chair of RTPI

12:30 Lunch

13:30 HRA Self Financing
Hayley Selway, Head of Housing and Building Services, Vale of Glamorgan Council
Shan Lloyd Williams, Head of Housing, Isle of Anglesey Council
John Bibby, Secretary, Association of Retained Council Housing (ARCH)

14:15 How can joint ventures increase housing supply?
Joint Ventures can spread financial risk and produce more homes. However, how do we balance risk between partners? What are the ways a Housing Association or Local Authority can ensure it gets value for money? How can a partnership really demonstrate it is achieving more for less?
Speaker to be confirmed - Lovell

14:45 Innovations in delivery – world café/speed dating format

- Building Barnhaus homes
  Paul Sawtell, Development Manager, Valleys to Coast Housing and John Carter, Director, Pentan Architects

- Working in partnership to deliver rural housing
  Maes y Waen, Penmachno
  Winner of Welsh Housing Award’s Development of the Year 2014, hear about how these properties were built to high energy efficiency standards utilising renewable energy technology.
  Gwynne Jones, Operations Director, Cartrefi Conwy and Wendy Dearden, Housing Strategy Manager, Conwy County Borough Council

- Modern methods of construction (MMC) at the Accord Group
  The story of LoCaL Homes
  John Bedford, Director of Project Development, Accord Housing Group

16:00 Chair led Q&A and closing remarks

16:15 Close