

Buildoffsite Residential Hub event - 3 October 2018

Hosted By National Composites Centre, Bristol & Bath Science Park, Emersons Green, Bristol BS16 7FS

1.30pm - 5.15pm

Home builders 2020 – who are the players and innovators?

Home building 2020 – the impact and value of using offsite construction for low rise building such as garden towns, villages and cities and larger scale developments. The gap between supply and demand currently sits somewhere between 100k and 150k homes pa. How can offsite solutions capture all of, if not the lion's share of this requirement.

Uncertainties over the short to medium term delivery of market sale homes outside of London is just beginning to emerge especially in urban conurbations. If the sector is to address shortages in housing supply it needs to ensure that this tenure remains at peak capacity, especially if we are going to see any significant growth in housing supply beyond 2020. Independent reports such as Sir Oliver Letwins publication and draft analysis which came out on the 22nd June 2018 and his final report which is due out later this year may provide some of the answers as to how future housing delivery can be increased, perhaps on the back of smaller parcels of land and additional affordable and other tenure solutions.

The impact of Build to rent and other tenures on output is already showing signs of growth, how far these can help to increase build out rates has yet to be determined. The Residential Hub will address the issues surrounding alternative delivery models as part of this session.

Support for the offsite sector has grown considerably over the past 12 months and at a disproportionate rate compared to previous years where growth was being achieved at a steady if not at times frustrating pace. Buildoffsite working with its members (from all walks of the industry) are helping the sector to understand its attributes and limitations at the same time as enabling both the public and private sectors to enter the market not only well prepared and well informed but with a network of like-minded organisations who can support them in the process.

Welcome from the Composite Centre [Neil Appleton]

Introduction - Dennis Seal - Chair Buildoffsite Residential Hub - Buildoffsite and the Residential hub

Speaker 1 – National Composites Centre[Neil Appleton] What part are Composites playing in offsite construction, is there a bigger future for composites in offsite construction and what might this look like.

Speaker 2 – Kier group [Aftab Rafiq plus colleague] **What are the barriers to increasing the use of offsite and what are you as a company doing about it.**

Speaker 3 - Ilke Homes [Bjorn Conway] **How are you reconciling housing delivery with your** manufacturing process to ensure its viable and is it sustainable without Government intervention.

Speaker 4 – Southampton City Council [Mark Bradbury] Is the planning process for large scale sites is enabling or frustrating housing delivery and how are you working to create opportunity and support sector growth.

Speaker 5 - Comfortable Living [Saadat Khan] Are SME's and medium sized companies being squeezed out of the sector by the big players, what support do they need and how much of the governments housing targets can SME's realistically delver - is Build to Rent a better proposition for your housing solutions?

Introducing the Residential Hub leadership group and terms of reference. (10 min)

Networking 45min

Soap Box session (for new members) (15 min)

Alinea [Alex Hyams] What Alinea do, why did you join Buildoffsite and what do you hope to get out of your membership.

Ideal Lifts [David Whorwood] what do IdealLifts do, why did you join Buildoffsite and what do you hope to get out of your membership.

Introduction to panel (focus on local area) 45 min

Panel debate - offsite solutions – panel would collectively identify scale of the local market and barriers its facing in delivering new homes. In addition a local HA (could be instead of a speaking slot) and Homes England representative should compliment the above.

The invited panellists will be joined by the speakers to provided a rounded view and incorporate specific questions by using real examples.

The panel will select 3 key issues to take to the December Residential Hub meeting where we hope to debate in detail the issue of build out rates and the ability of larger sites to absorb more annual output – cross tenure.

Wrap up 15 min - news and views plus reporting back on what's happened since the last meeting