

Brown Lane East



Above: Brown Lane East prior to any development.

Unity's latest development at Brown Lane East, Holbeck will comprise of 42 properties including a mix of 2 bedroom flats and 3 and 4 bedroom houses. The development will be the first of its type in the area of Holbeck and will mark the start of a process of ongoing regeneration in South Leeds.

The scheme will complement Leeds City Council's construction and refurbishment of new homes in Beeston and Little London as part of the Sustainable Communities for Leeds programme.

Shared Ownership

As well as providing much-needed homes for affordable rent, Unity's latest development will also provide opportunities for shared ownership.

Shared-ownership is a government funded scheme aimed at helping 'first-time' buyers get on



Above: A plan of the development

the property ladder. Through the shared ownership scheme, prospective buyers do not have to apply for a full mortgage which increases their chance of being accepted by their bank or building society.

Shared ownership provides opportunities for those who would not be able to afford a home on the

open market and for those on a low income. In some cases shared-owners will be able to increase the percentage of their share and could ultimately own the whole of their property.

Brown Lane East will not be the first development to include shared ownership properties. Unity shares properties with owners across Leeds.

Sustainable Homes

All homes at Brown Lane East will be built to at least Code for Sustainable Homes Level 3, meaning that they will be far more energy efficient than typical properties of their type. Not only will this lessen the impact they have on the environment, but it will also help reduce tenants and shared-owners fuel bills.



Above: How a typical property at Brown Lane East may appear. Many will incorporate energy saving features.

Work Opportunities

Construction of the development at Brown Lane East will create jobs for local people. Unity's contractor Keepmoat will appoint builders and apprentices. They are also seeking candidates for their customer care team.

Candidates do not necessarily need any experience in the construction industry to apply for work experience, work placements or apprenticeships. There will be opportunities to earn while learning. Successful candidates could go on to secure permanent jobs.



Above: Working in partnership to create job opportunities for local people.



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