



## Update on Wheatfield Barns Allocation Process: July 6<sup>th</sup> 2025 Houses ready for habitation expected September

**There are 2 types of homes which are at different points in the allocation process.**

### **1. HOMES FOR RENT - THESE ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE TO BID FOR.**

- This scheme is administered and managed by South Gloucestershire Council HomeChoice and Brighter Places housing association.
- The 4x1 bedroom apartments and 4x2 bedroom and 2x3 bedroom homes are for applicants who have **a local connection to Marshfield, have a housing need for the size of house they bid for and fulfil the SGC HomeChoice allocation criteria.**<sup>1</sup>
- MCLT website has more details on the local connection criteria.<sup>2</sup>
- These homes are at social rent.
- **Applicants will be able to bid for these on the SGC HomeChoice website about 6 weeks before completion.**
- **There has been a delay on site due to legal documents not being finalised. This makes it difficult to judge when the adverts from HomeChoice will be available. Keep looking from mid July and we will keep you informed when we know more.**

### **2. HOMES FOR SHARED OWNERSHIP- APPLICATIONS CURRENTLY BEING ASSESSED.**

- There are 5 homes available for shared ownership: 2 x 2 bedroom and 3 x 3 bedroom homes.
- This scheme is administered by Brighter Places (HA)<sup>3</sup> **and allows applicants to buy a share of a home (between 10% and 50% of value) with a smaller deposit and mortgage than buying outright, making them more affordable.**
- The housing association (Brighter Places) has independent advisers who decide the market price of the houses on offer and the rent levels to be charged. They also advise on whether the applicant can afford the cost (share price plus rent).
- Brighter Places Sales team are available to discuss applicants' appropriate share level.
- A large number registered an interest in these homes.
- **Brighter Places are now going through the process of assessing and contacting applicants. Those who meet the local connection criteria will be dealt with on a first come, first served basis.**

Contact [christine.eden@marshfieldclt.org](mailto:christine.eden@marshfieldclt.org) for queries.

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<sup>1</sup> [HomeChoice Lettings Policy and Procedure](#)

<sup>2</sup> <https://marshfieldclt.org>

<sup>3</sup>HA is a non-profit-making body that provides homes. They operate as commercial organisations and borrow private finance to top up government investment. In England, housing associations are funded and regulated by the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA). Brighter Places is required to work with Independent financial advisors to decide the value of the homes and to ensure that the share level being purchased is affordable and sustainable for the applicant.

