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Herewith my contribution to the above:-

Options set out in initial section

I would favour option 2 (& my comments apply to options 6 & 8) as this area is so expensive to live in: could the possible criteria of eligible households for this include some kind of weighting for local connections eg family in immediate area. local job or job offer?

Tenure of Affordable Housing Options
Here, I would favour option 19, a more even option between the tenures. I have no comment on the '5 homes' or '0.2 hectares' as I do not understand them.

Decision on the actual mix of the tenures for each site could perhaps be located at whatever the tipping point of any scheme is, ie the point at which the site becomes viable.

Is there anything to stop the mix being kept under review to allow/enable residents to switch between tenures as their circumstances dictate? so...owner occupier to renter or part renter to outright buyer?

Environmental concerns
I favour a higher profile here; it should be a given that rainwater collection is part of the specs (irrespective of type of housing); a given that hedges & trees for eg should remain; any landscaping should be eg Ashdown Forest indigenous plants or at least compatible; & the least amount of concrete/paving to be used on site eg brick or concrete strips rather than sold drives or hardstanding for vehicles. These gives some saving for developer, allows rainwater to soak in rather than increase proneness to flooding.

For the part or outright sale at least, basic internal finishes should be also a given to allow individual residents to put their own mark on their homes, additionally reducing costs to developer

thanks for oppotunity to have my say

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