



### Local Authority Affordable Purchase Scheme

The Mortgage Store is delighted to announce a refresh of the previous Local Authority Affordable Purchase Scheme. We have been working with the Department of Housing via the Banking & Payments Federation of Ireland (BPFI) over the last number of months to streamline the provision of this scheme. The Local Authority Affordable Purchase Scheme is a key priority for the Government under their "Housing for All Strategy".

We are pleased to inform you the Priority Agreement in place for each Local Authority has now been streamlined to provide consistency for customers who are applying for inclusion in this scheme. This brings greater clarity for both you and your customers as a universal approach is now in place and is no longer dependant on the rules of each Local Authority.

#### What does this mean?

A second charge to the Local Authority will be in place and will rank behind our First Legal Charge.

The Scheme is open to FTB purchasing in specified new developments only (also available on a case by case basis for customers who meet the Government threshold for an 'Earned Fresh Start').

#### Items to note:

Rome has been updated to include bespoke placeholders for participants of this scheme.

Customers can apply for a CBOI Exception.

Max LTV is 90%.

Standard Credit Policy applies.

Customer purchasing an Affordable Property **cannot** avail of FHS (First Home Shared Equity Scheme). They can apply for HTB (Help to Buy) assuming they meet the HTB standard Terms & Conditions.

#### New Property Specific Application process:

- When submitting a new PS application, note in your Credit Memo that customer has obtained Local Authority approval for the Local Authority Affordable Housing Scheme.
- A specific placeholder will be set up on ROME for you to upload the Local Authority approval document.
- Credit will apply relevant Completions conditions to the application.
- Business as usual process will apply to all other aspects of the Mortgage Journey.

#### Changes in proposal: House Hunter/Property specific to Property Specific Affordable Housing Purchase

- Following usual CIP process, note that 'This is now an Affordable Property Purchase'
- A specific placeholder will be set up on ROME for you to upload the Local Authority approval document.
- Do not submit approval document without CIP case message as this will not be actioned.
- Credit will apply relevant Completions conditions to the application.
- Business as usual process will apply to all other aspects of the Mortgage Journey.

#### Changes in proposal: No longer an Affordable Housing Purchase

- Following usual CIP process, note that 'This is no longer an Affordable Property Purchase'
- Credit will remove relevant Completions conditions from the application.
- No further action required.

#### Note:

Please be aware that the Valuation report will come in higher than the purchase price initially advised if availing of the local authority affordable purchase scheme.