



25 Years
of Homes for
local people



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1989

A group of people from various Peak District organisations form Peak District Rural Housing Association.

The group includes Rev A Hodgson vicar of Ilam and Chairman,

Hanne Goodman
Derby Diocese Board of Social Responsibility,

Alice Robinson
Country Landowners Association,

Mrs J Inglefield,
High Peak Borough Councillor,

Eric Simpson,
Tideswell Parish Council,

Godfrey Claff
Peak Park Trust,

Paul Andrews
Derbyshire Rural Community Council,

Tim Eades of Alstonefield Parish Council.

Kate Astbury
Company Secretary.



1990

PDRHA registers with the Housing Corporation on 19th March. Work is carried out on schemes at Low Bradfield, Alstonefield, Cubley and Earl Sterdale. We use the Peak Park's exceptions policy for the first time on the Alstonefield planning application. Hanne Goodman becomes Chair.

1991

First scheme at Low Bradfield, near Sheffield starts on site on land owned by Sheffield City Council. Alstonefield also starts on site.



1992

Low Bradfield completes and first tenants move in. Alstonefield also completes.



1993



Princess Anne visits Harpur Crewe Cottages, Alstonefield
Opening of five houses at Earl Sterdale – barn conversion.



1995



6 houses complete at Elton and are named "Alice's Cottages" in memory of Alice Robinson who sadly died in March. Jane Legh becomes Chair.

1996

Four houses at Flash, the highest village in Britain, complete.



1997

A Labour Government is elected. More council housing stock is transferred to arms length management organisations.

Midlands Rural Housing set up and takes over from the Rural Housing Trust.



1999

Ivy Cottages at Meerbrook completes and includes our first shared ownership properties.



2000

The Decent Homes Standard is introduced, including the need for good insulation and modern facilities. 12 flats at New Street, Bakewell are completed, managed by PDRHA for Northern Counties HA.

2001

Management agreement signed with Touchstone HA to manage 47 properties in Peak District villages of Longnor, Butterton, Warslow and Blackshaw Moor.

2002

Office moves to Cromford Mill.

2003



Scheme at Edale completes as well as schemes in Repton and Ashover.

2004

The Barker Report on housing supply concluded that the number of houses being built in the UK was not keeping pace with demand.



Schemes at Waterhouses, Castleton, and Holymoorside complete.

2005



2 houses at Over Haddon and 4 houses at Kirk Ireton complete. Jane Legh steps down as Chairman and is replaced by Rob Rowbotham.

2006



Our development of 6 flats for older people in Bakewell, Miracle Court, is included in the Prince of Wales's Design Guide.

2007

PDRHA holds a well attended event on affordable housing for around 75 local parish councillors. Work starts with Youlgrave parish council to identify a suitable site.

2008

Rob Rowbotham resigns from the Chairmanship and Revd Chris Scargill takes on this role. The Housing and Regeneration Act established the Homes and Communities agency.

2009



Sam Matthews elected Chairman. 10 units at Low Meadows, Baslow complete.

2010

We were part of the winning 'Development team of the year' at the Housing Heros' awards with Derbyshire Dales District Council and other active providers in the area.

Conversion of Newfield end barn in Warslow – property leased from the Peak Park.



2011

10 houses completed at Chinley in High Peak

2012

Cuts in housing grants from HCA result in curtailed development programme.

2013

PDRHA features in press coverage during rural housing week.

2014

Funding allocated for four new schemes in 2014/18 programme

2015



Completion of 8 homes in Youlgrave with the local Community Land Trust

A BIG THANK YOU

Many people have played a part over the last 25 years in the Association becoming the established provider of homes it is today. We would like to thank everyone, local authorities, the National Park, Landowners and the HCA, many Parish councillors, our development agents, contractors and consultants, and most importantly our residents.



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