

## House Building



**5-Year House Building Target: 1.5 million new homes**

**Designation of low-quality 'Grey Belt' land, with introduction of 5 'Golden Rules'**

**Update National Planning Policy Framework to restore mandatory housing targets**

**Build a new generation of new towns - alongside urban extensions and regeneration projects**

**Ensure planning authorities have up-to-date local plans**

**Require all Combined and Mayoral Authorities to strategically plan for local housing growth**

**Reform and strengthen presumption in favour of sustainable development**

**New planning powers for combined authorities with new freedoms and flexibilities to make better use of grant funding**

**£20m of additional funding for local authority planning officers**

**Substantially increased delivery of social and affordable housebuilding**

**Local communities to continue to shape local housebuilding - but will use 'intervention powers' where necessary, to enforce targets**

**Take steps to ensure "high-quality, well-designed, and sustainable homes" developments become the norm**

**'Brownfield first' approach, with fast-track approval of urban brownfield sites**

**"Implement solutions" to unlock building of homes affected by nutrient neutrality, without weakening environmental protections**

**Commitment to preserve Green Belt land with new "more strategic" approach to greenbelt land designation and release**



**Corporation tax capped at 25% for the next 5 years**

**To "take action" on late payments**

**Reform of the British Business Bank to make it easier for SMEs to access capital**

**Reform procurement rules to give SMEs greater access to government contracts**

**Retain a permanent full expensing system for capital investment and the annual investment allowance for small businesses**

**Make sure the minimum wage is a genuine living wage**



**Introduction of a 'Warm Homes Plan'**

**Invest an extra £6.6bn over the next 5 years, to upgrade 5 million homes**

**Offer grants and low interest loans to support investment in insulation, solar panels, batteries, low carbon heating etc.**

**Work with the private sector to provide finance to accelerate home upgrades**

**Ensure homes in the private rented sector meet minimum energy efficiency standards by 2030**



**Produce a 'comprehensive strategy' for post-16 education**

**Will guarantee training, and apprenticeship or help to find work for all 18 to 21 year-olds**

**Establish 'Skills England' to bring together business, training providers and Unions with national and local Government**

**End the long-term reliance on overseas workers in some parts of the economy by bringing in workforce and training plans for sectors, such as construction**

**Work alongside the Migration Advisory Committee to make sure training accounts for overall needs of the labour market - Skills England to coordinate opportunities between local areas**

**Devolve adult skills funding to combined authorities**

**Further Education colleges to become specialist Technical Excellence Colleges**

**Reform Apprenticeships Levy - review rules which ignore vital skills and training needed to access apprenticeships**

**Support the aspiration of every person who wants to go to University**

**"Better integrate" further and higher education**

## Other

This Manifesto explainer focuses on the key themes of the FMB's Manifesto: 'Growth from the ground up'. Here, we've picked a few other points we know are important to builders:



**Commitment to take decisive action to improve building safety, including through regulation**

**Recruit 8,500 additional mental health staff over the next 5 years**

**Modernise mental health legislation by updating the Mental Health Act**

**Restore the phase-out date of 2030 for new cars with internal combustion engines**

**Introducing new 'Respect Orders' to crack down on anti-social behaviour**