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New Westcountry homes support rural living near Liskeard

Photo opportunity

**Invitation for 12.30pm, on Wednesday 30th September, at
Marke Valley View, Upton Cross, near Liskeard PL14**

Official launch of 12 new homes at Upton Cross by Mike Winwood, Chairman of Westcountry Housing.

Westcountry Housing is proud to announce the provision of 12 stunning new homes overlooking the scenic Marke Valley, just five miles from Liskeard.

The official launch takes place on Wednesday 30th September when Westcountry's latest affordable housing scheme will receive the official seal of approval from Board members who are touring new homes provided by Westward Housing Group in the past twelve months.

There are eight homes for rent and four homes to part-rent part-buy, situated in the beautiful Cornish village of Upton Cross, to meet the needs of local people for rented homes and low cost home ownership.

Westcountry Housing are working in partnership with Cornwall Council (Caradon District Council at that time) who part-funded the project with the total scheme costing £1.4m and the Homes and Communities Agency.

The land, purchased from the Duchy of Cornwall by Westcountry Housing in March 2008, lies on the edge of Bodmin Moor. And HRH Prince Charles has taken a personal interest in the development of the new homes.

Chairman of Westcountry Housing, Mike Winwood, says, *"When it comes to a rural community with an excellent future - Upton Cross seems to me to be the place to be. These homes have sprung from the ground since March 2008 when we acquired the land. The number of people that have helped to build and deliver these homes exceeds those I can mention by name - a tribute to all involved and a terrific foundation for family and community - right here. Well done and thank you to everyone who has played a part."*

CMG Construction built the accommodation for Westcountry, and it consists of a mixture of family-sized properties. They are built to a high quality specification with plenty of parking, traditional log fire places (as well as oil-fired central heating), contemporary kitchens, glorious views and generous gardens.

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A community launch offering residents a chance to meet their new neighbours and to talk to staff about services is planned for the Autumn and Cornwall Council will be involved in the celebratory event.

Upton Cross is part of the parish of Linkinhorne and it has an interesting history, having been first populated with terraced cottages in the late 19th century to accommodate the miners from the nearby Marke Valley Mine.

The four new homes for sale are offered under the government's New Build Homebuy scheme, also known as part-rent, part-buy, and some have already been snapped up.

Upton Cross offers its residents a thriving community with a school, post office and general store, 17th Century Caradon Inn, a village hall and the renowned Sterts Arts Centre which contains a theatre, gallery and bistro.

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