SEDA Land https://www.seda.uk.net/seda-land

Your chair is **Megan MacInnes**, Scottish Land Commissioner and the Local Development Manager for the Applecross Community Company. For full bio: https://www.seda.uk.net/building-futures-in-rural-scotland-3

Wendy Reid, Director Rural Housing Scotland, development manager, Isle of Ulva. For full bio: https://www.seda.uk.net/building-futures-in-rural-scotland-3

Vivien Kitteringham To Everyone:

Smaller communities endeavouring to establish co-housing projects (using a mutual home ownership model to enable affordable, not for profit housing) need support from Government and Local Authorities - please indlude that in you deliberations,

Ellie Logan Tayvallich Initiative Ltd 👍

Debbie Mackay To Everyone:

Anyone got a link to the Rhoda Meek artilcle?

Norrie MacPhail To Everyone:

This is precisely what Cohousing Scotland has been trying to seek support from the Scottish Gov't to do - however the Housing Minister has passed the buck to Local Authorities Hazel:

Ellie Logan Tayvallich Initiative Ltd. To Everyone:

Re Rural and Islands Housing Fund - there is an expectation that match funding via loan will be included in funding package. This is a barrier to delivery for community organisations without reserves or other income. Can this be changed?

Morven Fancey To Everyone:

Link to Rhoda Meek's article: Scottish rural communities can't just survive on volunteers alone

Lisa McDonald's most recent collection of poems is The

Women of Coigach, <u>https://www.nwhgeopark.com/product/mnathan-na-coigach-the-women-of-coigach/</u>

John: 🧡

Gail Fraser To Everyone: Thank you Lisa. Very moving.

Murray Stewart To Everyone:

Three choices don't feel enough! 😅

Norrie MacPhail: 👍

Vivien Kitteringham: 👍

Ewen McLachlan, Development Officer, Assynt Development Trust. For full bio: https://www.seda.uk.net/building-futures-in-rural-scotland-3

Gail Fraser To Everyone:

Maybe communities should be able to draw a proportion of all capital funding for revenue? This also relates to Big Lottery funding for all their projects that so often close when they don't meet the predicted business model.

hermionelamond To Everyone:

There is nobody at cabinet level in either government from North of Dundee, this in itself is a huge problem, with low population, fewer folk to shout about our plight, we are fighting a hard battle to be heard.

Ewen McLachlan Assynt Development Trust: 👍

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

Perhaps Scot Gov should be addressing the island communities in tangent to rural communities?

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

I currently work in sustainability for the Scottish screen sector and I'm doing some research into screen sustainability in Scotland's islands and rural areas to establish the barriers & opportunities to productions filming in these areas - it seems pertinent that these parts of the countries should be addressed together as there seems to be so many similarities in shared barriers & shared potential solutions

Murray Stewart To Everyone:

My observation of living in an outer isle is that the main isle of an island group work in a centralised way the central belt/Highlands and remote rural Highlands/highland towns and cities do

Ruairidh Moir / BARD / Architects To Everyone:

Replying to "My observation of li..." Totally concur

Polly Chapman, CEO Impact Hub Inverness. For full bio: https://www.seda.uk.net/building-futures-in-rural-scotland-3

Morven Fancey To Everyone:

Ireland makes excellent use of community based hubs which is attracting many people from Dublin and other cities to work in rural Ireland - https://connectedhubs.ie/

Arianne Burgess, MSP Scottish Green Party and convenor of the Parliament's Local Government, Housing and Planning Committee. For full bio: https://www.seda.uk.net/building-futures-in-rural-scotland-3

Megan MacInnes, SLC / Applecross Community Company To Everyone:

Thanks Morven, yes, the Ireland community-based hubs are an excellent example which we should learn more about

vanessa halhead ERCA SRA To Everyone:

The Nordic model of community 'houses' is a really excellent example. These are full community centres, present in most villages, and incorporating most community activities within 1 building. We need to be more ambitious in our vision.

Polly Chapman Impact Hub Inverness To Everyone:

There is a lot of activity currently at trying to learn from the Irish network example, and how this might work in Scotland, so watch this space!

Megan MacInnes, SLC / Applecross Community Company To Everyone:

https://www.gov.scot/news/rural-and-islands-housing-action-plan/

#:~:text=Delivering%20more%20homes%20in%20rural,in%20rural%20and%20island%20areas. This is the link to the new Rural and Islands Housing Action Plan launched by the Scottish Government on 14th October 2023

Ewen McLachlan Assynt Development Trust, Northwest2045.scot To SEDA Web Host(Privately): The Irish rural hubs across the Atlantic Economic Corrider should hit 400 hubs in villages,

on islands by 2024. Which equates to a desk capacity of 22,000 in a four year period.

Nic To Everyone:

Can you clarify exactly what micro-housing is defined as? Mairi Claire Bowser:

Norrie MacPhail To Everyone:

We need to get our Government Officers to fund community or communal facilities, which currently they don't. The current 110,000 house target is based on units as opposed to homes and does not allow for the benefits community or communal facilities bring, such as jobs, reducing social isolation, health and wellbeing

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

Replying to "Can you clarify exac..." Was wondering this too, whether it's referencing tiny homes

Gail Fraser To Everyone:

Could levels of insulation be balanced against local renewable energy source?

hermionelamond To Everyone:

Its all very well building more housing, but, for example, our community has 70% of housing stock empty, either second homes or short let, government not prepared to tackle it! Its not very environmentally friendly to keep building on rural land. Much of property is owned by people out with the Highlands or even Scotland, not economically viable either for a stronger Scotland.

Hazel To Everyone:

Living in Micro housing might mean very close together. If heat insulation is not so strict please don't forget sound insulation needs to be TOP for almost all of us

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

Like flat pack homes then?

Anna Gardiner To Everyone:

https://theweehousecompany.co.uk/

Mairi Claire Bowser: 👍

nick domminney To Everyone:

Wendy. Your micro housing idea, with lower space standards, structure and the like are a recipe for slum landlords, damp homes etc. Despite what you say it is exactly about lower standards. We already have rash of low quality housing in the rural areas, they are called old caravans and many are abject.

Ellie Logan Tayvallich Initiative Ltd. To Everyone:

The costs are rising exponentially for new build and refurbishment due to the cost of materials and labour. Should we have a national building company and (easy) procurement route for materials which can buy at scale and keep costs down? It would make best use of public money

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

Here's an example of a community lead initiative in county Clare, Ireland, for training people in sustainable building skills, not sure if it's well known in Scotland? Something similar here would be great: https://www.ourcommonknowledge.org/

Ewen McLachlan Assynt Development Trust, Northwest2045.scot To Everyone:

The Irish rural hubs across the Atlantic Economic Corridor is on target to hit 400 hubs in villages, on islands by 2024. This will equate to a desk capacity of 22,000 in a four year period since the launch.

Claire Boardman: 😮

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

Replying to "The Irish rural hubs..." What is the Scottish equivalent of that?

Chris Morgan, Director, John Gilbert Architects Ltd . For full bio: https://www.seda.uk.net/building-futures-in-rural-scotland-3

Polly Chapman Impact Hub Inverness To Everyone:

Replying to "The Irish rural hubs..."

There is no equivalent at the moment, but it is something that is being looked at. There are a lot of individual spaces across rural Scotland, but they are not connected in one place vanessa halbead:

vanessa halhead: 👍

Ewen McLachlan Assynt Development Trust, Northwest2045.scot To Everyone:

Replying to "The Irish rural hubs..."

There are small hubs, but I don't believe there's a national approach to supporting the remote and rural communities without access to high speed broadband, other than the woeful BT/ Openreach which argued their statutory obligation down to 10mbps.

vanessa halhead: 👍

Mairi Claire Bowser: 👍

Ruairidh Moir / BARD / Architects To Everyone:

Housing associations could do more to improve quality of rural social housing in the meantime. Too often housing is seen as a statistic rather than anything of quality. Also, within the islands, "units" outwith the urban centres cost more, so the HA does everything in their power to try to not build in rural locations.

HHP is currently sitting on £40m of reserves according to the Stornoway Gazette - why this isn't put into developing high quality social housing in rural locations in the islands?

sebail MacKinnon To Everyone:

I think Crown estates are looking to start supporting communities by buying assets while communities find the money ?

Morven Fancey To Everyone:

Agree entirely with Chris's point. The enabling capacity to support community (and employer-led) housing is severely lacking, despite recent announcement of extra funding. Doubling, tripling their capacity and including additional planning, legal and financial expertise could be transformational for rural housing.

Wendy Reid, Rural Housing Service/NWMCWC To Everyone:

Comrie Croft is an example of a Smart Clachan approach that Rural Housing Scotland is developing

Vivien Kitteringham To Everyone:

Able to pay doesn't mean of course that everyone in the project is able to pay - and especially finding and funding a site needs help woth seedcorn funding. Even more so in more urban areas.

Hazel: 👍

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

I really love Findhorn and the work that they do there, something that I notice about them & most 'sustainable / ecological' communities & initiatives in Scotland is that they're usually started by international individuals / communities (U.S. and / or English) rather than being initiated by Scotland born folk. I say that as a Dundonian who learnt about Findhorn - 2.5 hours from where I was brought up - whilst I was visiting an eco community in southern California. There seems to be a disconnect with local / national society in Scotland

hermionelamond To Everyone:

Many rural communities support a multitude of small businesses. Unless your community is lucky enough to have an employer along the lines of a Distillery or such like, small businesses are not in a position to help with a housing project, but they may need more stuff to expand. ~catch 22? But then my community has fallen from 130 to 78 in the last 18 months. Not good.

Debbie Mackay To Everyone:

John very interesting comment re the need for more trusts being funded. Rural Housing Scotland does this kind of work but wasn't given the same money Ariane mentioned as the other two trusts. Given this kind of funding, RHS's significant network of community links and depth of experience could really help provide much greater resource across Scotland. The three trusts were always previously regarded as doing similar complementary roles. Ariane can you ask the relevant SG people to consider this urgently and fund RHS to a similar level?

Gail Fraser To Everyone:

Core buildings sound interesting. Please could Chris explain more?

Pauline Prior-Pitt reads her poem 'The Telephone Call'. Pauline is an award winning poet from North Uist who regularly appears on radio and television.https://www.pauline-prior-pitt.com

Elaine Blackett-ord:

Louise Muir To Everyone: I love that @Pauline Prior-Pitt

Norrie MacPhail To Everyone: Wonderful - and so true!

Gail Fraser To Everyone:

Lovely Pauline! Hopefully we'll be building many more places like that.

Nic To Everyone:

Question:

Given the social, economic and environmental considerations related to housing and development -> What is the panels thoughts on 'Regenerative Settlements', mirroring the One Planet Development in Wales?

Ariane Burgess MSP: 👍

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

I notice that skills hasn't been mentioned yet, and as I understand, that is part of the problem, with trade skills leaving rural and island communities?

Gail Fraser To Everyone:

Do you think we should try to bring private finance into affordable homes as proposed by Craig White (at last event) eg by selling carbon credits in sustainable homes?

Wendy Reid, Rural Housing Service/NWMCWC To Everyone:

Rural Housing Scotland work in that area of Scotland, unfortunately they aren't funded by Scottish Government so struggle with capacity to provide direct support to lots of groups.

Debbie Mackay; 👍

John (Communities Housing Trust) Oban To Everyone:

Chris makes a good point in terms of the positive impact good quality homes make to individuals and health services. health boards don't recognise / have a budget to assist with housing projects.

Claire Boardman: 👍

Norrie MacPhail To Everyone:

Cohousing does incorporate micro-housing, in that it allows for small homes for individuals, supported by communal spaces and facilities, along with larger homes for families. In rural terms this model can include broader community facilities, as discussed.

John Fyall To Everyone:

What your saying is spot-on and when your MSP is frightened to buck the party line - you have a problem - especially if your MSP happens to be the Housing Minister !!!

nick domminney To Everyone:

Micro Housing. Indeed Norrie. But co-housing does not mean tiny homes built to lower standards, which is what Ariane was suggesting.

vanessa halhead ERCA SRA To Everyone:

I'd be interested to know how many of you are going to attend the Scottish Rural and Islands Parliament - https://srip.scot/ later this week? We will be discussing many of these issues there.

Ellie Logan: 👍

Julia C & Seoras B CCDC To Everyone:

Should Government have a re-population target? We all as individual communities understand the connection between housing and repopulation but repopulation of the rapidly depopulating Highlands needs to be on same level as net zero targets.

Ariane Burgess MSP: 👍

Ewen McLachlan Assynt Development Trust: 👋

Sara Harkins: 👍

Mairi Claire Bowser: 👍

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

Re: my previous comment about construction skills, in this sectoral skills assessment of Skills Development Scotland, they've said that the construction sector dropped by 19.1% between 2019 & 2021 : https://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk/media/3j0i01ar/sectoral-skills-assessment-construction.pdf

Beth Landon, Borders Community Action (TSI) To Everyone:

What impact do you think the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 could have on rural housing, in particular the onus on planning authorities to invite and register Local Place Plans?

Norrie MacPhail To Everyone:

Replying to "Micro Housing. Indee..."

Absolutely not - we advocate higher standards than the Government demands, for the benefits they bring long-term and the reduction in living costs that standard would provide

Louise Logue To Everyone:

Planning seems to trump everything!

Julia C & Seoras B CCDC To Everyone:

Also, access to land in Highlands is tied in with crofting tenure and legislation. Bk

S.Beeson To Everyone:

I prefer core housing as an idea. 'Tiny' or 'micro' accepts moving on rather than planning to stay and build community. Recommend David Haney (2010) When Modern Was Green: Life and Work of Landscape Architect Leberecht Migge". Taylor & Francis. - speculates a small house with allotment (at the least an apple tree) and possibilities to add on either more house or more growing or a balance, which changes in response to life changes including self-build. Proposed in 1920's Germany - a century ago! Also housing must be more than individual buildings and accept a larger idea of landscape use (agriculture, forestry, tourism, or any other entrepreneurship). Similar to the inter-war small holding in Scotland, but less land. A new type of micro-croft

perhaps? Does not need to be a large plot of land and can be distributed around existing small communities. Anything like this already under development?

Emma Miller: 💗

Mairi Claire Bowser: 👍

Sara Donald - Knoydart Foundation To Everyone:

Absolutely agree Wendy, having to go through major procurement process is definitely a barrier

Malcolm Fraser To Everyone:

Replying to "The Irish rural hubs..."

Wendy, it also adds a huge amount of admin and uncertainty - I know of developments with 4 different VAT structures, and a VAT consultant needing to be employed.

Polly Chapman Impact Hub Inverness To Everyone:

Perhaps the issue around procurement could be addressed by including community benefit clauses? Also, could you explain why the procurement process excludes local contractors at present? What is the block?

Hazel To Everyone:

I'm a pensioner in a very small retirement flat and greatly inhibited and depressed by lack of space and light.

Mairi Claire Bowser: 😢

John Fyall To Everyone:

What's needed is a central database of all involved and an open discussion on how much of the £35 million will disappear into consultations and consultants fees rather than actual physical manifestation of anything. There are too many fractionated well meaning organisations working largely on a voluntary basis at the moment and if they all pooled their experience and presented a well funded and presented enabling policy the we might get somewhere. The problem is that every one brought up in he rural environment would like their children to benefit likewise but obviously all an not have this SO- who decide the criteria for this benefit ???????

Mairi Claire Bowser: 👍

Sara Donald: 👋

Malcolm Fraser To Everyone:

Replying to "The Irish rural hubs..."

MIcrohousing: we are adding in huge costs for sprinklers, passivhaus consultants and the like - while arguing they should be dropped?

Wendy Reid, Rural Housing Service/NWMCWC To Everyone: many local firms don't have the capacity to participate in a public procurement process

Norrie MacPhail To Everyone:

Replying to "many local firms don..."

Between 2014 -2017 we lost about 35-40% of good local contractors through Procurement regs.

Ellie Logan Tayvallich Initiative Ltd. To Everyone:

Replying to "many local firms don..."

But for a community project they don't have to? I made a point about how we could (potentially) as community projects be able to procure from a central source which gets economies of scale - mainly as a provocation! The costs of materials and labour are inherently prohibitive.

Nic To Everyone:

Replying to "What's needed is a c..."

Hi John, I agree. Would be interested in chatting to you about this a I am working on such a project and would appreciate your input?

Ewen McLachlan Assynt Development Trust, Northwest2045.scot To Everyone:

Replying to "many local firms don..."

Creating local community consortiums to bid for infrastructure work would remove the expense of bringing in 'big' construction companies and their £300 a hour costs...

Ellie Logan Tayvallich Initiative Ltd. To Everyone:

Replying to "many local firms don..."

Also, we struggle to get three competitive quotes. No one wants to work in rural areas where there are transport/materials/accommodation/weather issue

Julia C & Seoras:👍

Ariane Burgess MSP: 👍

Karine Polwart, award winning singer-songwriter ,sings "Salter's Road" about an elderly neighbour in her hometown of Pathhead, Midlothian.

Hazel To Everyone:

Lovely Karine thank you

Polly Chapman Impact Hub Inverness To Everyone:

Replying to "many local firms don..."

using community benefit clauses - with real teeth, should enable local contractors to benefit from the work and without necessarily being the ones going through the procurement process

Ariane Burgess MSP (she/her) To Everyone:

Replying to "I prefer core housin..."

I love cohousing and have raised it with the Housing Minister for exactly the reasons Chris mentions - and mainly for the preventative/wellbeing benefits.

I would say looking at the multiple needs for housing I would say we need to take a both and approach.

Along with the empty homes, increased council tax for 2nd homes and regulation on short term lets.

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

Re: the intersection of skills, community development, depopulation, climate change mitigation and the need for adaptation for climate impacts for communities, I recently proposed this model for Scotland into the international 'Climate Creatives Challenge' on the topic of 'adapting historic environments' and I won a commended entry for it. Could be a seed of inspiration / model for change for us here: https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=2px6VADC25g&t=41s

Claire Boardman: 🧡

John Fyall To Everyone:

Replying to "What's needed is a c..." jfyall@buildingcompliance.org.uk

Nic To Everyone: Replying to "What's needed is a c..." Thank you - I will be in touch!

John Fyall To Everyone: Replying to "The Irish rural hubs..." Pure greed by professionals using their competencies to put their noses in the trough !!!

John (Communities Housing Trust) Oban To Everyone:

Replying to "What's needed is a c..."

There is a danger that very vocal members of community groups prioritise their 'pet' projects and may miss housing

Sara Donald - Knoydart Foundation To Everyone:

Replying to "Perhaps the issue ar..."

Polly, part of the issue is length of time of procurement. The issue with excluding local contractors is party that they may not be registered on PCS, the other point is trying to fit into a smaller contractors work schedule and matching that up with a bigger organisations timeline.

iPad To Everyone:

a house needs land Land should belong to

the community

how can a mountain belong to one family

S.Beeson: 👍

Norrie MacPhail To Everyone:

Replying to "The Irish rural hubs..."

Whilst a sound concept it may be self defeating in that the community becomes national, thereby losing it's community status?

John Fyall To Everyone:

Replying to "The Irish rural hubs..."

Small communities with varying ideas eventually evolved into the government we are now lumbered with - be careful what you wish for - it need careful thought to gain truly democratic governance of any assets !

Ariane Burgess MSP (she/her) To Everyone:

Replying to "many local firms don..."

In brief - Communities Housing Trust is working on an idea of pooling funding from all the people who are in need of housing - from communities, housing associations and businesses - and then buy all the materials needed for the projects - so buying materials at scale which would then mean construction puts in their costs for labour and design. More there but just to say this is being thought about.

Morven Fancey To Everyone:

Does the panel agree that we have a rural housing crisis? If yes, how should Scotland be responding to that?

Julia C & Seoras: 👍

Ewen McLachlan: 👍

vanessa halhead ERCA SRA To Everyone:

Here in the Black Isle, we are in the final stages of doing a Local Place Plan. We were able to get public funding to employ a consultant to do the facilitation and report writing, which was very well done, with many community and target group events. We are the largest area to date to do one, the Black isle has a population of 10,000 with 8 community councils, so the government is looking at us as a bit of a pilot. It is too soon to judge the final product, let alone how we will attempt to act on it. It isn't a bad idea, but it absolutely needs funding to undertake and to do it well.

Ariane Burgess MSP: 👍

Beth Landon, Borders Community Action (TSI): 👍

Ewen McLachlan Assynt Development Trust:

Gail Fraser To Everyone:

In the first BF event Ariane proposed professional facilitators in each council to help / fast track the whole procurement process for community groups. Thoughts on that?

John (Communities Housing Trust) Oban To Everyone:

There are Frameworks being set up (Tiree) to help with procurement and more could help.

Ariane Burgess MSP (she/her) To Everyone:

What's great about the work of Communities Housing Trust and South of Scotland Community Housing is that pretty much all of their projects include other spaces than housing office spaces, NHS facilities, community hubs.

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

What sustainable building skills courses do we have in Scotland, if any?

John (Communities Housing Trust) Oban To Everyone:

We (Communities Housing Trust) are looking at material hubs to help rural housing projects.

Ariane Burgess MSP: with 👍

Ewen McLachlan Assynt Development Trust: 👍

Mairi Claire Bowser: 👍

iPad To Everyone:

yes chris. local people bildungsroman them

iPad To Everyone:

yes micro house get children to build hurrah

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

Yes! Especially for getting women into trade skills. I had never considered it as a profession until my 30s as I hadn't previously come into contact with the construction industry Maqdalena Blazusiak: 👍

Louise Logue To Everyone:

in my experience its only the less academic children get to do this

Magdalena Blazusiak To Everyone:

I agree with Ariane on the basic education and highlighting the requirement to teach maintenance in school. We all own a house after all and should have the basic knowledge of what would be technically called buildign physics, to make decisions.

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

There's a culture change needed around trade skills as we still put "academic" work on a pedestal and don't have enough respect for trade roles & why they're so integral for society hermionelamond: 👍

Norrie MacPhail To Everyone:

Replying to "What's great about t..."

What's not so great though Ariane, is that these two organisations get nearly all the communities funding available from the SG - and they're fighting very hard not to have to share it, understandably! SOSCH has, to its credit, recently built to Passivhaus standard too.

Ariane Burgess MSP: 👍

Gail Fraser To Everyone:

A building built with P6 in Midlothian - a one year project started in the class room and then built: https://www.halvorsen-architects.co.uk/wooploft-scottish-borders/

Ewen McLachlan Assynt Development Trust, Northwest2045.scot To Everyone:

Reacted to "using community bene..." with 👍

Chiara Fingland To Everyone:

Reacted to "Yes! Especially fo..." with 👍

Chris Morgan, John Gilbert Architects To Everyone:

Regarding small housing potentially being small / damp ./ dark etc, it is very much about context and control. Ie depends where it is and how much control you have over your surroundings. No doubt it can be done badly / maintained badly etc.

Mairi Claire Bowser: 👍

Magdalena Blazusiak: 👍

SEDA Web Host To Everyone:

In the Netherlands they have holiday camps called Timmerdorp (timber village), where kids make villages out of wood and learn a lot of skills on the way. Would really love to see something similar here. Google 'Timmerdorp', or an explanation in English here: https://www.huffpost.com/archive/ca/entry/timmerdorp-these-dutch-kids-built-an-entire-village-in-4-days_n_8894594

SEDA Web Host: 💗

Mairi Claire Bowser: 💗

Magdalena Blazusiak To Everyone:

Replying to "There's a culture ch..."

In my experience it is how (and if) that 'academic' knowledge is shared for the wider

Nikki Sinclair To Everyone:

Communities not wanting or able to do an LPP might like to see the information on engaging with new style Local Development Plans that APRS have started putting together:-<u>https://aprs.scot/campaigns/local-development-plans/</u>

Beth Landon: 👍

nick domminney To Everyone:

Micro Housing. Ariane is confusing urgency (rural housing quickly) with quality (lower standards does not mean quicker houses), just worse ones.

Lisa McDonald's most recent collection of poems is The

Women of Coigach, https://www.nwhgeopark.com/product/mnathan-na-coigach-the-women-of-coigach/

Chris Morgan, John Gilbert Architects To Everyone:

Got my mother's house built partly by children as part of wider involvement by others. Important to create situations where materials are safe / natural and situation is safe / supportive etc etc

SEDA Web Host: 👍

Ariane Burgess MSP: 👍

Ariane Burgess MSP (she/her) To Everyone:

Replying to "Micro Housing. Arian ... "

Sorry that you have this impression Nick - that's not what is intended and as I said I've seen superb micro and tiny houses.

Mairi Claire Bowser To Everyone:

Yes, new build houses are also horrible spaces in terms of lack of character

Ellie Logan Tayvallich Initiative Ltd. To Everyone: Great session. Thank you.

Ellie Logan Tayvallich Initiative Ltd. To Everyone: Replying to "Yes, new build house..." They do not have to be! But the costs of architects who are visionary is probably prohibitive

Mairi Claire Bowser: 👍

S.Beeson To Everyone:

Scotland's population is flat-lining - in 50 years the world population has doubled. Demand is out there. Is land ownership the single most important block?

Gail Fraser To Everyone:

Sam Parsons had some good suggestions for helping enable very small scale rural developments see recoding of last event

Ariane Burgess MSP: 👍

hermionelamond To Everyone: Thank you, really interesting.

Norrie MacPhail To Everyone: Replying to "Yes, new build house..." That is purely bad design

Claire Boardman: 👍

vanessa halhead ERCA SRA To Everyone: Excellent discussion!

Norrie MacPhail To Everyone: Thanks

SEDA Web Host To Everyone:



Claire Boardman To Everyone: Agreed! Another great session- thank you Megan and all panellists.

John Fyall To Everyone: Replying to "What's needed is a c..."

many thanks - most interesting

nick domminney To Everyone:

Replying to "Micro Housing. Arian ... "

Ariane, worse space, thermal, structural and other standards, whether new build or retrofit, mean worse housing and a recipe for slum lanmdlords

Ruairidh Moir / BARD / Architects To Everyone:

Replying to "Yes, new build house..." @Ellie Logan Tayvallich Initiative Ltd. - not always - happy to look at this. ruairidh@bard.scot www.bard.scot

Claire Boardman: 🤙

Beth Landon, Borders Community Action (TSI) To Everyone: Thanks everyone - super interesting and engaging presentations and conversations

Nikki Sinclair To Everyone: Thanks to all - really interesting session Morven Fancey To Everyone: Very well chaired Megan. Thank you

Eleanor Fraser To Everyone:

Thanks everyone! I'm particularly interested in the Japanese system of tax Ewen mentioned

Ariane Burgess MSP (she/her) To Everyone:

Thank you - great to be a part of these discussions. It's really helpful if we can get really clear on the policy asks. I'm all ears as those ideas are developed. And I am doing my best to be a squeaky wheel when speaking to the Scot Gov/Housing Minister.

Sara Harkins To Everyone:

Thank you very interesting.

Elaine Blackett-ord To Everyone: Replying to "Micro Housing. Arian..." It will be exploited by every house builder and landlord.

Ariane Burgess MSP: 👍

Chiara Fingland To Everyone: Thanks all, brilliant session and lots to think about!

Ariane Burgess MSP (she/her) To Everyone: Replying to "Micro Housing. Arian..."

I hear your concerns - clearly these things need to be worked through to ensure we don't end up with what you describe.

Sara Donald - Knoydart Foundation To Everyone: Replying to "Yes, new build house..."

We are in the process of designing 2 new affordable homes at the moment and they are amazing. Very unlike the large new build developments.

Ariane Burgess MSP (she/her) To Everyone:

Reacted to "Ariane, worse space,..." with 👍

nick domminney To Everyone: Thanks you all. Really interesting

Sara Donald - Knoydart Foundation To Everyone: Great session thank you