

## CHIC launches newbuild framework

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**CHIC** has announced the launch of its new Newbuild Framework. Now available to Registered Providers, it provides a comprehensive solution to deliver all types of development related works to help tackle the housing shortage.

The framework lots and workstreams were shaped through consultation with CHIC's members, consultants and contractors to ensure that it offers a compliant route to market that addresses the sectors evolving needs.

This new 8-year Framework for construction works and consultancy services will cater for a wide range of project types, from small infill and garage sites to large estate regeneration projects including newbuild, refurbishment/retrofit and cross subsidy housing for sale. It also provides MMC solutions including fully modular, frame & panel and turnkey options.

Structured into three lots with national coverage, the framework incorporates the following key elements:

Lot 1 for Consultancy Services encompasses Project Management, Architectural, Structural and Civil Engineering and Principal Designer Services.

Lot 2 offers Traditional & Main Contractors for MMC, Fully Modular supply-only solutions, Frame and Panel supply-only options and Contractor/Manufacturer Turnkey services. It provides flexibility and efficiency, allowing members to choose from a range of construction approaches that suit their specific project requirements.

Lot 3 focuses on Development and Regeneration. It is intended for large-scale projects, providing a comprehensive approach to urban renewal. It offers solutions for newbuild developments, refurbishment, retrofitting and cross-subsidised housing for sale.

The framework addresses the specific needs identified during CHIC's extensive consultation process, including a longer term duration, MMC options and support, consultancy services, a solution for larger regeneration projects, the use of standard contracts, BIM integration and a focus on collaborative and social valuable outcomes.

Members can access the framework via mini-tender or direct award, offering flexibility in procurement processes. The framework has been carefully considered so that it aligns with the Government's recommendations for Constructing the Gold Standard, emphasising quality, innovation and sustainability.

A dedicated Framework Core Group will be established to facilitate learning, standardisation and collaboration among stakeholders to ensure that the sector is working towards the same goal, tackling the UK housing market crisis.

Sarah Davey, CHIC's Head of Development commented, "This framework offers our members an its inclusive approach, encouraging innovation, efficiency and social value outcomes. We believe it will help our members to deliver their newbuild developments efficiently, setting a gold standard for the industry."

A full list of appointed suppliers and more about CHIC's range of frameworks and DPS solutions can be found on their website at [www.chicltd.co.uk](http://www.chicltd.co.uk)