

**RSN Seminar: Rural Housing
Online via Zoom
11am-1pm, Monday, 2nd November 2020
Agenda**

11:00 Introduction and ‘housekeeping’ from Andy Dean, Assistant Director at Rural Services Network

11:05 Welcome from chair Councillor Trevor Thorne, Northumberland County Council

11:15 Introduction to speakers on behalf of Rural Services Network by Ivan Annibal, Director at Rose Regeneration

**Seminar session
Rural Housing**

11:20 Speaker 1

Steve Kemp, Executive Director, OpenPlan Consultants Ltd

Presentation – *Housing and the Planning White Paper*

Short Q&A with the speaker

11:40 Speaker 2

Tony Price, Programme and New Initiatives Manager, Trent & Dove Housing Association

Presentation – *The Work of Research Users in Social Housing*

Short Q&A with the speaker

12:00 Speaker 3

Graham Biggs, Chief Executive, Rural Services Network

Report on Revitalising Rural Campaign and Pragmatix Research

The economic and fiscal case for investing in rural affordable housing to drive post-pandemic recovery.

Short Q&A with the speaker

12:20 Open forum discussion led by Ivan Annibal focusing on Rural Housing

Wider discussion about Rural Housing in England with evidence and examples of Good Practice that members wish to share.

This discussion can also include Rural Housing concerns from local rural communities due to Covid-19, and any wider issues as relevant.

13:00 Close of Session

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