Local connection criteria

Where affordable homes are part of a new build development of properties the Local Connection Criteria is determined during the planning process and is applicable to people wanting to purchase a new home on that development.

Allocation	Allocation of the affordable dwellings for those who we consider are in housing need and unable to afford other accommodation in the locality suitable to their and their households needs and who meet the Local Connection requirement.
Local connection	Applicant lives in South Gloucestershire and has lived in the district for the last two years, or; Applicant's mother, father, brother, sister or adult child live in South Gloucestershire and have lived continuously in the area for the last five years, or;
	Applicant is permanently employed in South Gloucestershire, or who need to move to take up a definite offer of paid work, or an apprenticeship and who are unable to commute and: - Have signed or have an offer of a contract for a minimum period of 12 months and - Work more than 16 hours per week on average and - Are based in the district for the majority of that time for the purposes of carrying out their employment (at least 70%), or;
	Some other special reason, e.g. Applicant receives specialist medical treatment in South Gloucestershire which they cannot receive elsewhere.
	*This information has been taken from the Section 106 Agreement which is a planning agreement, as well as South Gloucestershire Council's HomeChoice Lettings Policy.

If you have any questions regarding the local connection criteria, please get in touch with a member of the Sales team by calling 0800 027 9801 or email newhomes@livewest.co.uk.

