# **Livewell Development**Accreditation Scheme



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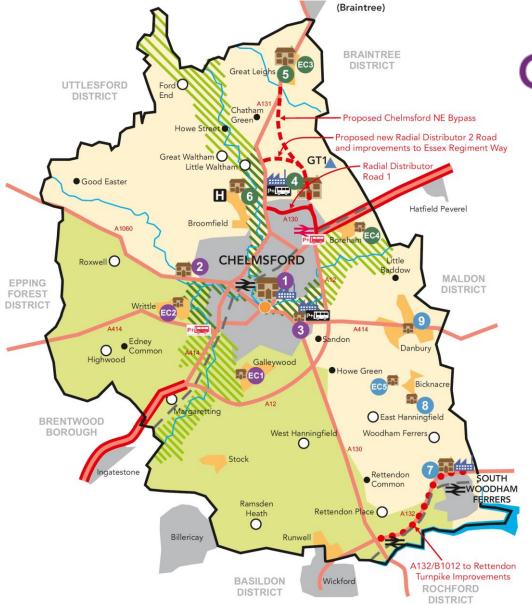


## Why a new accreditation

Encouraging health and wellbeing in new development becoming higher priority:

- NPPF
- Garden Community/Health New Towns agenda
- Active Design Principles
- Essex Design Guide
- Health Impact Assessment
- New Local Plan policies











## What is the Livewell Development Accreditation?

#### Aim of the Scheme

To acknowledge, enable and reward developers of residential led schemes that positively contribute to lifestyles supportive of good health and wellbeing











## **Accreditation Overview**

#### **Developer Charter**

- Commits developers to support the health and wellbeing principles within the accreditation scheme
- Based on an annual review
- Promotes commitment to delivering health and wellbeing throughout their business supporting corporate responsibilities
- Training and advice provided by local authority





## **Accreditation Overview**

#### Stage 1 - Design Award

- Developers assessed on how they have embedded healthy design principles into their emerging schemes
- Uses Health Impact Assessment or the Healthy Checklist





### **Accreditation Overview**

#### Stage 2 - Development Accreditation

- Development assessed on a credit-based scoring process on the following principles:
  - Design of homes and spaces
  - Active environment and active design principles
  - Environmental Sustainability
  - Supporting Communities
  - Access to healthier food environments
  - Education, skills and employment
- Livewell Developments will be awarded at either bronze, silver or gold level subject to approval by a panel
- Case study evidence based



## Pilot Livewell Development

#### **West Chelmsford**

- 800 homes
- Primary School
- Neighbourhood
  Centre
- Greenspace
- TSP site





## Pilot Livewell Development

#### **West Chelmsford**

- Linear Park
- Active open spaces
- Active Travel
- Ecology Corridors
- Healthy retail uses





















#### Conclusions

- Implementing HIA into development
- Embedding principles into masterplans
- Accreditation adds value to schemes
- Accreditation scheme endorsed by EPOA for roll-out across Essex
- Remains a voluntary scheme



#### More Information

www.rhs.org.uk

www.livewellcampaign.co.uk

www.chelmsford.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/masterplans-for-new-developments-in-chelmsford



## **Questions and Discussion**

