**ADEPT Planning, Housing and Regeneration Board meeting 26 October 2018**

The meeting focused on ADEPT’s Housing Position Paper:

<https://www.adeptnet.org.uk/system/files/documents/Artwork%20PP%20Housing%20FINAL.pdf>

The meeting received contributions from the Association of Consulting Engineers Homes on its report: *Unlocking Housing* <https://www.acenet.co.uk/media/1135/unlocking-housing.pdf>

Susan Emmett from Homes England gave an update on the role of the agency, including a range of partnerships. It plans to grown in size to 750 employees. Nick Porter from the Local Government Association gave an update on the role of the Association in the field of planning and housing. He referred to two reports produced by the Association: *Speeding up delivery:* *Learning from councils enabling timely build-out of high quality housing:*

<https://www.local.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/5.36%20Speeding%20up%20delivery_v03.1.pdf> and *Innovation in Council Housebuilding:* <https://www.local.gov.uk/topics/housing-and-planning/innovation-council-housebuilding>

The meeting concluded with a presentation from Hilary Chipping, Chief Executive from the South East Midlands Local Enterprise Partnership, who discussed the work of the LEP in supporting the delivery of housing in the region.

The role of local authorities in housing delivery was discussed. It was a really useful and informative meeting and a good discussion on a range of housing issues took place. The next meeting of the Board is on 9 February 2019.

**Peter Geraghty**

**Chair**