



# Urban/Regional Land Trust

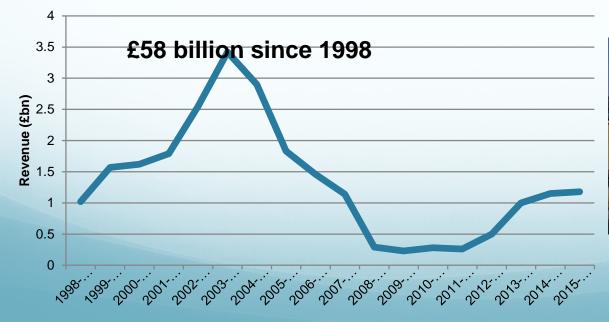
### A Missed Opportunity



### **Total Public Land Sales - £??**

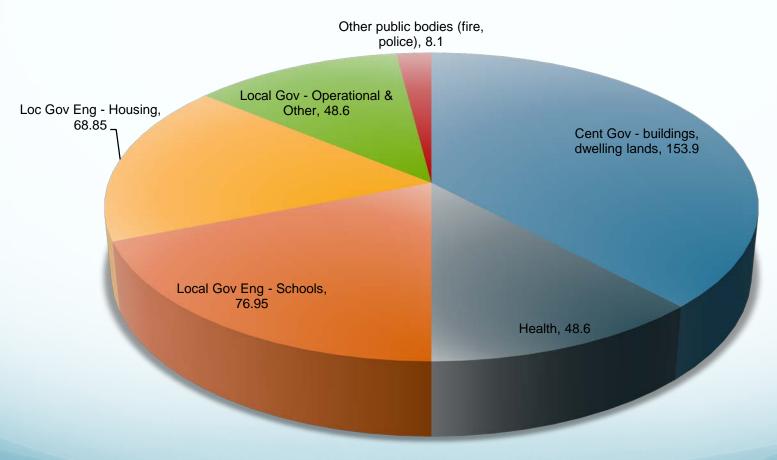
£1bn of sales through HCA since 2008 £1.7bn of sales by government 2010-15

#### **Revenue from Social Housing Sales**





# Value of Public Land & Property - WGA



Total - £406bn

## Correcting Value of Public Land

- Council Housing
  - 1.6 million houses valued at £69bn
  - Revalued at £296.5bn
    - Based of capitalising rental income over 30 years
- Public Land for Development
  - Assuming total holdings of 750,000 ha and that 5% is suitable for housing development
    - 37,500 ha worth £258.75bn
- Revised Total £912bn

### Proposal

- Create a network of regional/urban land trusts
- Consolidate all public land holdings (central government, local authority & public bodies) into the trusts
  - Including the Crown Estate
- Professionally managed public sector land and property to ensure that it is best utlised per the social purpose of the trusts
- Their aim would be to hold all public land in perpetuity, ensure adequate housing built and acquire additional land

## **Key Powers**

- 1. Build social housing on public land
- 2. Acquire additional land at existing use value
- 3. Borrow money to build social housing and to acquire land
- 4. Lease surplus land to the private sector for residential and commercial development
- 5. Own all land in trust for the community

### Inspired By

- Crown Estates
  - Land and Property trusts are viable and effective
  - Land and Property can be most effectively managed by looking beyond pure financial metrics
  - Complex institutional structures are best established through an act of Parliament
- Place Partnership
  - Combining the management of public land and property, even at a small scale, has already been shown to deliver a number of benefits
    - Improved service delivery
    - Cost Savings
    - Produces vacant land and property which can be put to other uses
- Garden City Movement
  - Separating Freehold ownership from the right to occupy a property permanently, generates a steady income

### QUESTIONS ???