

## **Planning Performance Agreements: Evaluating the Experience to Date**

You will be aware that in following up the recommendations of the Killian Pretty review, CLG committed themselves to taking steps to further encourage the use of Planning Performance Agreements (PPAs) and encouraging local government to develop and share best practice.

A PPA is a framework agreed between a local planning authority and a planning applicant for the management of complex development proposals within the planning process. A PPA allows both the applicant and the planning authority to agree a project plan and programme which will include the appropriate resources necessary to determine the planning application to a firm timetable.

The Government considers pre-application discussions to be critically important, benefiting both local planning authorities and applicants. The clear project plan approach of PPAs is a useful tool in this process. With this in mind CLG are keen to better understand the current take up and any barriers to take up of PPAs.

CLG are working with the Advisory Team for Large Applications (ATLAS) and Tribal Consulting to explore with Local Planning Authorities, developers, key stakeholders and other advisers to the industry their understanding and experience of using PPAs and what has been learnt from that experience.

The Tribal team is currently at the information gathering phase and have launched a large scale on-line survey to explore the use and experience of PPAs further.

We would be grateful if you could complete one of the following short electronic questionnaires, identifying that which is relevant to your position within the planning industry:

### **Local Planning Authorities**

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RPFSJSD>

### **Stakeholders**

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9KLLK29D>

### **Advisers**

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9KWPQFZ>

### **Developers**

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CXM9XQP>

This questionnaire has been designed to minimise the demands on your time, taking around 5-10 to complete and can be easily submitted online. We recognise that the success of this study

depends on receiving frank input from contributors. We anticipate that most of our reporting will be in aggregate. However, it may be helpful to include some direct quotations from what respondents have said; a specific request will be made where we wish to do so.

The work is an important mechanism for understanding how the PPA process is operating in practice and where changes or further guidance to the system may be required.

If you have any questions about the questionnaire or the wider research programme please contact the Tribal team at [ppa@tribalgroup.co.uk](mailto:ppa@tribalgroup.co.uk)