

CLC News Release

04.02.2022 How Smart is the UK Housing Sector? CLC Launches Latest Smart Construction Dashboard

New data shows that the house building sector is getting smarter as it continues its journey toward more, better quality, and increasingly sustainable homes

Today sees the publication of the Construction Leadership Council's Smart Construction dashboard for housing. This dashboard – now in its third year - shows how the house building sector is making progress against key targets.

In 2020, despite the challenges of Covid 19, house builders have cut the time taken on site to build a house by nearly a quarter, while waste has been reduced by 15 per cent.

The dashboard draws on data developed by RICS, BRE, Cast, NHBC, CITB, LC Journey and Mott MacDonald and Ekkist.

It is intended to demonstrate the performance of the housing sector, and encourage developers, local authorities and housing associations to develop the evidence to demonstrate the power of smart construction. A key aim was that suppliers and customers could then use the information to make data driven decisions to improve productivity, sustainability and health and safety in manufacturing and construction.

3 new measures have been introduced for 2020:

- · Digital maturity of the housing sector
- Apprenticeship levels
- Circular Economy

Simon Cross, Chair of the CLC Metrics, Demonstrations and Business Case Working Group said: "Our dashboard shows the significant outcome-based improvements by the housing sector in this health affected year, but there is still a long way to go, including a necessity to focus on digital maturity, designing for people's health and increasing pre-manufactured value

"I feel sure that combining a digital and MMC approach, whilst considering whole life performance will drive the UK housing sector to world class status"

Notes for Editors

A copy of the 2020 dashboard is available here.

About the Construction Leadership Council (CLC)

The CLC's mission is to provide sector leadership to the construction industry. The expanded CLC has twelve workstreams that operate collaboratively to address the biggest issues facing the sector. Workstreams include skills and inclusion, building safety, Net Zero and business models. The CLC is co-chaired by Lee Rowley MP, Minister for Business and Industry, and Andy Mitchell CBE, CEO of Thames Tideway.