

## ?Matrix chosen as part of £1.36bn Government scheme



The Matrix Housing Partnership is to build hundreds of new homes at a cost of almost Â£100 million across the region as part of Government plans to deliver around 46,500 new affordable homes outside London.

The Partnership has one of the largest allocations of the housing associations, local authorities, and developers to receive a share of Â£1.3 billion to deliver new affordable housing.

Led by the Accord Group, the partnership will build 664 new homes in Birmingham, Redditch, the Black Country, Staffordshire, and Worcestershire. Work on the homes will start in 2018 and will be completed by 2021.

The new homes, for which Matrix has received Â£18 million to build in grant from the Homes & Communities Agency, will be in addition to 1,200 new homes that the partnership is already building. Importantly, it is estimated that as many as 3,270 jobs could be created as part of the work as well as up to 25 apprenticeships.

**Dr. Chris Handy, Chair of the Matrix Housing Partnership Strategy Group, said:** *“It’s vital that we build more homes to meet the increasing demand for affordable homes of all types, and the Matrix Partnership is delighted to have secured this funding.*

*“We have a strong track record of building high-quality homes that regenerate neighborhoods and create jobs. The allocation will help us support the Black Country Garden City aspirations as well as a wider contribution to building homes for the future.”*

The Matrix Housing Partnership is made up of the Accord Group, Rooftop, Trent & Dove, Trident Social Investment Group, Watmos Community Homes, The Pioneer Group and Black Country Housing Group.

Together the partnership manages more than 29,500 homes and provides a range of services to people across the Midlands and the South West.

For more information about the Matrix Housing Partnership go to [matrixhousing.org.uk](http://matrixhousing.org.uk)