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Extract from a redacted letter from Kit Malthouse MP, Minister of State for Housing: June 2019

"This Government is committed to making the housing market work for everyone and to increasing access to home ownership. We recognise that Rent to Buy can help people to achieve this.

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"In the revised NPPF, we expanded the definition of affordable housing to include a greater range of affordable routes to home ownership, including Rent to Buy. There are no specific or implicit barriers in existing planning policy or guidance that would prevent local councils from accepting Rentplus properties as affordable housing. This is demonstrated by Rentplus having reached agreement on the properties it has secured to date."

KIT MALTHOUSE MP