

- 1.15 **"Local Connection Criteria"** means criteria set out in the City Council's First Homes Planning Policy Statement dated June 2021 which specifically states that the criteria are met by a person who satisfies one or more of the following:
- 1.15.1 having resided in Devon for EITHER:
- (a) six of the last twelve months;
  - (b) three out of the last five years (where residence has been out of choice); OR
  - (c) service personnel who have been based and living in Devon.
- 1.15.2 having had permanent work in Devon:
- (a) with a minimum of a 16 hour per week contract for the previous 6 months;  
AND
  - (b) without a break in the period of employment for more than three months.
- 1.15.3 having family connections in Devon where EITHER:
- (a) the applicant, or a member of their household has parents, adult children or brothers or sisters who have been resident in Devon for at least the last 5 years; OR
  - (b) in any other circumstance, where agreed in writing with the City Council, where the residence of relatives other than those listed above are to be taken as establishing a local connection.
- 1.15.4 having had special circumstances for moving to Devon because of particular special needs such as including (but not limited) to where the only/most appropriate treatment available for a specific medical condition is based in Devon.
- 1.15.5 Such other local connection criteria as may be published by the City Council from time to time as its First Homes "Local Connection Criteria" and which is in operation at the time of the relevant disposal of the First Home and for the avoidance of doubt any such replacement criteria in operation at the time of the relevant disposal of the First Home shall be the "Local Connection Criteria" which shall replace the criteria above and apply to that disposal.