

## **Berneslai Homes enter the UK's Top 20 Social Landlords list**

Berneslai Homes are delighted to have made the Top 20 Social Landlords list, produced by 24housing.

The list reflects social landlords up and down the country who are committed to making good quality service a priority and taking resident concerns seriously. As well as making the Top 20 list, Berneslai Homes were one of five ALMOs who made the list, with fellow ALMO, Homes in Sedgemoor being named as number one social housing landlord.

Working together for a better Barnsley, Berneslai Homes achievements include: delivering excellent core services with an overall 89% satisfaction; offering value for money of which £600k through digital first initiatives; early help and prevention – working with young carers and Dr Barnardo's, mental health workers 992 interventions; and opening 5 dementia cafes and 9 community gardens and allotments; and increasing housing supply with 58 acquisitions including long term empties and conversion of ex nurses accommodation and first self-delivery new build scheme.

Berneslai Homes Chief Executive Helen Jaggar adds: "We are all about 'Town Spirit' and 'Doing the Right Thing' for our tenants and it's great that we have been recognised for this nationally. I would like to say big congratulations to Homes in Sedgemoor for making the top spot this year."

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### **Editors notes:**

**Berneslai Homes** is the Council's housing company responsible for managing 18,500 homes on their behalf and we're all about delivering for Barnsley. We have a track record for excellent performance at value for money cost and in 2015 the Council extended the service agreement for a further five years from April 2016 to March 2021 with the ability for rolling five year extensions. In 2017 we achieved Investors In People Gold Standard, for the second time and were named as number one in the UK's Top 50 social landlords list by 24 housing. We work closely with many partner agencies within the Sheffield city region.

Berneslai Homes employs just under 500 employees and is run by a board comprising of a Chair, three tenant members; three councillors; and three independents.