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Starter homes

DCLG has published 'Starter Homes Design', an initial set of starter home exemplars put together by the Design Advisory Panel.



Security of doors and windows

'Approved Document Q: Security – Dwellings', will come into force on 1 October 2015.

Historic England

A new public body has taken over planning and conservation services from English Heritage.



Space standard

The government has published a 'Nationally Described Space Standard' for new dwellings.

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[Construction Manager 10 April](#)

Bechtel granted permission for the use of drones on construction sites in the USA.

[GCR 8 April](#)

The nbs BIM toolkit public beta is now live and ready for you to test.

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Work will start on the £2bn New Covent Garden Market development in the summer.

[Construction Enquirer 9 April](#)

Nathaniel Lichfield & Partners report finds that local plan progress has been marginal over the last three years.

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