

## Mark visits MK's newest estate

Mark Lancaster has seen the future of Milton Keynes take shape during a visit to the city's newest development.

The city MP took a trip to the 360-acre site Brooklands, on the eastern flank, which will see 2,500 new homes developed over the next 15 years, alongside schools, green spaces and retail and business space.

Almost a year since the Milton Keynes North MP first went to the site, he was pleased to be able to look around the show homes and learn that the first few families had moved in.

Simon Elcock, Project Developer at Places for People, showed Mr Lancaster around the site, which already includes 39 acres of parkland.

Mr Lancaster, who has long campaigned for infrastructure before expansion, or 'I before E', said: "I was delighted to see that Places for People have invested in the infrastructure first by ensuring a fantastic primary school, motorway ridge and parkland were already in place before the housing was built. This is something I have been calling on other developers to do. The planting of 30,000 trees means Brooklands is very much in the same vein as our green city and the houses on offer will no doubt attract many people to Milton Keynes."

Mr Lancaster was impressed not only by the mix of housing on offer – ranging from two bedroom apartments and mews cottages to five bedroom detached homes – but also the extensive financial options available: from shared ownerships to equity loans and rental options.

Mr Elcock said: "We are extremely proud of Brooklands. We are investing in cutting edge fibre technology to deliver super fast broadband to the homes, as well as parks, ponds and play areas, all with the goal of making Brooklands a truly attractive place to live. As a result of this approach we're seeing strong demand for our new homes from local people."