

CORE SKILLS

- Site Feasibility
- Business Planning
- · Development Modelling
- Organisational design
- Group Facilitation
- Report Prepration
- Public Presentation
- Research
- Leadership Coaching

DETAILS

Location:

South East

Qualifications:

BA Architecture (RIBA pt 1)

PgDip Architecture (RIBA Pt 2)

MA Development and Emergency Practice

Chartered Institute of Housing

CHARLIE FISHER

Stewardship and Business Planning

PROFILE

Charlie Fisher specialises in guiding organisations through the formation, finance and design stages of projects, with a focus on community land trusts and co-operatives. Having formally trained as an architect, he is currently a Strategic Designer for Dark Matter Labs working on research and demonstrator projects on the future of real assets. In 2022 he co-founded Oasa, a non-profit developer and land regeneration trust based in Switzerland.

Charlie is an accredited Citizen-led Housing Technical Advisor (Chartered Institute of Housing) and One Planet Living Integrator (Bioregional). This involves building capacities within citizen-led organisations across many years on group dynamics, decision-making, housing finance, incorporation approaches, legal structures, stakeholder mapping, business planning, and visioning. Charlie co-founded Collaborative Housing in 2017, a government-funded project to support the growth of community-led housing in the three Thames Valley counties of Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Buckinghamshire.

Recent consultancy projects include acquisition support for an urban site in Birmingham (2023), governance design for a 30ha regenerative village site in Portugal (2023), stewardship planning for a large urban fringe site in Oxford with Christ Church College (2022), and a report on stewardship and ownership for a District Council on the Salt Cross Garden Village in Oxfordshire.

Charlie has a range of research-based training in qualitative and quantitative methods through the Oxford Brookes PhD programme. He has conducted research for Power to Change, CAF Venturesome, Joseph Rowntree Charitable Trust and local authorities in the South of England. In addition Charlie sat on the expert advisory panel for the Power to Change Homes in Community Hands Programme, and is currently part of the Research & Teaching Group of the international non-profit The Centre for Community Land Trust Innovation to which he is also an adviser.

Charlie is undertaking a PhD in spatial planning at Oxford Brookes on the marketisation of citizen-led housing projects.