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Acis give Code 5 all systems go

Lincolnshire based housing association Acis Group are looking to keep a close eye on the environment with their latest new homes in the town of Gainsborough.

On the Riseholme Road development, a Code Level 4 and a Code Level 5 home are being built. Code Level 4 is due to become the standard for affordable housing from 2011 and requires a 44% reduction in CO2 emissions. To achieve this improvement from Code Level 3, air source heat pumps are used and insulation levels upgraded in the ground floor, external walls and roof, along with the use of enhanced thermal bridging.

By 2013 Code Level 5 will become the standard and requiring a 100% reduction in CO2 emissions. Solar panels, photovoltaic panels and a mechanical heat recovery ventilation system are being installed in addition to the insulation levels already used for Code 4.

The £7.5million scheme will eventually create more than 70 much needed affordable homes when complete thanks to £3million of funding from the Homes and Communities Agency and a further £4.5million of investment from Acis themselves. Acis appointed Lincolnshire-based construction group Lindum to carry out the work, which began in February 2009.

The two 'show case' homes are being built as part of the 74 houses, bungalows and flats on the site at Park Springs. Acis, who own and manage over 5,000 homes across Lincolnshire, Nottinghamshire and South Yorkshire, recently handed over the keys to some of their new residents of the development on Riseholme Road, with more to follow in May.

Further information about Acis and their new homes is available by calling freephone 0800 027 2057.