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Local Jobs for Local People

I see CLG announced new projects [shortlisted for Kick Start funding](#) yesterday.

When I last [wrote about housing](#), I commented on my concerns about the move towards 'local homes for local people' as an allocation criteria for social housing. Interestingly, I noticed in the latest announcement for Kickstart that it will be a condition "of getting this Government money that all builders of recruitment of local people".

So, in the housing market, we are moving towards a policy of local jobs for local people on the supply side and local homes for local people on the demand side? Most international economists argue that this kind of tit-for-tat behaviour at the national level makes everybody worse off, so how odd to see a national government encouraging it at the local level.

Posted by [Prof Henry G. Overman](#) on [Thursday, December 17, 2009](#)

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marion said...

I recently came across your blog and have been reading along. I thought I would leave my first comment. I don't know what to say except that I have enjoyed reading. Nice blog. I will keep visiting this blog very often.

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