

Six months trading update period ended 30 September 2025



LiveWest trading update for the six months ended 30 September 2025

LiveWest issues its unaudited group trading update for the six months ended 30 September 2025, with comparatives to the unaudited position for the six months ended 30 September 2024 and audited position for the 12 months ended 31 March 2025.

Financial and operating performance

Turnover for the period has increased by £1m to £155m (2024: £154m) with higher social rents of £9m and shared ownership sales of £1m being offset by lower volumes of open market sales of £9m.

Operating costs have increased by £5m to £121m (2024: £116m). This reflects an increase in maintenance and management costs and shared ownership cost of sales. These increases were largely offset by a reduction in open market cost of sales, due to a lower volume of sales.

Net interest payable increased by £1m to £19m (2024: £18m) reflecting an increase in overall loan balances.

Whilst we continue to experience cost pressures, our effective cost control has ensured that our social housing letting margin has remained largely consistent at 26% (2024: 27%). The increased interest costs and reduced open market sales and margins has resulted in a decrease in our surplus for the period of £2m to £24m (2024: £26m).



Statement of comprehensive income

	6 months	6 months	12 months
	Sep-25	Sep-24	Mar-25
	£m	£m	£m
Turnover	155	154	310
Operating costs	(121)	(116)	(242)
Surplus on disposal of properties	9	6	16
Operating surplus	43	44	84
Net interest payable	(19)	(18)	(34)
Other	-	-	1
Surplus for the period	24	26	51

Operating surplus







Financial indicators

	6 months	6 months	12 months
	Sep-25	Sep-24	Mar-25
Operating margin on social housing lettings	26%	27%	25%
Gross profit margin on shared ownership sales	18%	24%	23%
Gross profit margin on open market sales	7%	20%	17%
Sales as percentage of turnover	12%	18%	17%

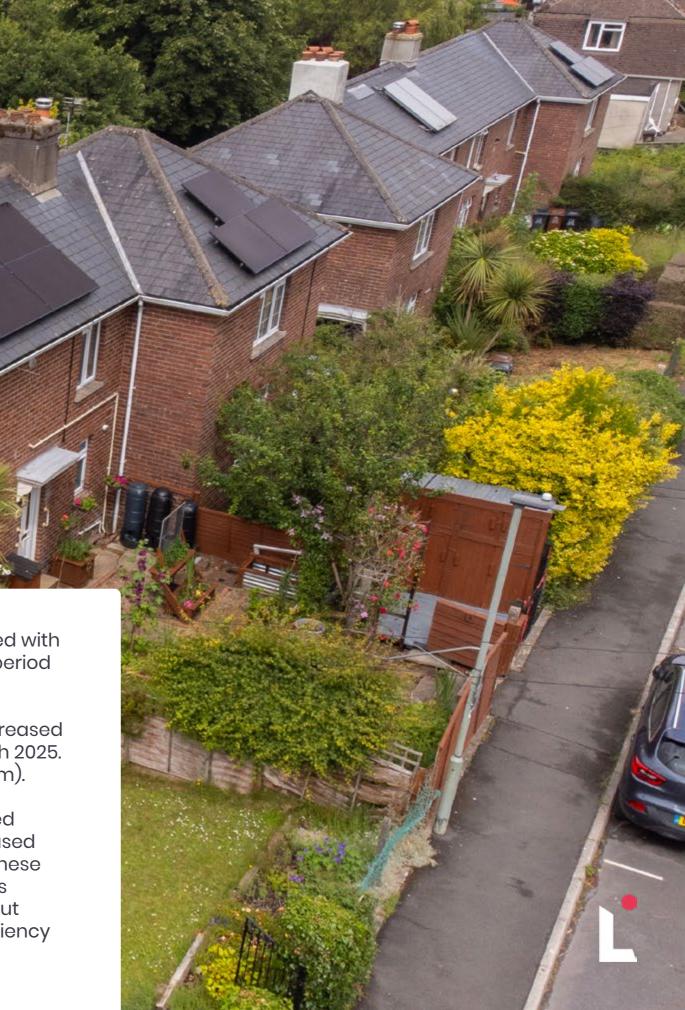
Demand for shared ownership homes remains strong which is reflected by an increase in sales to 121, compared to 102 in 2024. However, our margins have decreased due to a change in the mix of sales. As at 30 September 2025, we had 40 completed shared ownership homes, of which 10 were unreserved (2024: 71 stock units, 23 unreserved).

The ongoing challenges in the housing market have resulted in contractors slowing open market development volumes, leading to reduced numbers of homes for sale. As a result, sales of open market homes (our share only, if part of a joint venture) totalled 23 units for the period, compared to 51 in 2024. Despite these challenges, the unsold stock position remains low with 6 completed open market homes, of which 2 were unreserved (2024: 7 stock

units, 4 unreserved). Rising construction costs, coupled with a change in the mix of our open market sales in the period has led to a decline in our margins.

Housing Properties cost (net of depreciation) has increased to £2,720m at September 2025 from £2,637m at March 2025. Net Debt has increased to £1,177m (March 2025: £1,106m).

Void losses for our general needs properties remained consistent at 0.58% (2024: 0.58%). Rent arrears decreased to 2.18% (2024: 2.48%) and the average time to re-let these homes improved to 33.3 days, compared to 34.6 days in 2024. We continue to use the void period to carry out planned maintenance and enhance the energy efficiency of our housing stock.



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Liquidity

At 30 September 2025, liquidity was £294m, consisting of available undrawn facilities of £287m, and available cash of £7m.

Development

314 affordable homes were handed over in the period (2024: 265). We have a contracted pipeline of 2,397 affordable homes (March 2025: 2,161).

Building safety

At 30 September 2025, 99.99% of homes had a valid Gas Safety Certificate (March 2025: 100%). 100% of homes had Fire Risk Assessments (March 2025: 100%) and 99.98% of rented homes met the Decent Homes Standard (March 2025: 99.99%).

Board and Executive Team changes - six months to September 2025

Tom Vaughan resigned on the 26 May 2025 having served his maximum tenure of nine years, John Newbury replaced Tom as the Chair of the Customer Services committee.

There were no changes to the Executive Team.

There were no changes to the Board of LiveWest Treasury plc.





86.7%

Overall customer satisfaction



74.4

Average SAP rating



100%

New affordable homes developed EPC B and above

Environmental and social indicators

Customer satisfaction is 86.7% (March 2025: 85.9%). 100% affordable homes developed in the period were EPC B rated or above (March 2025: 100%) with an average EPC Rating of 74.4 (March 2025: 74.2).

LiveWest Rating

LiveWest Homes Ltd is rated A2 (stable) by Moody's (November 2024) and is rated C1/G1/V1 (March 2025) by the Regulator of Social Housing.

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