

# New housing links with Boston, MA



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Great to be able to show @BrianGolden2 of @BostonPlans success of @skainos w @Choice\_Housing @EastBelMission @belfastcc @NIFHA



*Brian Golden of Boston Plans (second from right) meeting Jon Anderson (Choice), Gary Robb (East Belfast Mission) and Gerry Millar, Belfast City Council, at the Skainos Centre*

Last week Brian Golden Director of [Boston Planning & Development Agency](#) visited Belfast. This agency has a role to oversee development of affordable housing in the city of Boston.

Following a request from [Belfast City Council](#), NIFHA chief executive Ben Collins arranged for him to view the former Mersey Street Primary School residential scheme by [Connswater Homes](#) and the [Choice](#) scheme at Skainos. Mr Golden was impressed by the quality of housing provision and has invited people from the sector to visit Boston, to see how they are delivering affordable homes.



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Showing great regeneration work by @ConnswaterHomes at former Mersey St Primary School site to @BrianGolden2 @BostonPlans @nifha



Brian Golden of BostonPlans (on right) being shown around the former Mersey St Primary School site by Gerry Miller, Belfast City Council and Bridgeen McCormick, Connswater Homes

There is a possibility for a joint trip with Belfast City Council to explore this. If you would like to register your interest in this please email NIFHA communications officer [Sue Doherty](mailto:Sue.Doherty@nifha.org).