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## people interested in buying land.....

Posted by becabwca - 2009/08/06 15:04

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hi

we are a family based in south east wales looking for somewhere to build a home. we have recently come accross a few pieces of land for sale that we could never afford alone, but that would be very affordable if bought by a group of people each with £10,000-£30,000. some of the land for sale we have seen has had planning already in place. ie. 5 plots with planning for around 90,000.

so, i thought if there are people in a similar situation, we could all look out and alert, and maybe even buy, together, and then help each other self-build.....

so if you are, say hello here or email me:

becabwca@hotmail.com

hope that makes sense.

beca

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## Re:people interested in buying land.....

Posted by becabwca - 2009/08/06 15:10

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hi

er, forgot to say, we would like to stay close to here but are willing to consider forest of dean, herefordshire and mid wales as well as south wales....

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## Re:people interested in buying land.....

Posted by becabwca - 2009/08/15 19:04

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hmmmmmm, maybe im talking to myself but ive actually found some land.....

2 lots actually, one is a set of 3x lots for what seem to be BIG houses, so the land should be reasonable sized.....offers in region of £75,000, so thats £25, 000 each. situ above rhayader....

there is also a set of barns adjacent with planning for a 3 and a 4 bed place, for more.....available as one lot too

other is a HUGE bit near welshpool somewhere.....planning for 21 houses and 4 respectively (in two lots....)if there were enough people in it could be amazing!

so there we go...

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## Re:people interested in buying land.....

Posted by jackson - 2009/08/19 23:03

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Hi Beca

Well done for doing the research and finding some land. This is exactly what needs to be done. We just need to get the message out to other people so they are also aware of what you have found, and what you want to do.

We had an amazing Glastonbury with loads of people expressing interest to build their own home, with over 100 people signing up for more info. I am going to send a message out to all members of the forum and the extra people from Glastonbury, and I will raise your message as something for them to look at. I can see it is really frustrating when it seems no-one is listening.

It might be worth putting some information up around where you live, to see if there are any local people who would be

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up for coming on board with similar ideas, etc. Maybe a leaflet in some of the local cafes or pubs??

The large site near welshpool sounds interesting. Good luck with it.

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## Re:people interested in buying land.....

Posted by John Russell - 2009/10/28 14:24

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Dear Beca and family,

I have only just joined Ecomotive having found out about it via "The Land" magazine and going on permaculture and low impact smallholding courses.

I have been looking for a house + garden to buy in various parts of South Wales for some months now and am struggling to find something somewhere with soul - with the money I have.

But I have certainly got very fond of South Wales, its towns, cities and villages and ins and outs! You see a lot of life from a campervan.

I am a single person wanting a basic house to make as self-sufficient/off-grid and low-impact as practicable and enough land/garden to grow food, maybe rear animals, make things, store wood.... I would be interested in self-build with a group.

I am no horticultural or building expert - far from it.

I am 62, am living in my campervan, and have two daughters 30 and 35, one in Scotland and one in Australia.

Anyway - I hope you are having success with your ideas and aspirations - just thought I'd use this forum to let you know I exist! and that I was impressed with your messages.

Yours and best wishes,

John Russell

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## Re:people interested in buying land.....

Posted by soulfingers - 2009/11/03 21:45

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Hello there!

Your project sounds very interesting, my partner and I have also been looking for some land where we can self-build, start a communal garden and possibly launch some creative ventures within a sustainable community.

We were both inspired by several communities that we discovered on our travels last year in New Zealand. We have a little experience in rural living and farming from our time spent as 'Wwoofers!' see [www.wwoof.org](http://www.wwoof.org) for more info.

At the moment we are in a similar position to yourselves, where we have access to some savings but not enough to afford to get the land and planning permission on our own. My partners parents may also be interested in coming on board if the location is right for them.

I am a professional videographer with a background in documentary, my partner is a artworker with experience in book publishing. We are both in our mid-twenties and currently picking up freelance work but in the long term we are planning to launch a startup business within a sustainable community of other creative enterprises and charitable organisations.

Would this be something that anyone here would be interested in getting involved with? Our project might not suit your vision but its still great that we've seen you and can share information related to getting land and planning permission. We are at an early stage of research and need all the help we can get... like where to start when looking for land for sale??

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## Re:people interested in buying land.....

Posted by becabwca - 2010/02/18 11:28

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Hi

apologies for not getting back to all those who've written until now-we have only just got back online after finding a home/moving etc etc....

so, as you may have guessed-we have bought a house! cant quite believe it really, we didnt have much of an option & really wanted somewhere that was our own, not rented etc. although not ideal, we love it, it is our home, it has some garden and a fireplace.....and was build well in the 30's so we are content here untill we outgrow it!

though, sods law, about 2 weeks afer we bought the house some land came up for sale that i KNOW i would have got planning on, however, there would have been a covenant on it that it would only allowed for affordable housing for 'local' people...so it woulnt have been good for a communal self build.

HOWEVER, we still live the dream that someday we will be able to build our own place and have some land to tend, and, we love the idea of building / becoming part of a community. more and more now that we have the kids.....the lammas project looks amazing and ideal and we would love to be part of something like that from the beginning-my husband is a carpenter, i am an artist/maker, blacksmith & grower. so we are both very practical & creative, we would like to build a permaculture or forest garden around our home-we are doing so now but have very limited space! so, yes, living a simple, natural life with an acre or 2, around like-minded people would be great!

we will continue to save for some land for the future-we do have One or 2 friends who wish to do the same, so please keep posting/looking/saving too!

i shal stop my rambling now...  
many thanks

beca

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