



NEW HOME: Cymdeithas Tai Clwyd housing officer Ffion Whitham hands over the keys to Andy Howell, his wife Sian and children Nia and Jack.

Fresh start for families

THE first residents have moved into one of the affordable homes bought using funding from the National Assembly for Wales.

The Howell family received the keys to their new property in Victoria Gardens, Wrexham, last week.

The house is one of 17 properties bought by local housing associations to deliver more affordable housing to people in Wrexham.

Earlier this year Wrexham was awarded a £1.46m grant from the Assembly's Strategic Capital Investment Fund (SCIF).

The money was used to provide more affordable homes for people in Wrexham by buying newly built homes throughout the county borough.

The authority works with Pennaf Housing Association, Cymdeithas Tai Clwyd, Wales and West and other housing associations to help deliver afford-

able housing in Wrexham.

Cllr Mark Pritchard, lead member for housing and planning, said: "This is excellent news and an excellent example of how, by working in partnership with local organisations, we can deliver more affordable housing for the people of Wrexham."

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