## Fund to help you build your own home



Building work in process. Picture by Nigel Duncan Media

A £4m self-build loan fund offering financial backing to people who want to build their own homes will be available from next year.

Housing Minister Kevin Stewart confirmed the fund was being set up following a successful pilot in the Highlands.

In addition, a Challenge Fund to support pilot projects that will help to expand the custom and self-build sector is now open for applications.

Mr Stewart said: "We know many people seeking to build a bespoke home, which is tailored to their family needs, can find it tough getting the right advice and securing funding.

"A pilot in the Highlands is proving to be really successful and now others in communities across Scotland will be able to apply for a share of this £4m investment later next year."