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89 winners in the UK; 89 limited edition AJ covers This cover Panter Hudspith, Bear Lane



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he housing sector was never going to provide many winners this year. The latest Glenigan report states that the underlying value of residential starts was 31 per cent lower for the three months to May compared to the same 2010 period. Just seven winning projects, two more than 2010, show that the recovery is going to be slow. The upside is quality. Barking Central's colourful mix of masonry and pannelised blocks, Bear Lane's medieval-like inhabited wall, and the cheerful terrace of PassivHaus social housing in Dunoon, suggest that major housebuilders have much to glean from these winning schemes.



1 SHARROW POINT PROJECT ORANGE

CLIENT: Neaversons
CONTRACT VALUE: £3.2 million, £1,108/m²
CITATION: A refreshing departure from
the typical suburban developments in
Sheffield. High-density townhouses,
apartments and commercial units have
been achieved for the remarkable cost of
just £1,108 per square metre, but it
doesn't show. The greatest interest lies
in the house plans. The homes boast
dynamic cross-sections with generous
balconies and terraces. See AJ 05.05.11
and AJBuildingsLibrary.co.uk YORKSHIRE





2 CLAREDALE STREET KARAKUSEVIC CARSON ARCHITECTS

CLIENT: Tower Hamlets
Community Housing
CONTRACT VALUE: £10 million, £196/m²
CITATION: Karakusevic Carson Architects
has carefully considered issues of public and
private space, creating active frontages to
streets, shared courts and private gardens
in this Bethnal Green retrofit development.
The overall sense of the development plan is
one of modesty, intelligence and sensitivity
to people and how they might live their lives.
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3 TIGH-NA-CLADACH GOKAY DEVECI ARCHITECT

CLIENT: Fyne Initiatives
CONTRACT VALUE: £2.4 million, £1,669/m²
CITATION: This colourful 14-home
development in Dunoon, Argyll, is the
first social housing in the UK accredited
by the German Passivhaus Institute that is
built with prefabricated super-insulated
I-beam roof and walls, and finished with
render on blockwork. An ingenious plan
and section of interlocking apartments
and houses is enhanced by roof terraces
on the link sections. See AJ 28.10.10 and
AJBuildingsLibrary.co.uk SCOTLAND





4 BARKING CENTRAL ALLFORD HALL MONAGHAN MORRIS & MUF

CLIENT: Redrow Regeneration (Barking) & London Borough of Barking & Dagenham CONTRACT VALUE: £72 million, £1,635/m² CITATION: The two-phase East London scheme includes a learning centre, retail space, a hotel, 500 apartments and, critically, extensive public realm works carried out with Muf. Each building is expressed through exuberant use of colour, texture and material shifts. A project accomplished with great wit, energy and aplomb. See AJS June 2009 and AJBuildingsLibrary.co.uk LONDON

5 BEAR LANE PANTER HUDSPITH ARCHITECTS

CLIENT: Galliard Homes
CONTRACT VALUE: £12 million, £1,359/m²
CITATION: Bear Lane, a terrace of tall brick
buildings in south London, has a crenelated
skyline and heavily articulated facades –
almost in the manner of the towers of
San Gimignano. It so elevates itself above
the benchmark of standard urban housing
that it is surprising to discover it is the result
of a volume house-builder, Galliard Homes,
operating through a Design and Build
contract. See AJBuildingsLibrary.co.uk
LONDON

6 NEWHALL PRIVATE HOUSING RICHARD MURPHY ARCHITECTS & ROGER EVANS ASSOCIATES

CLIENT: Newhall Projects
CONTRACT VALUE: £ 9.2 million, £1,271/m²
CITATION: The Roger Evans masterplan for
Newhall places housing generally at right
angles to the roads. Richard Murphy builds
on this idea using largely single-aspect
houses where the blind back wall of each
house helps to create the enclosure for a
private walled garden for its neighbour.
This is precisely the sort of thinking that
should be encouraged from other developers.
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7 GRANARY WHARF CAREYJONES CHAPMANTOLCHER, CZWG & ALLIES AND MORRISON

CLIENT: Isis Waterside Regeneration CONTRACT VALUE: £72 million CITATION: careyjones chapmantolcher's masterplan for the under-used Leeds wharf established a strong material palette for its three landmark buildings. Though their geometric expressions are very different, careyjones' 20-storey cylindrical residential tower, Allies and Morrison's red-brick hotel and CZWG's stepped residential block (pictured) complement each other, in form and in materiality. YORKSHIRE