

Beveridge Mews, Stepney Green, London, E1

Southern Housing Group
(SHG)

Designed by:
Peter Barber Architects

- Eight large family homes for social rent, completed March 2012
- Level 3 Code for Sustainable Homes
- Lifetime Homes Standard
- London Borough of Tower Hamlets
- Faithhorn Farrell Timms, employer's agent

"This has changed my family's life forever. Our children now have their own rooms and a place to study."

Mr. Abby, resident



This £1.9 million development in the heart of London's East End provides eight, large, bright and modern family homes, from three bedrooms up to seven bedrooms.

Each house has an outdoor terrace within the footprint of the property. The scheme was shortlisted for the 2013 Royal Institute of British Architects Stirling Prize and the UK Housing Design Awards.

The site

Built on land previously occupied by disused garages, the site is part of an area of housing transferred to SHG from a small, local housing association in the 1980s.

Close to the Mile End Road and Whitechapel with its tube stations, bus routes, shops, cinema and other amenities, the development is 'zero parking'.

The homes

The striking new timber-shingled terrace forms one side of a community garden. The homes are configured as a series of stepped and notched south- and east-facing garden terraces.

Each house has a private entrance courtyard with glazed screens leading into a light and airy living area and separate kitchen/diner.

First- and second-floor bedrooms have terraces and balconies looking out over the garden.

The total floorspace for the different sized homes ranges from 102 sq m up to 189 sq m. Average rents are £150 per week.

NHBC carried out regular checks throughout the 18-month build period and contributed to a very robust inspection process, which helped ensure the overall success of the project.

Low-carbon living

The homes adopt a 'fabric first' approach to energy efficiency, with high standards of thermal insulation, mechanical ventilation with heat recovery and low-energy fittings.

The occupiers

Designed to tackle problems of overcrowding in local multi-generation households, three families from the existing area were able to move into Beveridge Mews. The remaining homes were let to families nominated by Tower Hamlets Council.

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