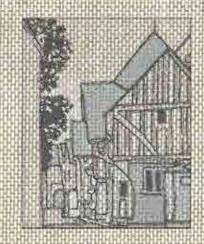
## LAVENHAM AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROPOSAL





#### A NEW HOUSING MODEL

Project Orange architects have designed an alternative housing scheme for the site off Melford Road based on the requirements further to the Housing Needs Survey. The intention was to see if there is an alternative cost effective model that may offer a more contemporary response to this special opportunity. We note that the density for the site is low, meaning there are generous gardens and a good sense of space between the homes.

Our approach was to consider what 'model' might provide an analogy for this edge of village site, rather than accepting the standard cul-de-sac solution. We considered the aspect and the aesthetic in our thinking, as well as cost and sustainable construction.

This design is based on the idea of a shared landscape, which is more akin to a (farm) yard. This means that there is less of a suburban feeling to the way the houses are laid out and the landscape in which they sit. When we look from above we notice that the field system around Lavenham is a patchwork of oddly shaped areas, as a result of history, geography and ownership. This creates a certain character that seems worth understanding. We also are drawn to the picturesque nature of the village, and in particular the dymanic roofscapes. The pitch of the roofs as well as the juxtaposition of the buildings gives a unique character to the village.

However we do not believe in just re-creating the past. This design takes the themes of the local vernacular and translates it to something more contemporary. Here the one bedroom house and the two bedroom house are co-joined to make a single element. This is to assist with the cost as well as the composition. The construction is basic block and brick with a rendered or limewashed finish, using exposed brick to create the base and the chimney.

We have replaced the garage with a more agricultural-style shelter, suggesting individual sheds within the gardens to keep equipment and gardening items. The entrance to the site is heavily planted and the surface is compacted gravel (similar to the surface in the Market Place).

Overall our aim is to create a sense of place that reflects the heritage of Lavenham, as well as a community that is connected, rather than separated, through the layout.

Project Orange, June 2016



- 1.2 kilometres from Lavenham Market Place
- Site area 0.54 Hectares
- 18 New Homes

#### SITE PHOTOGRAPHS











# LAVENHAM IS TRADITIONAL

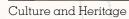






In the town







The Market Place

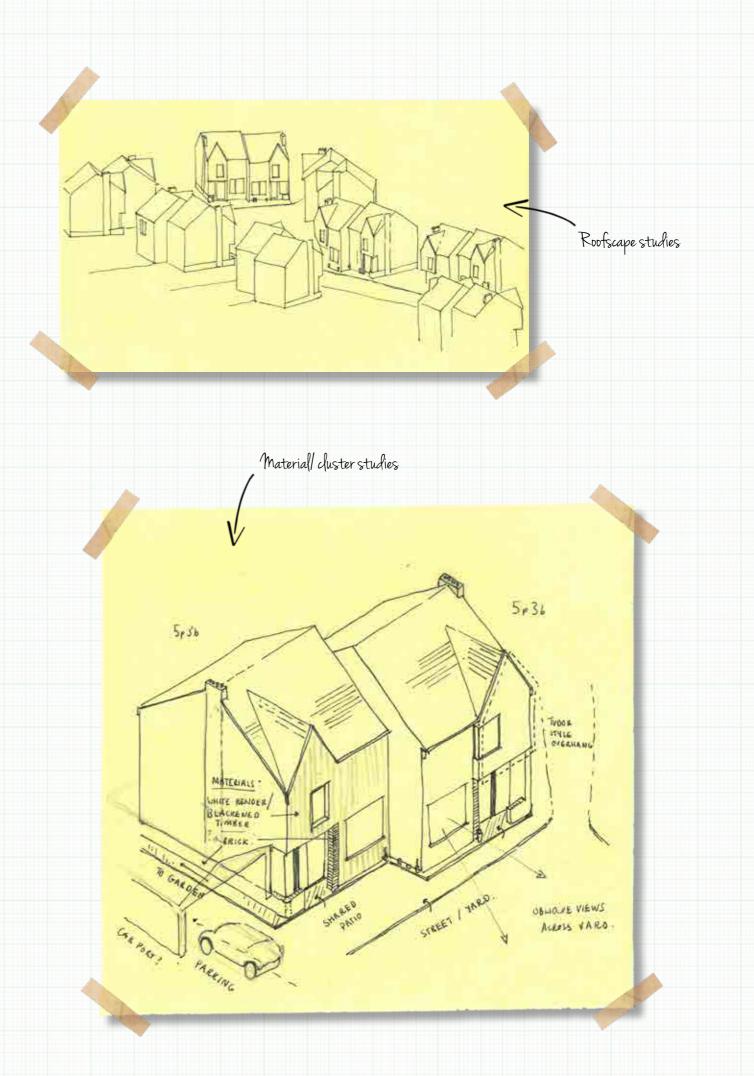




AND MODERN

#### SKETCHBOOK OF IDEAS

















































#### LANDSCAPE PLAN



Existing road leading to site. Main entrance in / out 'Woodland' at entrance with adjacent path for pedestrian entry / exit Refuse and bike shed with additional parking at front Car port providing semi-shelter

30 Parking spaces, with parking for guests

Rear shared terrace leading to outdoor dining area Pedestrian tree lined path in / out with seating area



View from main entrance

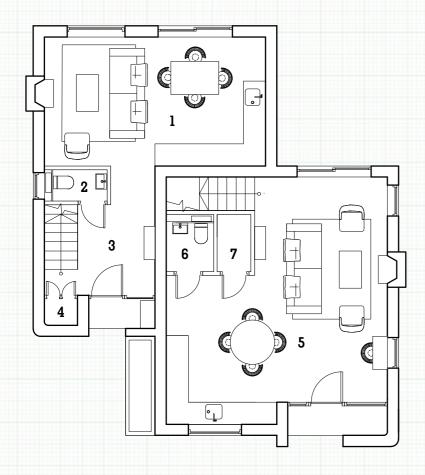


View from pedestrian entrance



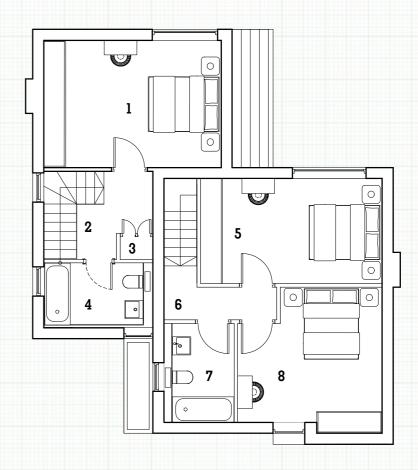
View from yard

#### **GROUND FLOOR PLAN**



- Kitchen/ Living Areα WC
- 2
- Entrance Hall 3
- Kitchen/ Living Area WC
- 6
- Store

### FIRST FLOOR PLAN



- Bedroom Landing
- Store
- Bathroom
- Bedroom 1
- Landing
- Bathroom

Bedroom 2

2 people 1 bed

58m<sup>2</sup> total

4 people 2 bed

82m² total

