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Hidden House
Project Orange Studio
Lavenham



This is the second book celebrating our projects in Suffolk and East Anglia. In 2021 we moved our studio to Hidden House in Lavenham, where we also live.

In these challenging times we are focusing our efforts on learning how to build more sustainably and to use local materials and labour. We recognise that our clients and those we work with also embrace the opportunity to make a difference. The projects shown on the following pages demonstrates our commitment to creating elegant and practical designs that pay attention to their surroundings. They are built to last and age gracefully with a light footprint. We are currently working on how to deliver zero carbon housing and collaborating with technical, ecological and landscape consultants to bring the best professional minds to the table.

Returning to Lavenham, we have been reflecting on the flexibility, repairability, and longevity of these crafted timber buildings, conceived 500 years ago, and discern an approach for the future. They have quietly demonstrated the resilience we need to tackle the climate emergency and we are their custodians.

Christopher Ash and James Soane

WHITES FARM, WHITES COLNE
NISSEN BARN, BRAINTREE
HOUSING, LEISTON
HIDDEN HOUSE, LAVENHAM
HOUSING, SOMERLEYTON
SELF-BUILD, INGOLDISTHPORPE
HOUSING, ASHBOCKING
PRENTICE STREET, LAVENHAM
SHELLEY BARN
OLD APPLECROFT FARM
PAVILION, FRITTON LAKE
ECO HOUSE, LAVENHAM
DOWER BARNS, CLOPTON
WASH FARM, FRAMLINGHAM
LAVENHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN























































OLD FORGE, SOMERLEYTON













MILL FARM FIELD, SOMERLEYTON

















SELF-BUILD HOUSING, INGOLDISTHORPE























PRENTICE STREET































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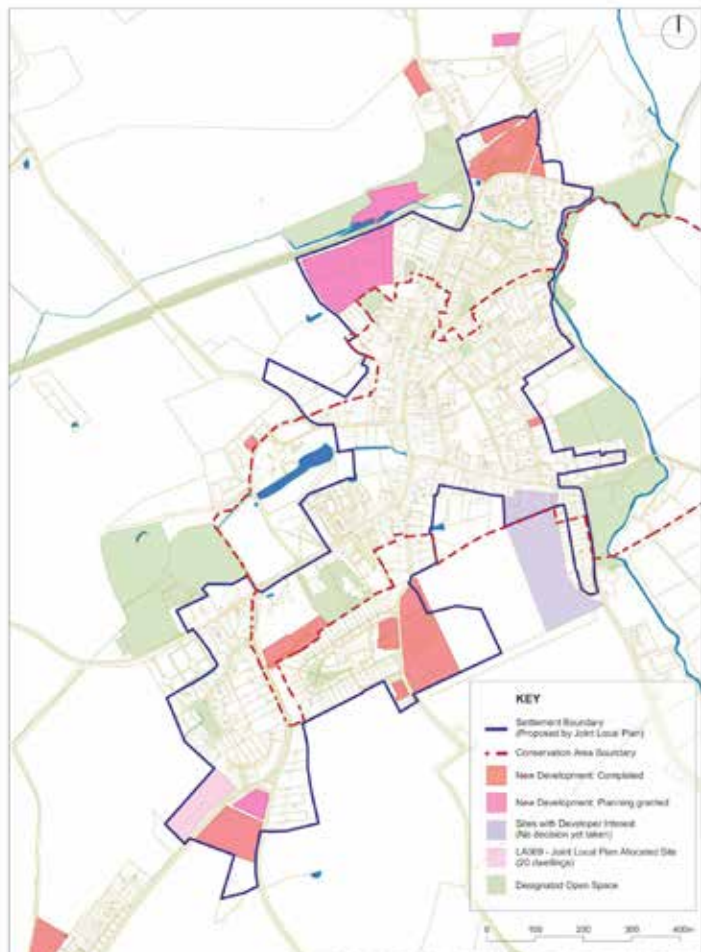




LAVENHAM DECLARES A CLIMATE EMERGENCY



LOOKING AFTER OUR VILLAGE FOR THE NEXT 500 YEARS



KEY

- Settlement Boundary (Proposed by Joint Local Plan)
- - - Conservation Area Boundary
- New Development: Completed
- New Development: Planning granted
- Sites with Developer Interest (No decision yet taken)
- LARPS - Joint Local Plan Allocated Site (GO buildings)
- Designated Open Space

PLAN OF LAVENHAM SHOWING NEW DEVELOPMENTS 2011-2021

How can our Neighbourhood Plan address the Climate Emergency? Below are some recently produced documents that we have been studying. They offer vision and leadership on what we can all do today.



We have 38 million energy inefficient homes in the UK, 80% of the buildings we will have in 2050 have already been built.

The UK has the oldest housing stock in Europe. In England, about 30% of houses – nearly 5 million – were built before 1980. While only a small proportion of these are listed buildings (at least 320,000, of which 125,000 date partly or even wholly from before 1700).

Lavenham has over 300 listed buildings.

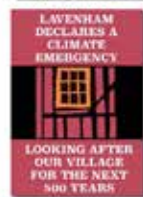
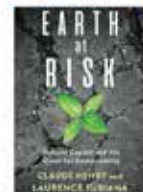
92% of respondents agreed we should be concerned about flooding in the village

Excerpts from the Residents Questionnaire

"In view of climate change and storm damage seen this year, Lavenham should prioritise plans for a potential food. Most properties in Lavenham have little or no insulation - double and triple glazing should be regularly checked as part of an overall food plan."

"We have to face reality. Solar panels should be allowed in the conservation area."

"Landscape policy needs to be stronger, need to protect the Brett Valley Special Landscape Area."



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"The effects of global warming are already visible in our small village and will need to be carefully managed to prevent real difficulties which may be ahead."

"Revision of the Plan needs to take into account the changing nature of our race for the environment, energy innovation and protection from pollution."

"The environment, nature and wildlife now need to receive proper focus from the plan as a policy direction."

We've produced more CO2 in the last 33 years than in all of human history before
(Bill McKibben)

Lavenham could declare a Climate Emergency. This may give us access to funding to upgrade the fabric of our heritage buildings and will strengthen our claim as a unique 'vulgar town'.

"Developing a neighbourhood plan offers a unique opportunity for your community to proactively set out a positive and ambitious vision for the future and increase your community's resilience in the face of the challenges associated with the climate emergency"

Don't just imagine change – make it happen!



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