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## exciting new developments in great cayman!

west bay apartments - sea view location

Located on the north-western corner to Grand Caymen the proposal seeks to provide for a high end residential condo's apartment scheme. Sea views and external balconies to all units, as well as open plan internal accommodation gives the spaces a real sense of luxury. Each unit is around 3,000sq ft of space.

Landscaping which required critical analysis to the location and is designed in such a way that should storm surge or hurricanes affect the site then there is a low level of work required to reinstate the site. The site has the provision for 12 car parking spaces, high levels of security and a communal resident's infinity pool. The lower ground floor is also a sacrificial level which 'allows' for potential water to come in to the site so as not to affect any habitable accommodation.

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**Residential Project, Wyboston.** Located in a the Wyboston Land Settlement Association (LSA) the site had some very specific and individual planning constraints. The LSA was a government run scheme from the 1930's to resettle unemployed workers from depressed post industrial regions of Britain.

Applicants were provided with 5 acre plots and a newly built cottage that formed part of a co-operative community scheme. The scheme progressed through various revisions but ultimately failed and was closed in 1983. The site has since been deemed as a heritage asset and because of this the existing workers cottage and general plot layout had to be retained.

We sought to undo the damage to the site and remove the existing low quality extension that surrounded the cottage and detracted from it. We replaced this with a high quality contemporary addition to the rear and side. In effect this promoted the existing restored cottage as a feature and provided a clearly legible site history. The use of corten cladding and bio-diverse walls & roofs contextualised the new additions into their semi agricultural/semi residential setting.

The final scheme increased the existing two up, two down cottage to a contemporary 5 bedroom home with annex outbuildings and minimal impact on the site. Our client has taken the project on as a self build and is now on site, working towards completion in the near future.

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We are delighted to announce that we have recently received planning permission for **Picts Hill Cottages**; the site is located adjacent to a listed property and the cottage itself is considered a non designated heritage asset. Despite the constraints we assembled a strong consultant team and formulated a design approach that brought the clients long standing dialogue with the local authority to a successful close.

The proposed extension is contemporary in style, creating a clear distinction between old and new. This approach has been adopted to preserve and repair the heritage of the site whilst simultaneously creating a high quality legacy for future generations.

The house has been passively designed to respond to the sites environmental conditions and our clients are keen for the proposals to attain a high level of sustainability.

We look forward to seeing the project progress over 2013.



Last month we were lucky enough to take part in *Build It Live*, the UK's newest exhibition designed for self builders, home renovators and anyone wanting to create a bespoke home.

We will be exhibiting at *Grand Designs Live*, the UK's leading contemporary home show, which is opening it's doors from 4th - 12th May 2013 at ExCel London.

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