



Re-Format Review

It has been an exciting year, with record performance, significant milestones, and a strong portfolio of design work.

This year, we were proud to be selected as one of a handful of architectural practices to join the national framework for McCarthy Stone. This exciting partnership marks a major step forward in our expertise in the later living sector, with a strong pipeline of projects and an expanding presence in this dynamic field.

Our studio has been involved in several listed building projects this year, ranging from Historic England enabling works consent for the adaptive reuse of a significant listed estate by Richard Norman Shaw, a Grade II listed Wellness Hotel and Members Club in West Sussex, a new restaurant for renowned vegan restaurateur Farmacy in the Norland Conservation Area of Notting Hill, and the sensitive conversion of a historic Grade II* listed chapel in Chelsea.

We're honoured to have been shortlisted for a record number of awards this year, and the addition of new team talent has added depth to our practice, infusing fresh perspectives and energy into our work.

We look forward enthusiastically to 2025, with an expanding portfolio and a wealth of exciting projects on the horizon. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our clients, collaborators, and supporters, who have been integral to our journey.



River Itchen, Abbots Worthy

Image 1

The replacement dwelling is arranged as a development of the established farmstead by re-use of some of the existing structures. Designed to Passivhaus principles for net zero operation and the aspiration for energy self-sufficiency.



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Magdalen Road, Oxford

Image 2

We have gained planning permission for 6 replacement dwellings in Oxford. The design carefully ensures that the proposals do not cause overlooking and provide good quality private amenity spaces. The form is broken down to better reflect the scale and character of the surrounding buildings.



Wispers Estate, Midhurst

Image 4

We are delighted to have been granted detailed planning consent for the development of a residential scheme at a historical estate in the South Downs National Park. The development comprises a site wide rejuvenation plan to bring the historical buildings and landscape back to life.



North Lodge, Ditcham

Image 3

An extension project at a house dating back to 1890, designed by architect Walter Frederick Cave. Sited near to dense woodland and visible from several vantage points, the scheme aims to be discreet, concealing the enlarged footprint in the surrounding sloping landscape.



New Blendworth Centre

Image 5

Planning drawings have been submitted for a replacement facility building at the Blendworth Centre in Horndean that supports people over 19 with learning difficulties. The new modern building will be much better suited to the centre's needs and more sustainable to operate.



We continue to succeed in the South Downs. Below are but a few projects that have achieved planning consent in the last year.

A light industrial unit (Image 6) and drive through unit located just south of our offices in Petersfield. This permission follows the success on the neighbouring Buckmore Park site where approval was received for an urban logistics park set across 5 new industrial buildings.

Grade II listed Dunford House near Midhurst, won on appeal, and we now progress this to become an innovative Wellness Hotel and Members Club (Image 7).

Restoration and extension of a Grade II listed building at Hurst Farm, to form one cohesive family home (Image 8).

An extended dwelling linked by lightweight contemporary glazed flat roofed structures, providing an entrance lobby and garden room (Image 9).

A large rural dwelling located on the South Downs Way where the mass is broken down into a collection of single and two storey pitched roof forms. Materials comprise timber, flint and slate (Image 10).



A planning application has been submitted for the development of a high quality later living scheme on a site in a key position within Godalming.

Located within the designated town centre boundary and the Godalming Conservation Area, the designs were developed alongside the local authority and advisory groups to achieve a cohesive design solution.

The proposals comprise a total of 56 residential dwellings, a residents communal lounge, guest suites, a multi-activity space, a well being/treatment room and management facilities.



This year we were thrilled to attend several awards ceremonies where our projects were shortlisted.

Brewery House was also shortlisted at the AJ Retrofit & Reuse Awards.

Tews (Image 11), Harrier Way (Image 13), Harts Yard (Image 14), and Brewery House (Image 15) were shortlisted at the Housing Design Awards, with Brewery House receiving a special mention at the ceremony.

Prince's Mead School extension was shortlisted for the South Downs National Park Design Awards.



Old Market Gardens, Wimborne, by McCarthy Stone (Image 12) has won Best Retirement Scheme at the Housebuilder Awards 2024.

Comprising a main apartment building and smaller scale bungalow clusters, the development is formed as a community centred around a 'village green', transforming a part of Wimborne that was previously unsightly and underused, adjacent to the Conservation Area.





Sky House, West Harting

Image 17

Planning has been granted for a replacement family dwelling. The site constraints, principally the site topography and visual prominence in the area, proximity to designated Ancient Woodland and perceived overbearing nature of the previous refused application were instrumental in the development of the proposals.



Petersfield Town FC

Image 22

As part of our charity work, we provided design services pro bono for a new clubhouse for the Petersfield Town Juniors campus. The proposal will provide a community facility in support of the operation to provide revenue for football activities in Petersfield and surrounding areas. We are also pleased to continue our sponsorship of the U13 Girls Football team. Go Whirlpools!



Alitex, Petersfield

Image 24

Our project for Alitex is now complete. The new structure provides a welcome building to their site based just outside of Petersfield.

Conceived as a modern cart shed form to reference the agricultural surroundings, the building is clad in timber and standing seam aluminium, which contrasts neatly to the soft surrounding landscaping.

Team News

We are pleased to announce the promotion of Paul Gorzelak to Senior Architect, and welcome new starter Kathryn Waite also as Senior Architect. We also look forward to welcoming Josh Kabát-Rigelsford and Stuart Meadows as new starters shortly.

Congratulations to Chanida and Ivan who expect their first child in the summer of 2025.

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Site Progress

Images 18-20

Many projects have been progressing well on site throughout the year.

St Luke's Chapel in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea has commenced on site (Image 18). The religious building will be transformed into a modern home.

The expansion project at Loddon School (Image 19) will provide pupil bedrooms and communal facilities.

Eight semi detached houses on neighbouring sloping sites on the outskirts of Winchester (Image 20).



Treloyhan Manor, St Ives

Image 23

A modern self build family home is now complete in St Ives. This plot forms part of a wider site development in the grounds of Treloyhan Manor Hotel.

Overlooking the coast but in a woodland setting, this townhouse style allows fabulous views out to sea and connects the internal spaces with the surrounding landscape.

