



Hartnup Street, Maidstone

New build housing

Sprunt was appointed by Apex Contractors in May 2006 to assess the possibilities of the existing site for new build housing.

It had once been the site of the offices of the Hartnup family, who quarried local stone, which was used in the construction of some of the original buildings in Hartnup Street.

The site now consists of a redundant light industrial unit, workshop and offices set between terraced housing.

It originally sloped down very steeply to the rear but was levelled with fill up to seven metres in height when industrial units were built. Sprunt developed an innovative solution to remove the fill, to make the most of the site. The change in levels create two separate blocks of flats, with undercroft parking to the block at the rear.

The scheme provides a total of 27 flats in the two blocks all for social rent or shared ownership. The design creates a fresh, crisp modern look in contrast to the traditional surroundings while

using elements such as the local stone on the block facing the street.

Sprunt approached planners early and engaged them in the proposals. Local consultation was held on site.

A planning application was submitted in September 2006 and full planning approval was received in November 2007.



Location:
Maidstone, Kent

Client:
Apex Contractors

Project:
New build housing / flats

Value:
£3.5m

Status:
Planning approved

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