

CASE STUDY

Suffolk Design Hillington Square, King's Lynn

Location: Kings Lynn, Norfolk

No. of units: Refurbishment of 320 properties.

Architect: Mae Architects

Developer: Lovell Homes

Year of construction: 2019

BACKGROUND

- Built to provide housing for London overspill between 1967-71 and the £30m refurbishment is one of the biggest regeneration projects in King's Lynn.
- Remodelling of estate layout and public realm improvements.
- Refurbishment of 320 properties.
- Reintegrating the estate with the surrounding urban area.
- Improved liveability, appearance, wider public perception and desirability of estate.



KEY LEARNINGS

- 'Selective demolition' of key areas of estate to reveal surrounding context.
- Improved connectivity and reintegration of the estate with the town centre.
- New public spaces to encourage play and social interaction.
- Removal of continuous frontage of garages and reconfiguring elevations.
- Animating the edge of streets with balconies and activity.