Affordable Housing Development Programme

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Gwens Grove, Bearley



Part A	Scheme Profile

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Summary :	 Small-scale community-led 'Local Need' scheme involving redevelopment of site to accommodate a total of 7 affordable homes. Scheme has achieved high environmental and energy efficiency standards.
Context :	 Scheme promoted in response to a need identified via a local housing needs survey commissioned by the Parish Council. Location within West Midlands Green Belt and Arden Special Landscape Area. Edge-of-village setting, with nearby housing comprising predominately two-storey houses and some bungalows, built from the 1950's onwards. A pre-condition for the development was the re-provision of a play area, which took place on nearby land owned by Bearley Parish Council.
Description :	 Scheme involved re-development of former play area and garage block, previously owned by SDC and Orbit Group respectively. Compact site and restricted vehicular access required careful use of space and construction techniques to maximise capacity. Innovative modular construction methods delivered by a social enterprise contractor. Scheme Highly Commended in West Midlands Energy Efficiency Awards 2023.
Developer :	Warwickshire Rural Housing Association / Orbit Group
Date of practical completion :	August 2022
Affordable housing yield :	100%
Planning status :	 'Local Need' scheme on identified site. Planning permission granted October 2020. S106 Agreement applies local occupancy restrictions to all homes.
Planning reference(s) :	19/01245/FUL
Neighbourhood Plan :	Bearley
Site area / density :	0.25 ha / 28 dwellings per hectare
Affordable housing stock :	2 x 1 bed maisonettes; 2 x 2 bed bungalows; 2 x 2 bed houses; 1 x 3 bed house.
Affordable housing tenure profile :	All properties are for Social Rent
Funding :	Housing association own funds supported by Homes England and SDC grant

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Part C

Site Location Plan

