



Quality Homes for Lewisham Awards 1997

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 Lewisham Housing

Lewisham is a residential borough and housing dominates the landscape. Good housing is central to people's lives and well being. Lewisham Housing's purpose is to improve the quality of housing for the people of Lewisham. This year we introduced a prestigious new housing award - the first to be given by a local authority - to recognise the contribution made to our purpose by other people.

The first 'Quality Homes for Lewisham' Awards were made for residential developments completed in Lewisham in 1997. They were awarded for excellence in building design and construction, contribution to regenerating the borough, social benefit to the community and concern for the environment.

Overall Winner

Nubia Way, Downham - self build by Fusions Jameen Co-op in partnership with South London Family Housing Association. Designed by Architype

This exciting scheme of 13 houses is constructed using the Segal timber frame method - a post and beam structural system which is designed to be easier for previously unskilled self-builders.

The design is boldly modern - the muted colours of the wood blend harmoniously with the Downham Woodland Walk which runs past the site - and the specification is particularly environmentally friendly, including grass-covered roofs.

The self builders are all local black people with a recognised housing need. Training for the self builders and for other construction trainees from local colleges has been provided on site.















