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project name ■■■■

City-Living Apartments, East Quayside, Newcastle upon Tyne

project value ■■■■

£ 6.0 Million

description ■■■■

Browne Smith Baker won the commission to design this prestigious high specification £6 million housing scheme of 91 luxury apartments on the banks of the River Tyne in an open competition with over twenty other designers.

The imaginative scheme has seven stepped blocks ranging in size from three to six storeys. The apartments range in size from one and two bedroom apartments to three bedroom maisonettes. The penthouse flats have curved profile ceilings internally and command the best views across the River. Secure private car parking is provided in a semi sunken basements accessed from a private service road.

An extensive palette of materials has been used. The sandstone coloured profiled masonry blocks at the lower level provide a solid plinth and contrast to the red multi facing brickwork above. Buff brickwork is used at the higher level to act as a foil to the curved profile of the copper clad roofing. Balconies are given emphasis with stainless steel perforated screens with tubular handrail both in a curved profile.

The apartments are based on a catalogue of energy conservation principles, from simple and effective design elements such as extra insulation, orientation for passive solar gain to low level heating and effective but not excessive ventilation. The scheme has been an enormous commercial success. The first block of apartments were sold within 10 minutes of going on the market. The penthouse apartments are valued in excess of £250,000.

client ■■■■

Wimpey Homes Ltd

main contractor ■■■■

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