

Lathams

Home on Sydnop Hill

Darley Dale



Client: Private
Value: Approx £0.5 million

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ARCHITECTURE

CONSERVATION

URBANISM

A project embedded in its context

An innovative new dwelling approved under the paragraph 55 policy of the National Planning Policy Framework which stipulates the need for outstanding and exceptional design.

Through an explorative and iterative analysis and development process, the design team, which included Re-Form Landscape has provided a solution which is intrinsically linked to the site context, heritage and environment.

The dwelling appears like a series of barns and constructed using prefabricated panels made from straw harvested from the site itself. The experimental approach of this project enabled Lathams to test various cladding options and led to an investigation of using charred timber to clad the barns. This unusual finish helps protect the dwelling from rot, fire, infestation and fungal growth. It also is low maintenance and consistent in terms of finish and colour.

"The dwelling was imagined as a series of barns which respond to the site in specific ways. Sliding glazed screens and louvres allow the client to open up or hide away from the wider landscape"

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