

Steven Tolson - Masterclass Session Custom and Self-Build Expo



Ijburg Amsterdam – a Vinex settlement built over last 20 years, 15 minutes by tram from Amsterdam city centre. This street comprises entirely of self-build family town houses highlighting that self-build does not have to be detached dwellings. The Vinex was part of the National Planning Framework organised between National, Provincial and local authorities to address a housing crisis.



Tübingen, South West Germany. A development promoted by the municipality. The municipality acquired the site, masterplanned the project and invested in infrastructure. Thereafter, sites were acquired from the municipality by build-co-operatives comprising of a range of ages that jointly organised the custom building of dwellings to their own requirements. Research showed benefits were: 15%-20% less cost than developer's price, had higher design & specification

standards, achieve good resale values, the community created its own place, the community grows together as part of the custom build delivery process and the development has a good social balanced mix of all ages, incomes, social and ethnic backgrounds.

Further Reading

Delivering Better Places

<http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2010/12/31110906/0>

Delivering Great Places to Live

https://issuu.com/deliveringgreatplaces/docs/creating_and_delivering_great_places_to_live_web

The Delivery of Public Interest Led Development in Scotland

<https://landcommission.gov.scot/2018/03/state-must-lead-on-major-public-interest-development-argues-new-paper/>