



UK developer Harriss Property launches 89 contemporary homes in Ramsgate

Harriss Property has converted the Grade II-listed former Hovis Flour Mill in central Ramsgate into a mix of 89 contemporary one-, two-, three- and four-bedroom apartments and houses. The homes, which have already launched to market, start from £130,000, and are available to buy through Strutt and Parker.

Less than an hour away from London by high-speed train, Ramsgate remains one of the great English seaside towns. The Ramsgate Harbour has the distinction of being the only Royal Harbour in the whole of the UK.

Located at Ramsgate's highest point, The Bread Factory is moments away from Ramsgate train station and overlooks the English Channel and surrounding area. The development is aimed at both the local community and Londoners seeking to buy affordable and commutable homes.

Architect E.W. Pugin, who is renowned for his Neo-Gothic architecture, designed the original flour mill in 1865. The mill was taken over by Britain's leading flour miller, Rank Hovis, in 1960 and granted Grade II-listed status.

The Bread Factory development is spread over four phases, providing accommodation in both the remodelled original listed building and the new build elements. The new buildings have been carefully designed to complement the existing architecture and character of the mill.

Set within a secure development and finished to a high-end specification, the apartments offer modern, flexible open-plan living. Communal gardens will be interwoven throughout the development, providing residents with landscaped areas to be enjoyed throughout the year.

John Harriss, MD of Harriss Property, comments: "We are delighted to inject a new lease of life into this much coveted local landmark by restoring it into a development with true community spirit.

"With such close proximity to strong transport links, we are providing a more affordable option to Londoners who want to balance their working life with the glorious British seaside, which is minutes from their front door."

The Bread Factory is situated in the heart of local life – a moments' walk from a variety of restaurants, shops, bars and The Royal Harbour Marina.

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Sponsorship helps living roof project blossom

A living roof will be planted at a Kent school with help from neighbours, Redrow Homes.

Hamstreet Primary Academy is close to Redrow's Saxon Woods development in the village, and as good neighbours, the homebuilder has donated £1,000 towards a 'green' roof at the academy.

Principal, Jane Macey, said: "We have lots of plants in the academy grounds and encourage children to take an interest in the environment around them. As an extension of this, we wanted to make better use of a section of flat roof by planting a green or living roof. We are grateful for Redrow's assistance with the project and look forward to seeing the finished result when we return after the summer break."

As well as adding a touch of colour to the academy, the living roof will also provide a food source for butterflies, bees and other insects and nesting materials for birds.

Redrow sales director, Rachael Baillie, said: "When we heard that Hamstreet Academy wanted to plant a living roof we were happy to help as we understand the importance of green spaces. We've partnered with both the Bumblebee Conservation Trust and the RSPB to support wildlife habitats and also recognise the educational benefits this project will bring."

As well as supporting school projects, Redrow is creating new habitats and undertaking wildflower planting at various locations around the country as part of its partnerships with the conservation organisations. Redrow has also



Redrow's Justin Brown delivers sponsorship for the living roof project to Hamstreet Academy. He's pictured with Sydney Burgess and Oscar Chidley

created welcome cards for all of its customers embedded with wildflower seeds so, when soaked in water and planted in the garden, they will eventually bloom, creating colour outside and helping to boost the population of pollinating insects.

Saxon Woods is a development of four- and five-bedroom homes in a leafy setting.

To make a new Redrow home your natural habitat, visit the show homes, open daily from 10am to 5.30pm. For more information, see www.redrow.co.uk/saxonwoods or call 01233 878288.