

Green Architecture Day 2007

Reducing Our Ecological Footprint Principles and Case Studies

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Unfortunately
this is
Sustainable
Design



This is not...
but it is beautiful!



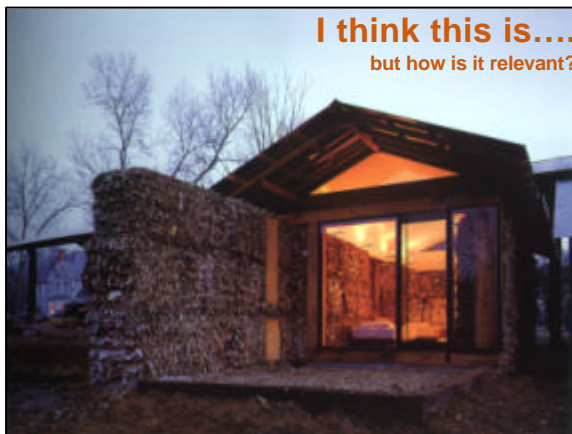
Is this?



Perhaps



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I think this is....
but how is it relevant?



So in order of preference....

REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE
Design For Demolition

FOCUSING ON YOUR HOME

- Biggest yearly increase in energy consumption is found on our roads
- However approx 40% of all CO2 emissions are from our homes
- There are 20 million houses out there
- 60%-70% of them don't have adequate insulation
- 85% don't use low energy lightbulbs

FOCUSING ON YOUR HOME



- To make a real impact on CO2 emissions we must focus on improving energy efficiency of existing housing stock as well as the way we inhabit it.
- New homes are well insulated but account for only 0.01% of housing stock (each year)
- However if every home in the UK installed just one low energy light bulb, the energy used could light all our streetlights or we could switch off two nuclear power stations.

THE GOOD NEWS



- Everybody is talking about
 - saving energy
 - reducing waste & water consumption
 - buying good local food
 - cycling to work
- It's now a common lifestyle choice to go green
- However it saves lots of money so it's not just a fad
AND it will also help save our beautiful planet

THE GOOD NEWS

- Reusing existing buildings is VERY green
- Building new very green buildings normally has a bigger negative effect on the environment than reusing an existing building- if you consider the amount of energy and pollution that is created when a building is constructed

Case Study

SALFORD QUAYS

Urban Splash



Case Study

House + Studio Hove



Case Study

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What are we doing?

- Creating well insulated + sometimes well sealed buildings
- That sometimes reduce energy consumption in use
- That often cause 'sick building syndrome'
- That do not consider the energy used + pollution created in construction
- Who is guilty?
- WE ALL ARE

What can we do?

- **Consider 'Designing for Demolition'**
 - *Your building is a future material resource for others*
- **Consider levels of energy + pollution used when selecting materials**
 - *Reducing the extent a material is processed reduces its embodied energy + pollution levels as well as the likelihood of in-built toxins*
- **Consider non-toxic materials**
 - *To reduce the likelihood of 'sick building syndrome'*
 - *To make construction and disposal safer + easier*

What else can we do?

- **SPECIFY LOCAL MATERIALS BECAUSE**
 - *It reduces the amount of pollution created in transport*
 - *They can 'weather' better in native environment*
 - *They can create a sense of place: a local identity*
 - *They can help generate local commerce*
 - *In particular cases they can help support bio-diverse environments*

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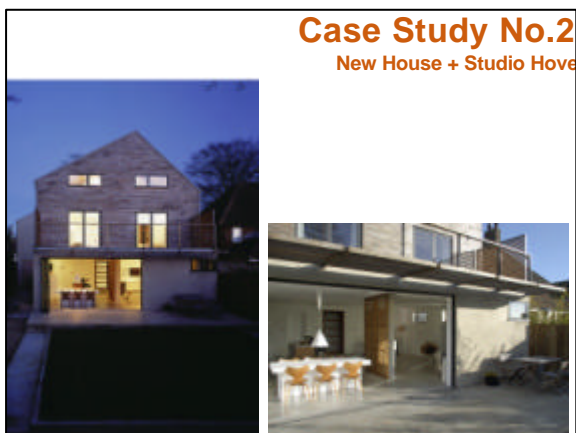
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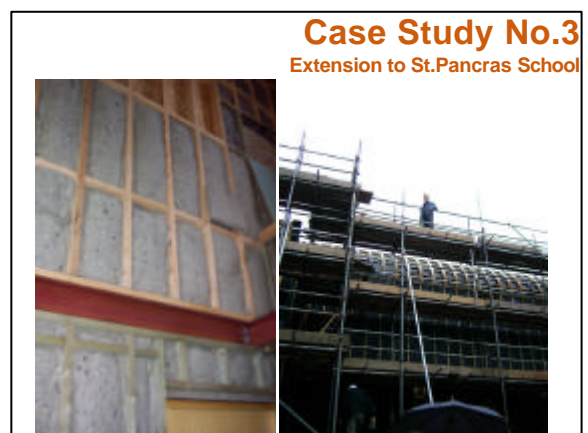
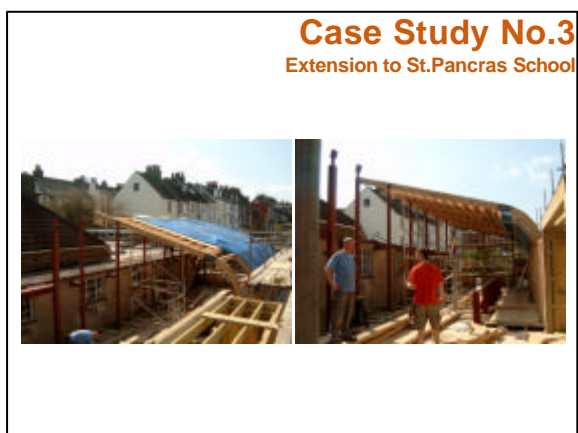
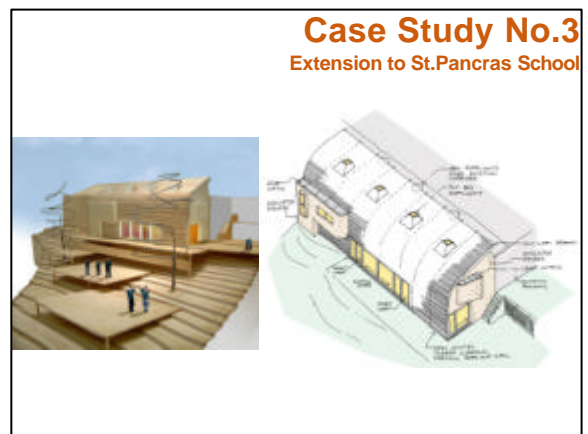
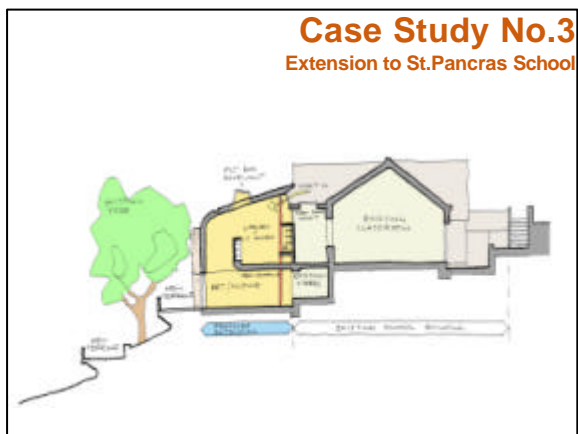
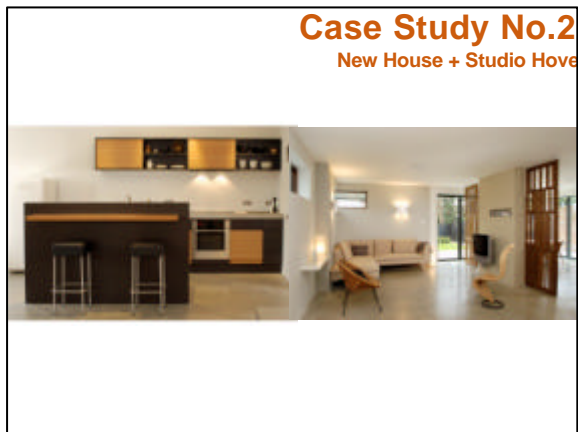


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Extension to St.Pancras School



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The Bridge



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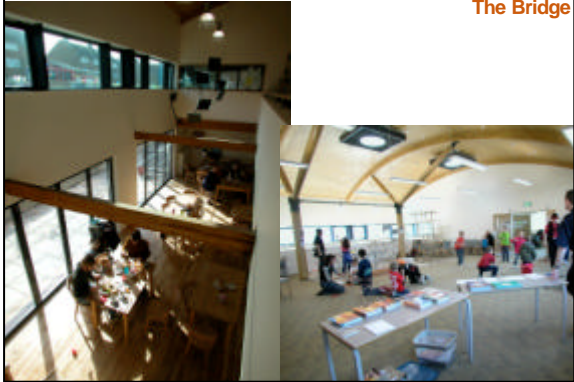
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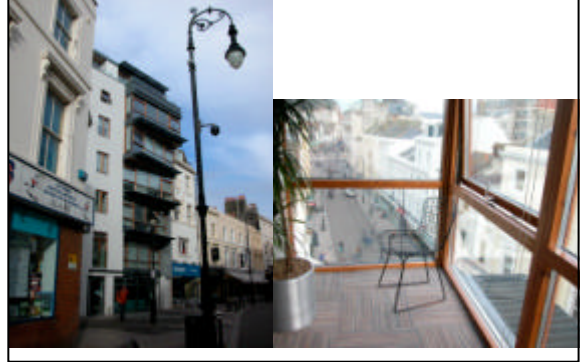
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Creative Media Centre



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Low Impact Materials

Coppiced Sweet Chestnut Cladding/Glue Lam structures/ joinery supplied by Inwood Developments tel: 01825 872150

Wood-Fibre ground floor insulation, Clay Plaster, Recycled Building Papers by Construction Resource tel: 0207 4502211

Lime Render + Wood fibre Insulation System, Flax or Recycled Cotton & Hemp Quilt Insulation by Natural Building Technologies tel: 01844 336336

Sedum Roof + Rubber Single Ply Membrane by Prestasi (AAC Waterproofing) on 01248 421955

Double Glazed Windows (Sparrowhouse/ StPancras / The Bridge)- Rational Windows (UK) Ltd tel: 01869 248181

Treble Glazed Windows Creative Media Centre 2- Swedish Window Company

Folding/ Sliding Doors- Solarlux Systems Ltd tel: 01924 204444 or ID-Systems tel: 01603 408804

External Solar Blinds to Creative Media Centre 2 by Luxaflex tel: 01293 851010

Paints - Ecos Organic Paints (Sparrowhouse) tel: 01524 858978 + Biofa by Villa Natura (StPancras School) tel: 01273 685800

Natural Ventilation + Light Source at The Bridge- Suncatcher by Monodraught tel: 01494 897700