

# Cliveden Village: Thoroughly modern

Owned by the National Trust, Cliveden is an English country house and estate set high above the Thames, near Taplow. The House, once made infamous by the Profumo Affair in the 1960s, is now a grand hotel, surrounded by long formal gardens and woodland. Cliveden is also home to a new development of 135 sustainable homes.

Working in partnership with Countryside Properties, the Trust wanted to create a new community to release funds from the land to pay for restoration works on the estate for both the main house and the extensive grounds. Cliveden Village is the result - a successful and unashamedly modern residential development held within a sensitive cultural landscape.

LDA Design worked closely with the architects to develop a masterplan that responded to the setting and context whilst creating a new landscape within the framework of the estate. The layout uses passive design principles, orientation, solar water heating and thermal mass to allow the properties optimum natural light and heat.

Cliveden Village adds an exciting new layer of history to an estate characterised by many great periods of design. It's also a fantastic place to live.



**Client**  
The National Trust and Countryside Properties

**Location**  
The Cliveden Estate, Buckinghamshire

**Partners**  
ARUP, Faber Maunsell, Philip Pank Partnership

**Services Used**  
Landscape Architecture, Masterplanning

**Area**  
6.5 hectares

- <sup>1</sup> Cliveden at night
- <sup>2</sup> The village green
- <sup>3</sup> Large south-facing windows and solar panels help reduce energy consumption



<sup>1</sup> The village green with clipped hedges and lavender blocks

<sup>2</sup> Formal landscape of Cliveden grounds

<sup>3</sup> Housing detail