

# The Retrofit for the future - Ideas Competition

... It is expected the ideas and concepts raised would assist these stakeholders make informed decisions about how best to tackle the challenging targets the Isle of Man faces in reducing carbon emissions very significantly over the coming decades.

Recently Tynwald approved in June 2019 that the Isle of Man would be "Net Zero Emissions". DEFA would like to invite an ideas competition to encourage local architects and others interested in "up-grading" buildings to create cost effective solutions for retrofitting properties on the Isle of Man to achieve near zero emissions. Retrofitting has been selected as a preferred option given that the current building stock will represent approximately 80% of buildings in use in 2050. It is noted there are over 40,000 domestic properties on the Isle of Man, so the challenge of significantly improving the energy efficiency of such a large number of buildings is not to be underestimated. The long term goal is to have desirable, warm, affordable homes for life.

Entrants would be asked to select an example of a widespread existing Manx property type e.g... Manx stone cottage, performance to make it a more liveable, future-ready house.

https://www.gov.im/media/1365975/the-retrofit-for-the-future-ideas-competition.pdf

A holistic approach is needed when designing the home of the future.

'Hiom' not only tries to tackle the "Net Zero Emissions" target but also takes a broader look at 'the future homes' needs, taking an approach that anticipates change, flexibility and adaptability to create destinations that enrich people's lives, strengthen communities, enhance nature, and deliver lasting economic value.





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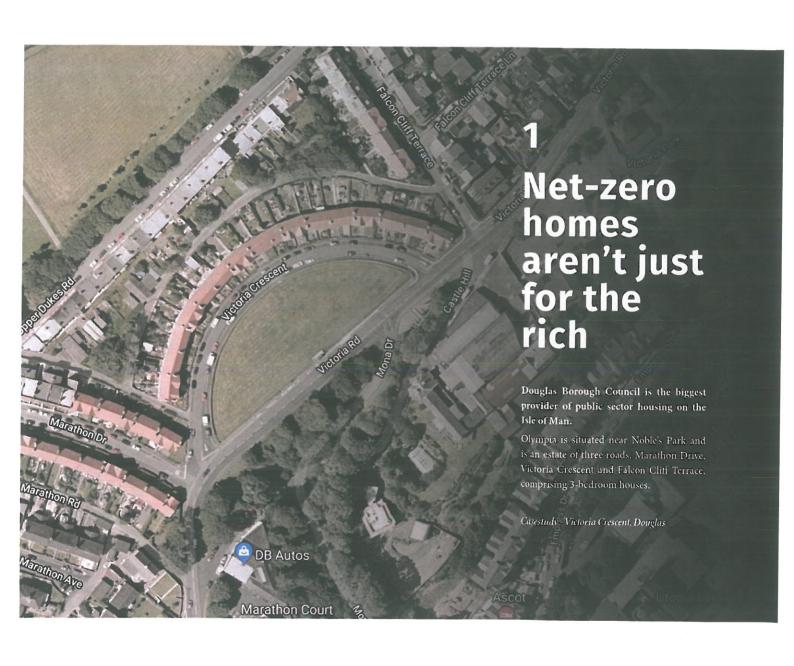
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Creating design that is tailored to the needs of the people who live in, work in, and use the

destinations

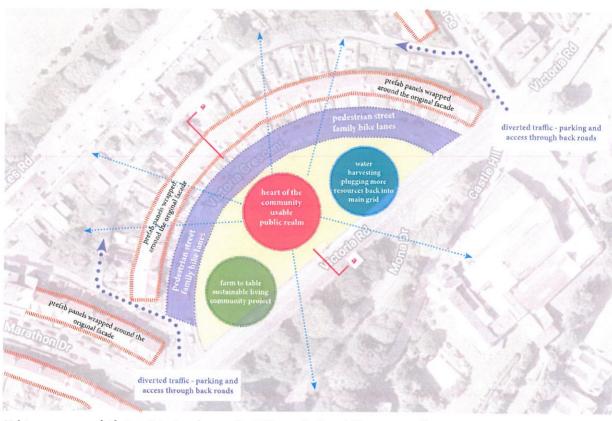


Victoria Crescent,





Olympia is situated near Noble's Park and is an estate of three roads, Marathon Drive, **Victoria Crescent** and Falcon Cliff Terrace, comprising 3-bedroom houses.



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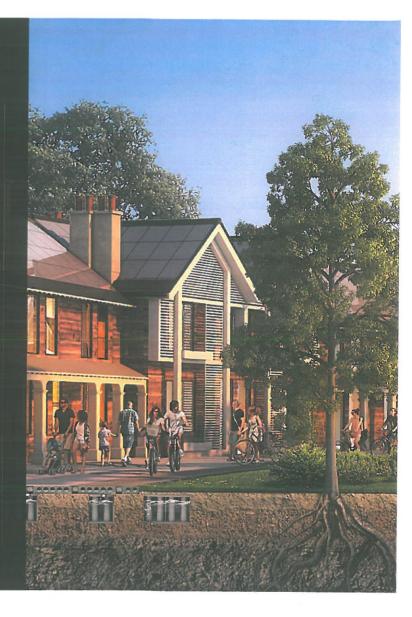
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# 2 Cutting edge construction

Digital Fabrication of homes through cutting edge construction techniques will deliver speed and quality, making sustainable living more accessible to all. Pre-selected forms and sustainable materials; Low cost quality; standadised panels that can slot into an infrastructure grid or onto original structures. Adaptable space that can change within a more permanent shell, allowing personalisation of space even for the more transient rental generation.

## Self Powering Homes

Eco sensitive lifestyles are no more, sustainable living is for the masses. Homes that provide more energy than they consume, can provide surplus energy to power vehicles and social infrastructure. Contributing to the wider environmental evolution of communities and the infrastructure they plug into. A future where homes are much more connected to the city grid ...







## Smart Well-being The Connected Home

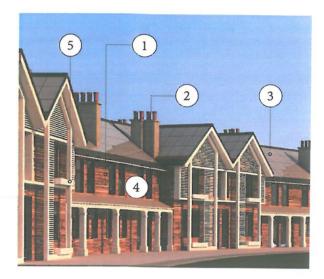
Innovations in energy monitoring will create more intuitive architecture, responsive to inhabitant needs. Automated systems that can analyse occupant preferences, assess what they think and respond intuitively.

The use of public space, mixed use, amenities and curating the ground plane - connectivity within the city.

Technology such as smart LED walls that can adapt to the occupants mood, and improve the health & living experience, prolonging life expectancy.

Nanotechnology will revolutionise the way we clean & maintain our homes, for smarter, healthier living including self cleaning & self repairing homes that can intelligently adapt.





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# The no hassle retrofit

1 PREFABRICATED STANDADISED CLADDING SYSTEM

Prefabrication wall panels which are produced off site. These have sufficient properties to reach zero-carbon emission requirements. Simply clip onto original facade.

(2) NEW WINDOWS

Old windows to be removed and replaced with new into the original apertures.

3 INSULATED / SOLAR ROOF PANELS

These have sufficient properties to reach zero-carbon emission requirements. Simply clip onto original roof.

4 ENERGY AND WATER RECYCLING

An energy module holds everything needed for sustainable heat, hot water, power, and ventilation.

A water module collects harvested water to circulate back through the home for multiple uses.

5 AESTHETIC EMBELLISHMENTS

Additional layer for decorative purposes. Its important to keep the character of the original development and minimize a loss of identity.



\* See additional overall view pdf

# 4 Cost? How would this work

Precedence for this business model -

Energiesprong https://energiesprong.org/about/

Energiesprong is a revolutionary, multiple award winning, whole house refurbishment and new build standard and funding approach.

Participants of the initiative can pay the 'energy efficient fund' the same monthly/ yearly rate as their previous energy bills, for a required amount of years.

The actual costs would be minimal due to their new sustainable home.

Digital Fabrication of homes through cutting edge prefabricated construction techniques will deliver speed and quality, making sustainable living more accessible to all.

The repetitiveness of the housing stock in the Isle of Man has a great advantage, it allows for innovative standadised panel sizes and parts to be created from sustainable, low cost quality materials.

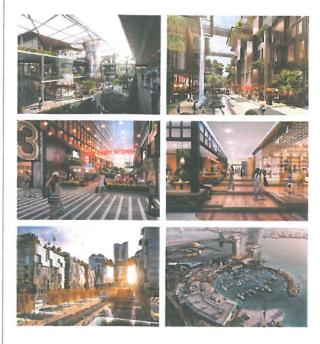
Local companies can join together to create 'Hiom' and design its manufacturing and fitting models. The 'upscale' factor would bring down the costs as the demand increases and production of the parts is on a more industrial level. This would be beneficial for shareholders and investors to drive innovation and new solutions.

Similar business plans in Europe are aspiring to reduce their costs to approx -£40,000 when upscale manufacturing takes hold. (see appendix)

**PROFILE** Based in the Isle of Man. I am an ARB registered architect with over 18 years' UK and international experience. My portfolio of work is diverse, spanning aviation, institutional, commercial, residential, leisure and hospitality sectors.

**DESIGN ETHOS** Creating innovative and visionary projects which connect between people and natural systems, to implement sustainable and socially responsive design.

Taking an approach that anticipates change, flexibility and adaptability to create destinations that enrich people's lives, strengthen communities, enhance nature, and deliver lasting economic value.



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## 6 Appendix

#### Research Sites-

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