

BrooksDevlin

Practice Profile 2011

Introduction

Brooks Devlin is a holistic environmental design practice with over 15 years' experience. We help our clients create sustainable, compliant buildings with an expert, proactive approach that draws on many disciplines.

Brooks Devlin helps clients find the easiest and most cost effective route to low carbon construction and development.

Our clients include developers, architectural practices and house-builders. And because our sustainability services cover such a broad base, we see the bigger picture.

We can offer advice and guidance for all types of projects ranging from new towns or urban extensions through to existing housing, offices, community buildings and schools.

We specialise in

- Code for Sustainable Homes
- Sustainability Masterplanning
- SAP / Building Control Submissions / EPCs
- Passivhaus Design and energy modelling
- BREEAM for Multi Residential and Education buildings
- Renewable Energy modelling and assessments
- Sunlight and daylight analysis
- Whole development sustainability assessments
- Low and Zero Carbon heat and power options and assessments
- Post development sustainable community strategies and models

Pll up to £1m

Aiming for ISO 14001 Certification in line with our ethical policy we bank with Co-op, and insure with Naturesave Insurance

Other details

Who we are



Julian Brooks BSc (Hons)

Julian has spent his working life in the construction industry, and has had an active involvement in environmental issues since the mid 90s.

In 1999 Julian helped establish the charity that is now the Ecos Trust, which aimed to “make sustainable construction the norm in Somerset by 2010”. He was also Chairman of Ecos Homes.

Julian is co author of two publications on sustainable construction and is a qualified BRE EcoHomes/Code Assessor.

He is a regular speaker at sustainable construction events, and in 2003 was invited to attend No. 10 Downing Street by the then Prime Minister in recognition for “services to promote sustainable development in the UK”.

Julian is actively involved with the UK Green Building Council and was recently appointed to the Zero Carbon Definition working group which reported to DCLG. In 2010 Julian was appointed to the CABE Enabling Panel where he will be providing planning and design advice on sustainability to a wide range of clients.



Nick Devlin BA (Hons) DipEEB

Nick has a wealth of experience in energy efficient building projects and planning for sustainable development. He is an accredited NHER SAP Assessor; a BRE EcoHomes and Code Assessor; a BREEAM Offices Assessor and a specialist in daylighting design and assessment.

Nick became a certified Passivhaus Designer in February 2011.

He is also building his own low energy home in Bridport.



Sara Bennett BSc (Hons)

Sara has always been interested in environmental issues, and has previously worked for the Environment Agency, Local Council Environmental Planning and within environmental engineering in the private sector. Sara is a qualified Code for Sustainable Homes Assessor.

Sara is also a registered NHER SAP Assessor



Lisa Heal BSc PG DipServ

Lisa has always had a keen interest in design and the Environment, and is an Interior Design graduate. Lisa previously worked as a Building Surveyor, and holds a Post Graduate Diploma in Surveying (RICS Accredited Course).

Lisa is an accredited and licensed SAP Energy Assessor, an NHER SAP Assessor and a Code for Sustainable Homes Assessor.

She is also registered BREEAM Assessor for Multi Residential & Education buildings.



We are accredited and certified by the BRE for: Code for Sustainable Homes; EcoHomes; BREEAM Education and Multiresidential Assessments.



We are accredited and certified by the NHER for: OCDEA (on construction domestic energy assessors) to carry out on construction and design SAP assessments, PEAs and EPCs.



We are members of the Association of Environment Conscious Building.



We are members of the Good Homes Alliance.



We are founder members of the Passivhaus Trust.

Recent Projects

Code for Sustainable Homes Advisor and Assessors



- Barratt Homes – Exeter, Yeovil, Bridgwater, Plymouth - various projects
- ISG Pearce – Bristol, Exeter, Southampton – various projects
- Geoffrey Osborne – Riegate – CSH4/5 at Horsham
- Princes Foundation
- United Welsh HA (Futureworks Passiv Haus Project in Ebbw Vale)
- Sovereign Housing Association (Exeter Infill sites)
- Exeter City Council (Council own build)
- Synergy Housing Association – Extracare Blandford
- Ecos Homes (Great Bow Yard, CSH5 target for the “Old Apple Store”)
- Living Villages (St Mellion and the Wintles)
- Birmingham Municipal Housing Trust, Birmingham City Council & Capita Symonds (CSH4 & 5)
- Barton Wilmore (CSH4 for “Elvian School”)
- Yarlington Homes
- Magna Housing Association
- Spectrum Housing Association (CSH4 for “Sinclair Road”)
- Regal Homes
- Olive Green Developments (CSH6 target for “the Bower”)
- Bellway Homes
- Chantry Estates

Passivhaus



- United Welsh HA - Futureworks, Ebbw Vale in partnership with Bere Architects
- Osborne – Bryce Lodge, Horsham – in partnership with Warm Associates
- Yarlington HA – Long Sutton
- Raglan HA - advisor
- Greensquare Group - advisor

BREEAM Education & Multi Residential



- BREEAM Assessors on office buildings in Ilford, London and Farnham, Surrey
- Downend, Bristol, Extracare

Other projects



- Appointed member of the UK Green Building Council “Zero Carbon Task Force 2016” contributing to the publication of “The Definition of Zero Carbon” report
- Sustainability Advisor to Red Tree LLP (ongoing role) for the new low carbon community at Sherford, near Plymouth for 5,500 new homes and 67,000m₂ employment space which received resolution to grant in July 2009.
- Renewable Energy Strategy for Yeovil Eco Town for South Somerset District Council
- Sustainability Advisor to Inox Group for the planned new community at Threemilestone, nr. Truro.
- Advising East Devon District Council on sustainable construction for their new community project at Cranbrook - 3,000 new homes, business park and infrastructure
- Sustainability advice to Mid Beds District Council for large developments
- Advisor to Energy Savings Trust on the eco housing market
- Action plan and strategy for a Dorset wide sustainable construction project - Client, Dorset Local Authorities
- Advisor on 1st UK house project set to achieve official Passivhaus status
- Expert witness in Planning appeal cases, for single house through to multiple dwellings, focussing in particular on environmental performance of the buildings

For further information or to arrange an initial meeting with us please contact Julian Brooks or Nick Devlin on 01308 428918