

# TIMBER IN THE CITY



PLP\_Oakwood Tower



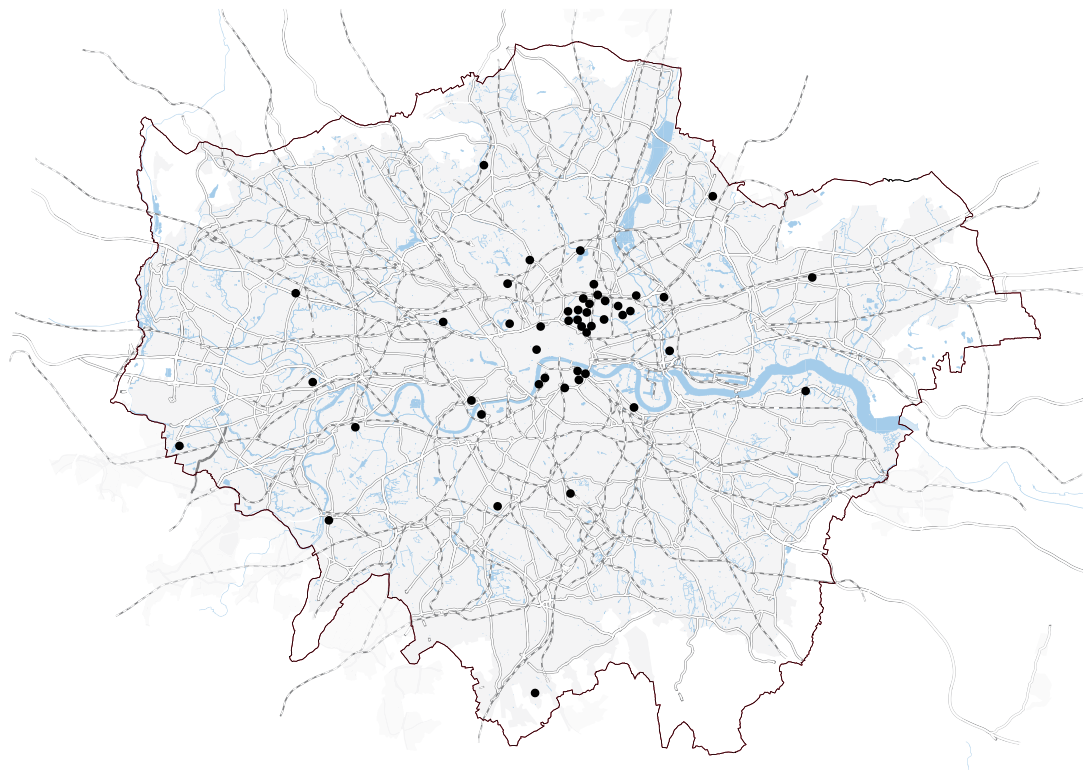
Nikken Sekkei\_ transforming cities into forests

RECENTLY



LONDON 2003

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## LONDON 2017

50 major timber buildings – 450 nationwide

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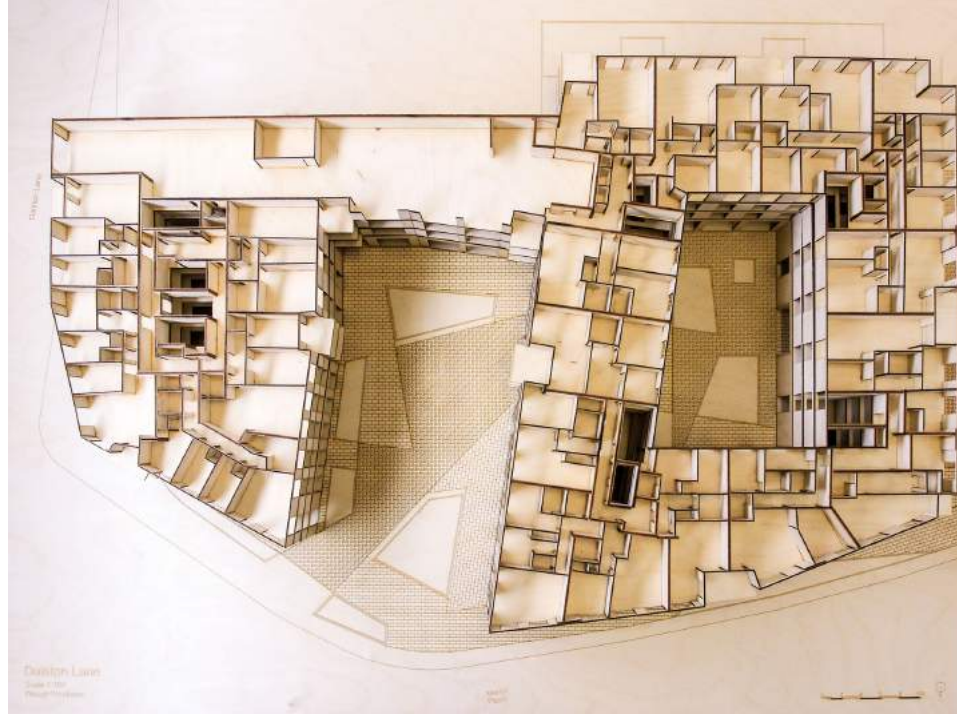
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## HACKNEY: TIMBER FIRST

Hackney: 25 of the UK's major 450 CLT buildings concentrated in 19 Km²



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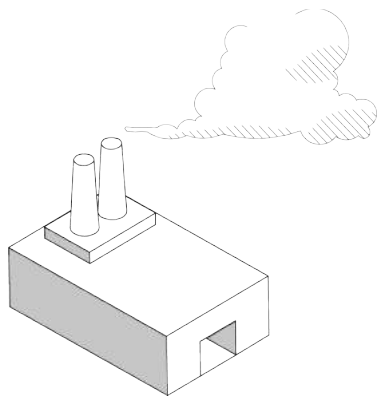
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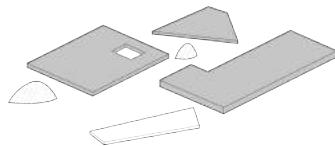
## CONTEXT: MULTIPLE ECOLOGICAL CRISIS

Climate change, environmental pollution, lack of resources and urbanisation

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38% of greenhouse gas emissions



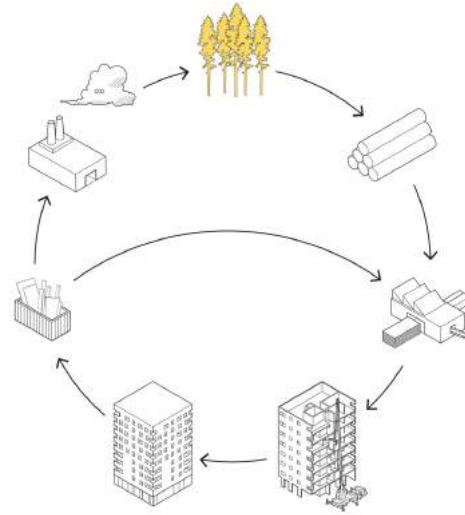
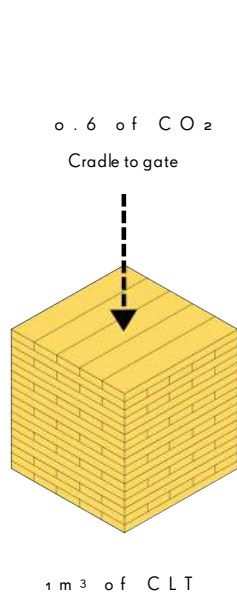
40% of solid waste generation  
Source: UNEP



12% of water consumption

## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF BUILDINGS

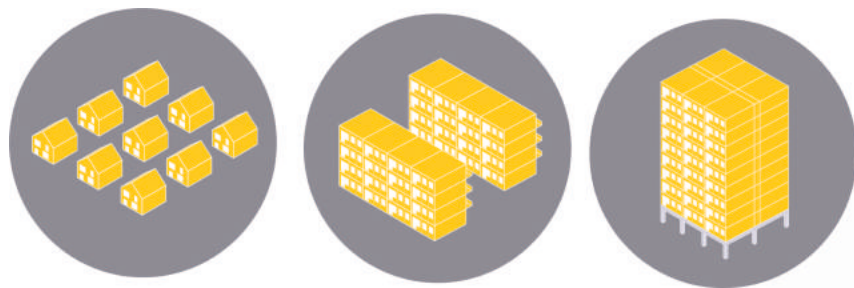




Timber provides benefits at every stage of its life

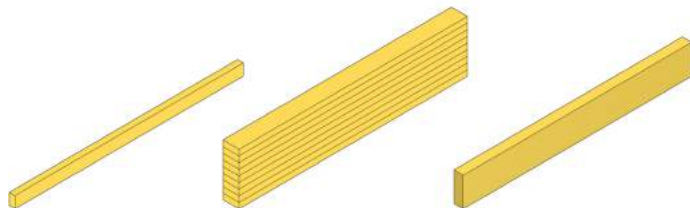
## SUSTAINABILITY

It is all about embodied carbon and circular economy



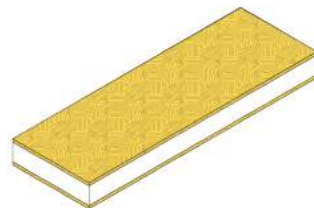
## CONTEXT: HOUSING CRISIS

300000 new homes/year needed UK wide – London alone needs 60000 new homes/year

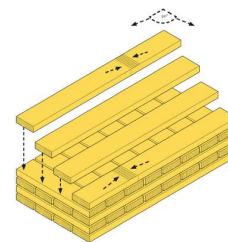


Glulam

LVL



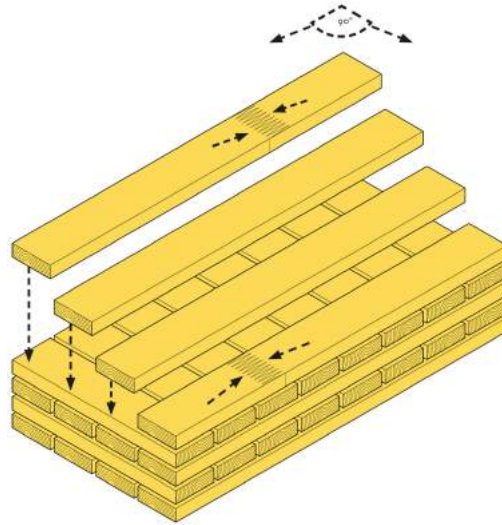
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CLT

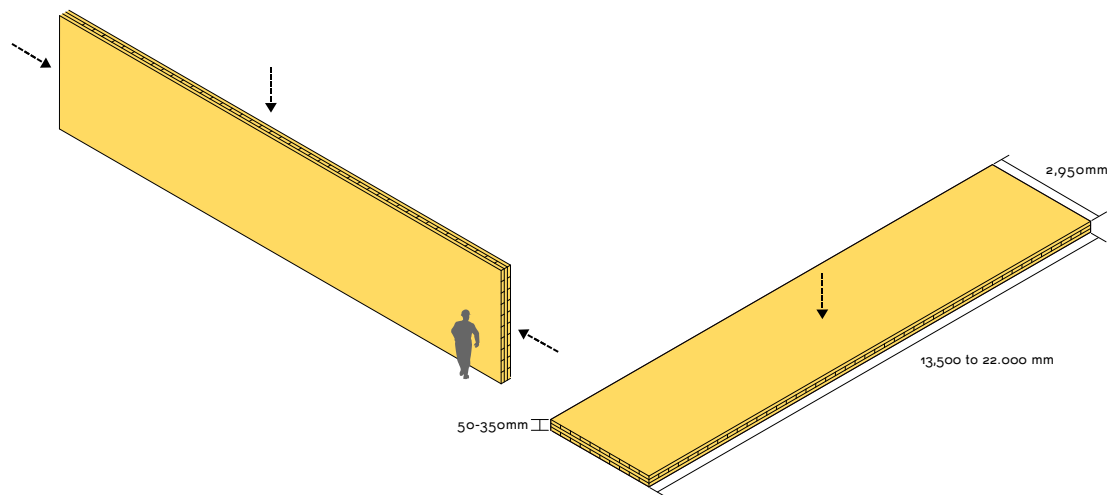
## USE OF TIMBER

From a beam to a panel shaped construction material



## WHAT IS CLT?

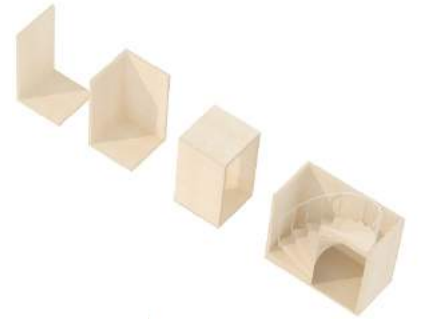
An engineered timber product with good structural properties and low environmental impact (BRE definition)



## THE PLATE

CLT plates have changed the perception of timber and the scale of what we can do with it



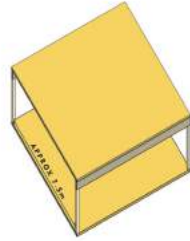
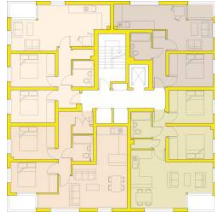


## PLATES GENERATING FORMS

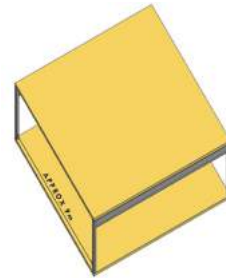
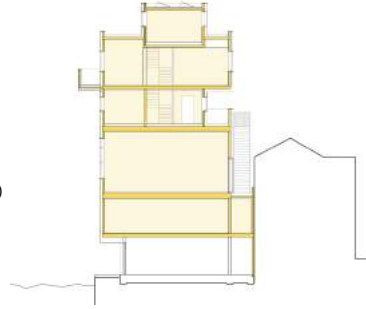
Continuity, simplicity and precision / from enclosed boxes to floating structures



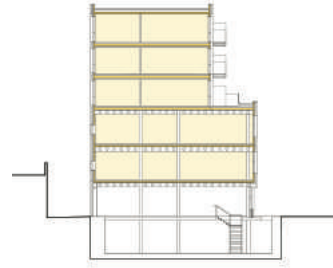
Pure CLT



Hybrid (Glulam)



Hybrid (Steel)



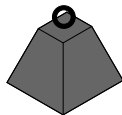
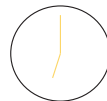
## SPANS / TYPOLOGY

TRADITIONAL

TIMBER



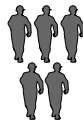
20%  
QUICKER  
OVERALL  
PROGRAMME



80%  
LIGHTER BY  
VOLUME



80-85%  
FEWER  
DELIVERIES  
FOR FRAME



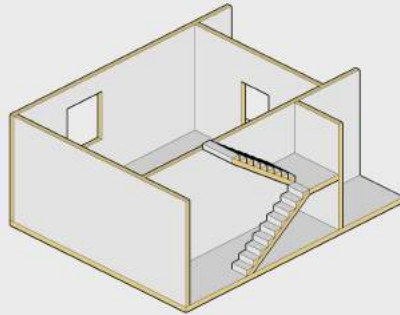
50-70%  
FEWER SITE  
STAFF FOR  
FRAME



## BOTTOM LINE BENEFITS

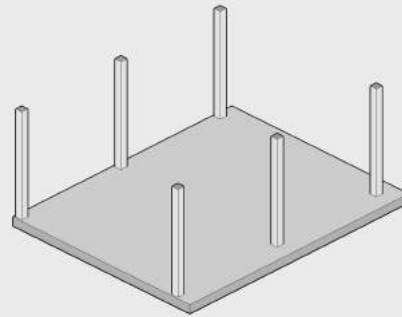
£ 250 / m<sup>2</sup> GIA

Week 01



£ 170 / m<sup>2</sup> GIA

Week 01



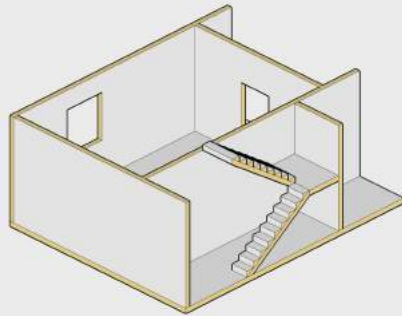
## MULTI FUNCTIONAL ELEMENTS

Less material and less labour

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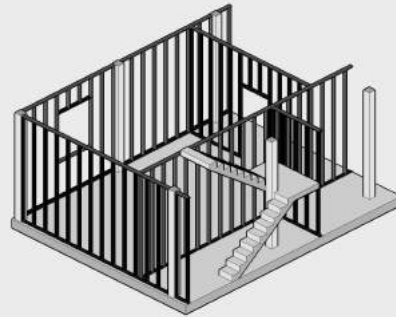
£ 250 / m<sup>2</sup> GIA

Week 01



£ 270 / m<sup>2</sup> GIA

Week 03



## MULTI FUNCTIONAL ELEMENTS

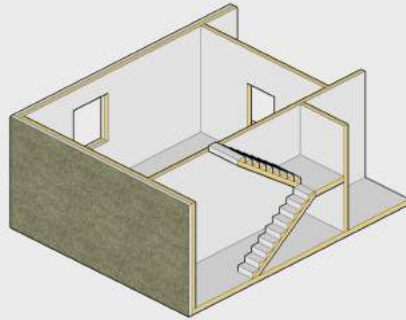
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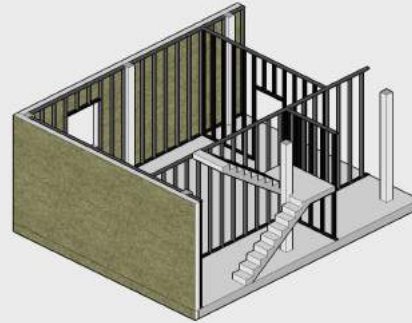
£ 265 / m<sup>2</sup> GIA

Week 02



£ 290 / m<sup>2</sup> GIA

Week 04



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KEY WORKS SO FAR

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## EXTON STREET : CLT COMES TO LONDON

Completed: 2003 – Client: J. Hattori – Budget: undisclosed

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3 STOREY (45 m<sup>2</sup>) – 4 PEOPLE ON SITE (6 hours)

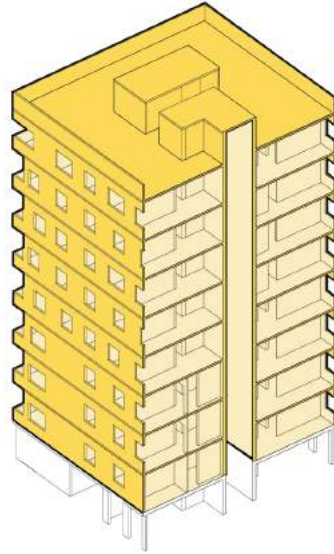


## MURRAY GROVE: A LANDMARK PROJECT

Completed: 2009 – Client: Telford Homes – Budget: 3.86 m

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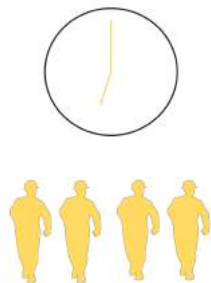
Honeycomb CLT structure

Load -bearing walls, cores and floors

145 mm CLT slabs (300 mm floor thickness)

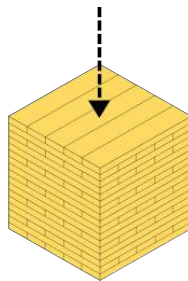
128 mm external walls (275 mm wall buildup)

9 STOREY ( 2 4 5 0 m<sup>2</sup> GIA ) – 2 9 FLATS

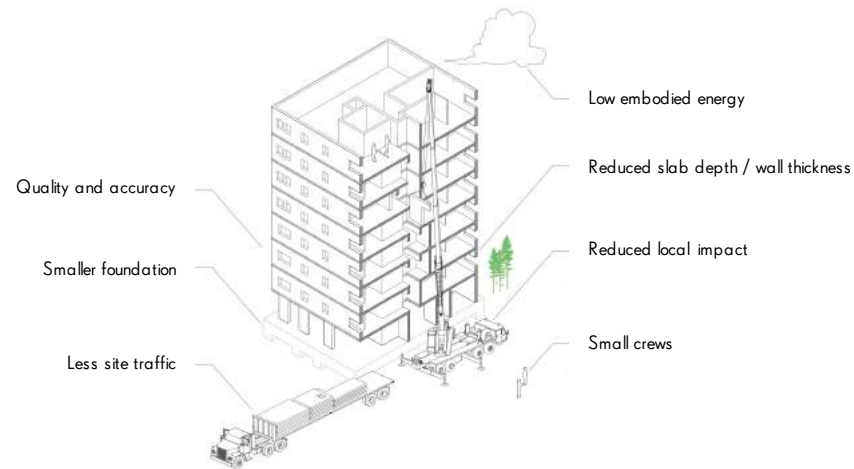


Timber assembly:  
4 people x 5 weeks

540 t of CO<sub>2</sub>  
Cradle to gate



901 m<sup>3</sup> of CLT (1945 trees)



## FACTS AND FIGURES



A CLEAN, SAFE SITE

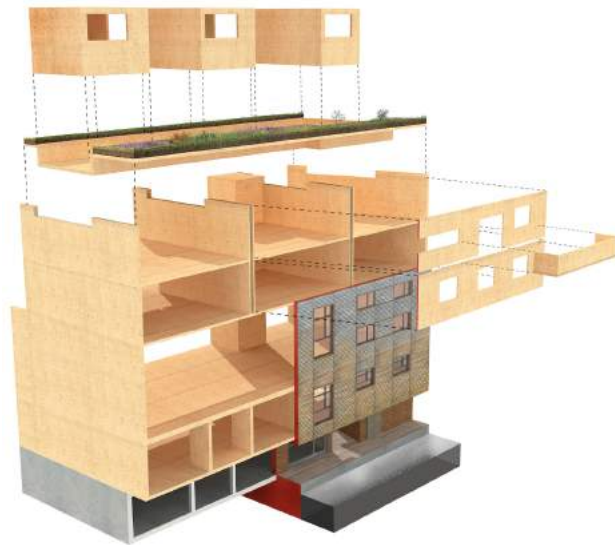




## WHITMORE ROAD : MIXITÉ

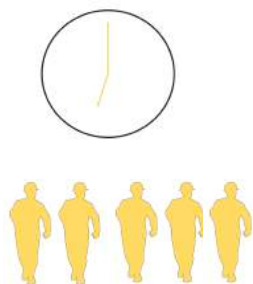
Completed: 2013 – Client: A. Waugh – Budget: 2 m

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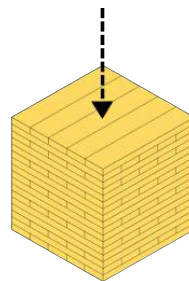
MIXED USE - HYBRID STRUCTURE

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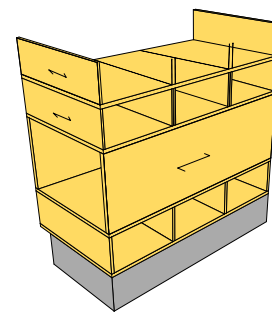


Timber assembly:  
5 people x 5 weeks

300 t of CO<sub>2</sub>  
Cradle to gate

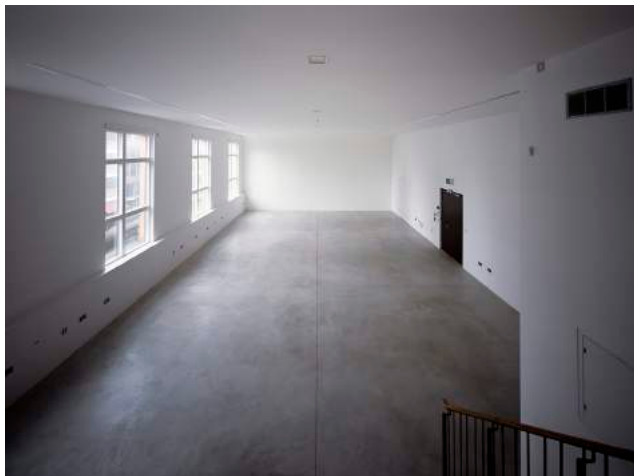


499 m<sup>3</sup> of CLT (1080 trees)



Working around a void (23x5x9 m)

## FACTS AND FIGURES



## MATERIAL PRESENCE

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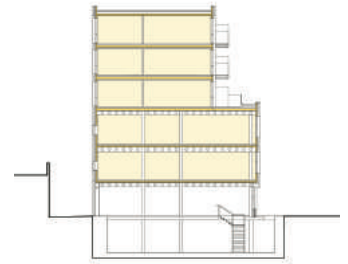
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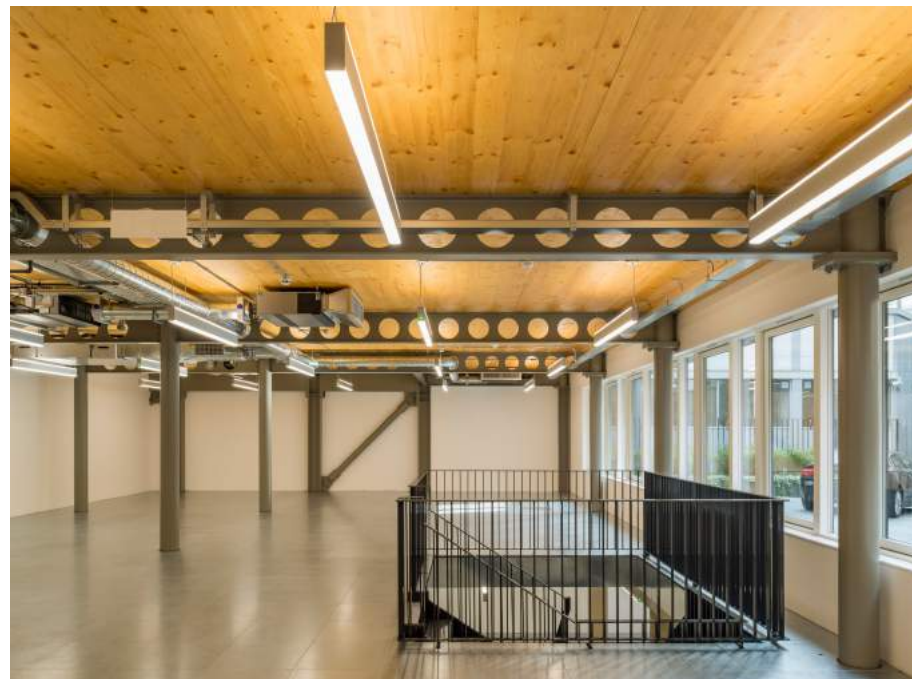
## CURTAIN ROAD: A DIFFERENT LOOK AND FEEL

Completed: 2013 – Client: Gold Section Homes – Budget: 4.1 M

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6 STOREY (2600 m<sup>2</sup> GIA) – 3 WEEKS OF TIMBER ASSEMBLY (65 WEEKS OVERALL)



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## DALSTON LANE: SIZE MATTERS

Completed: 2017 – Client: Regal Homes – Budget: 24 m

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16000 m<sup>2</sup> total:

121 flats

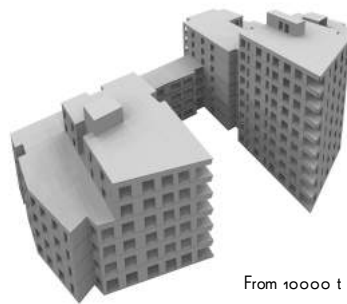
3500 m<sup>2</sup> of commercial space

## THE SIZE

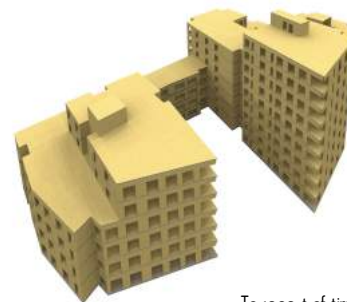




Tunnels and reserved zones



From 10000 t of concrete

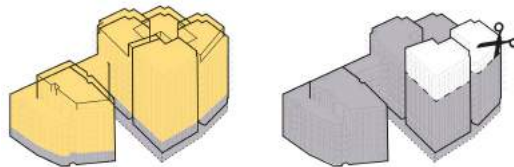


To 1930 t of timber

## WORKING WITH CONSTRAINTS

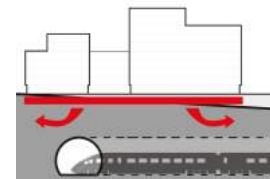


78% less site deliveries



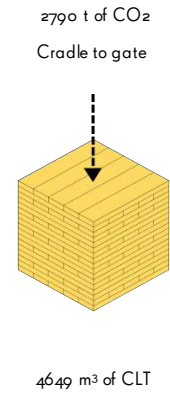
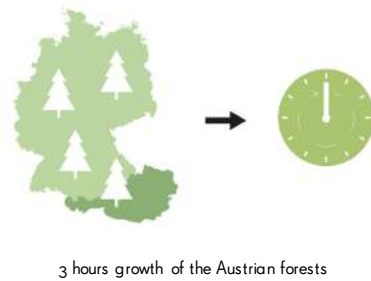
25% more homes (had a comparable scheme be erected in concrete)

Structure is 20% more efficient than Murray Grove



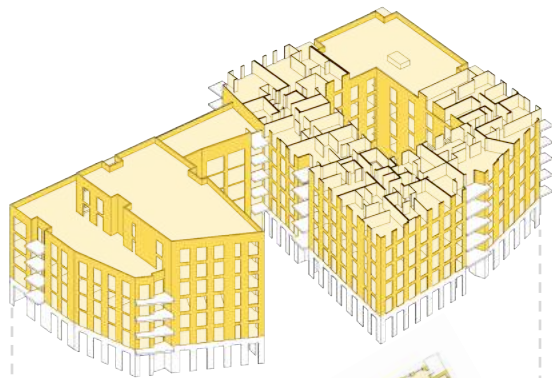
Raft foundation: min. use of concrete

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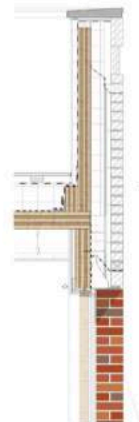
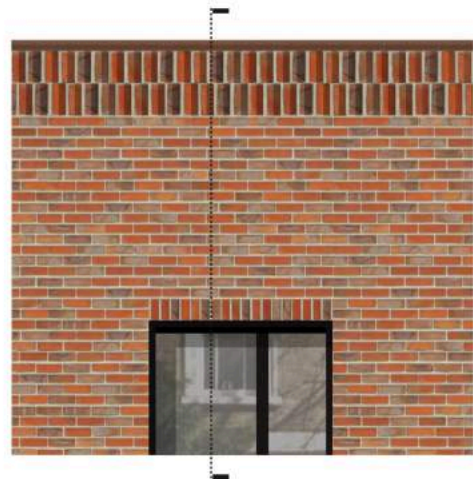


## FACTS AND FIGURES

A building plan that stacks



A normal building



## KEY DESIGN PRINCIPLES



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## VITSOE: REDUCTION TO ESSENTIALS

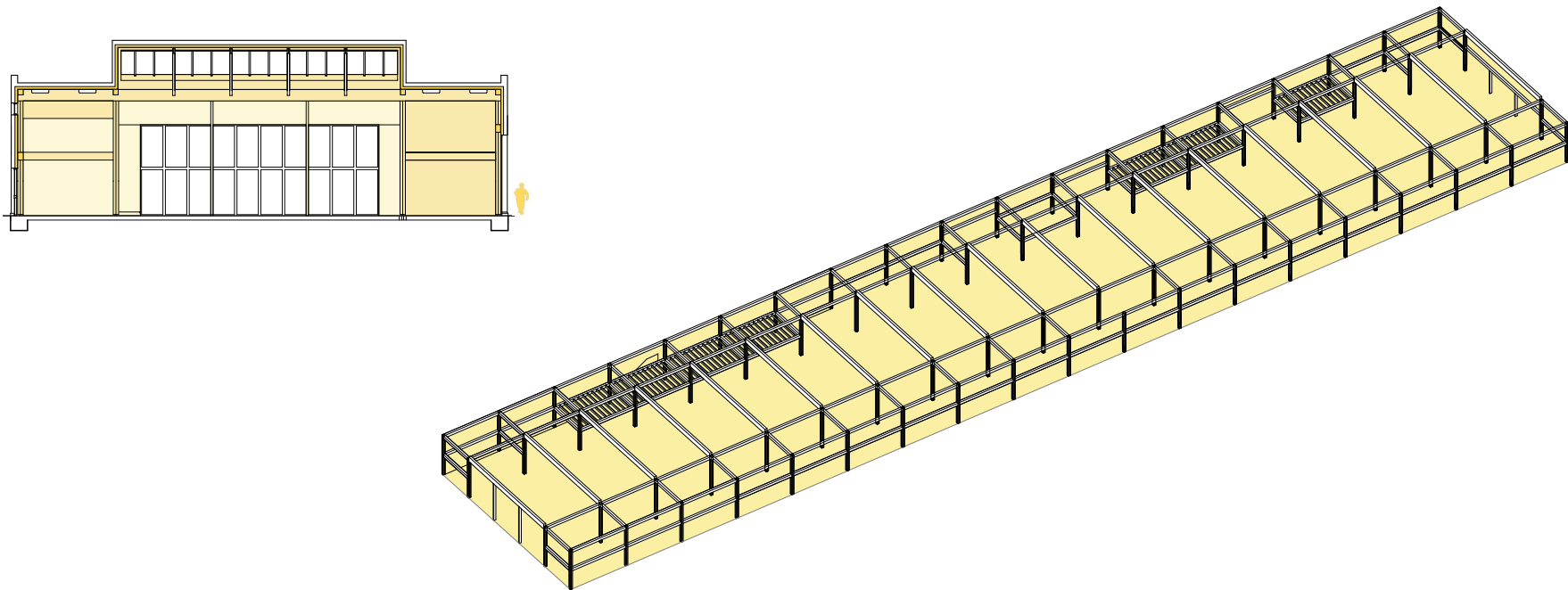
Completed: 2017 – Client: M. Adams – Budget: 5.75 m

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## LONGEVITY AND FLEXIBILITY

135 x 25 x 6m – 7.5 m structural grid

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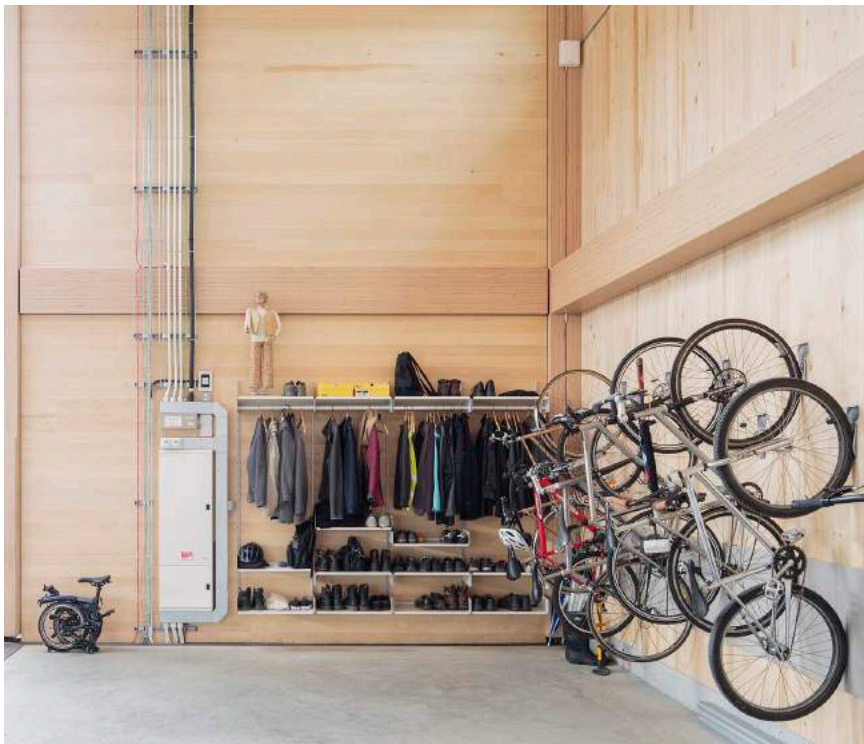


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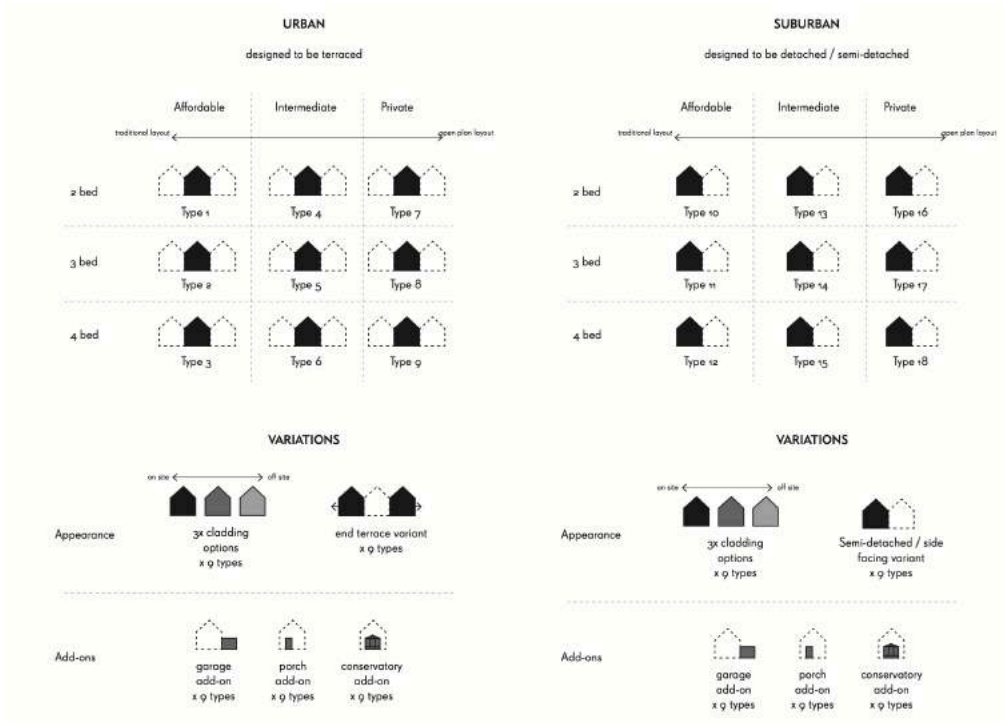






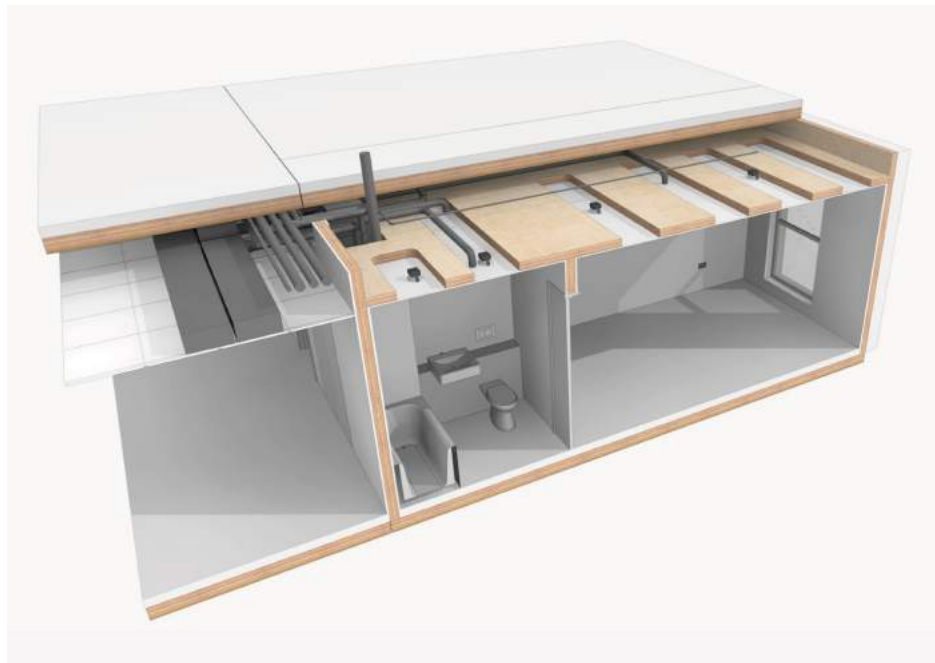
## P R E F A B . M O D E L H O U S E S : R E P E A T A B L E P R O C E S S

Ongoing – Client: Mayor investor in volumetric prefab.– Budget: Undisclosed



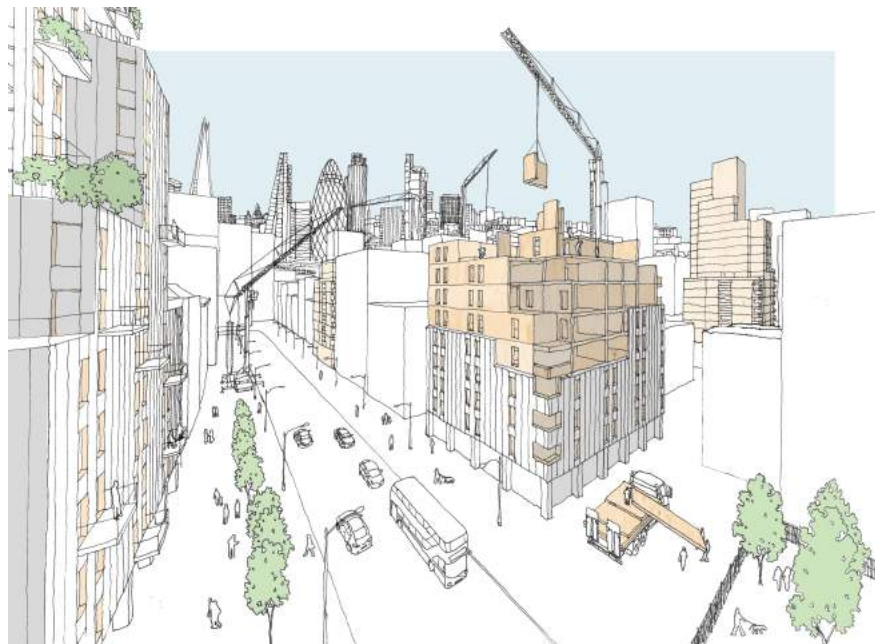
## SYSTEMATIC APPROACH





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