

Sector: Residential

Robertson business:
Robertson Partnership Homes

Client: North Lanarkshire Council

Value: £1.7 & 2.1m

Date of completion: June 2017

Location: North Lanarkshire



Coltness and Tannochside housing

We are providing affordable housing at two sites that form part of North Lanarkshire Council's NL Homes programme. We will deliver 36 homes across the two locations at Tannochside and at Coltness.

The site of the former Tannochside Primary School in Viewpark, an investment of £1.7 million, is being transformed into 16 new council homes, including a mix of one- and two-bedroom cottage flats.

In Coltness, a further 20 homes are being developed at Walkerburn Drive, North Kilmeny Crescent and Innerleithen Drive, representing an investment of £2.1 million. This development comprises a mix of one-, two-, three- and four-bedroom houses and cottage flats. Two of the properties are fully wheelchair accessible.

Both developments were procured through the Scape Major Works Framework. Scape Group is a public sector owned built environment specialist offering a full suite of national frameworks and innovative design solutions.

An ambitious housebuilding programme

The developments are a step towards meeting plans to build more than 2,000 new homes – one of the biggest council housebuilding programmes in Scotland in a generation.

High-specification housing for the future

All of the new homes are built with energy efficiency in mind, to help minimise running costs for tenants. They are designed to achieve at least a 'Good' environmental rating.

In addition, they meet the specification of Housing for Varying Needs specification. This means that the homes are accessible for tenants with different mobility needs, and can be adapted in the future, should a tenant require wheelchair access. These include wider doorways and staircases, reinforced ceiling joists that could support a hoist, and floor drains that allow a downstairs cupboard to be converted into a wet room in future.

The homes are also 'Secured by Design' accredited, which involves Police Scotland architectural liaison officers having input into the layout and designs to ensure we build safe and secure environments.

Engaging with local communities

We are engaging with local communities throughout the construction process, including four local primary schools, two high schools and New College Lanarkshire.

With one of the catchment high schools, Uddingston Grammar, we are providing eighteen S3 pupils with an eight-week masterclass programme of site visits and e-learning modules. These activities will see them hone both practical and theoretical construction skills and inspire them with career opportunities in the construction industry.

Other schools have enjoyed individual site visits, health & safety presentations, and hands-on construction skills sessions.



"NL Homes supports our vision to provide affordable, good quality homes within safe and sustainable communities for the people of North Lanarkshire. I am very proud that we have been able to commit investment in new and improved housing while managing to keep rents well below the Scottish local authority average."

Councillor Bob Burrows
North Lanarkshire Council