

CARLESS + ADAMS

Case study Carnforth, Lancashire



Client	Errigal Advisory LTD
Value	£15m
Scope of Services	RIBA Stages 0-3
Programme	Planning approved 2019
Site area	1.18 Ha
Total m2	7,600 m2
Accommodation	118 Care Bedrooms

A large care home design was required to accommodate a variety of needs, both private and in support of local social services. The building allowed for flexibility and the ability to evolve as the resident users requirements changed over time.



“Calm and assured management of the entire process, leading us end to end, from initial concept through to a successful planning application. There is no substitute for expertise, gained through depth of experience, combined with great design.”

Coralie Tomlinson, Halton Green Limited

The final design took inspiration from the local vernacular, using local building materials and scale to create a building that fits within its context. A challenging sloped site created the opportunity to utilise the hill to ensure the proposed building was not overbearing to the surrounding neighbours.

Far from a traditional Care Home, future residents will benefit from suites large enough to allow a relatively independent lifestyle while having access to care. They are able to prepare food and receive visitors in the privacy of their room depending on individual preferences.

In addition to full time residents, the buildings design has incorporated a Community Space including a community centre, treatment room and a number of suites. The use of these spaces can vary from patients that require rehabilitation currently occupying NHS hospital beds (step down care) as well as residents that are receiving respite care (short term).

Creating a building that is flexible in its planning and able to evolve as the needs change over time has resulted in a prime example of collective living and care for the elderly.