

# Mill House Care Home



## Project name:

Mill House Care Home

## Location:

Chipping Campden

## Value:

£2.3m new build project

## Services:

Architecture

## The Brief

The three-storey Mill House Care Home accommodates 44 residents in en-suite rooms and includes flexible living areas, two communal dining areas, a hair salon and laundry. There are a further eight bedrooms and living quarters for onsite staff, two nurse bases and further offices.





## Project Overview

The location, within a conservation area and a site of specific historical interest opposite the town's 18th Century Grade II listed silk mill, resulted in a complex and time-consuming planning process. One was therefore employed to use its extensive design experience to develop the drawings, consult with the planners and manage the programme.

Ongoing consultation and collaboration with the local community, English Heritage and the landowner was vital to ensure all parties felt fully informed and could raise any problems before construction began. A number of presentations to the Chipping Campden Society were made during the planning process to illustrate how the design of the new residential home would reflect the traditional Cotswold environment and respond to its historical context.

The 'T' shaped building was constructed with natural Cotswold stone, white render and two different types of slate roof. Each part of the 'T' was constructed using these different materials to replicate the appearance of organic growth over time rather than one large building built at once. Nurse bases on two floors of the building are positioned at the centre of the 'T', enabling maximum visibility, security and a minimum response time.

Access controlled entrance and exits, coupled with secure landscaped gardens and enclosed pathways for exercise, provide further security and peace of mind for residents, relatives, staff and the community.

## The Benefits

- **Continued consultation and collaboration throughout the project reassured the community** - By holding consultation events with the public, English Heritage, the landowner and other interested groups, the whole community knew they could raise issues/questions and the project team led by One would work with everyone involved to resolve them.
- **A design that mirrors the locality** - By being sensitive to the local environment and through extensive consultation, One's architects were able to create a building that was both functional and modern but blended perfectly into the Cotswold landscape, through the use of Cotswold stone and making the building appear as if it had evolved over time.



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*The Mill House Care Home was built on a specially listed site within the historic Cotswold town of Chipping Campden...The design and support programme provided by One were exemplary and helped overcome the initial locality concern about a new building of this size on this important site, and ultimately achieved the highest accolades from all concerned.*”

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