

BUILT WITH YOU AND FUTURE
GENERATIONS IN MIND TO HELP YOU

Live more sustainably





- OUR GUIDE TO -

Living Sustainably

This guide is a great starting point and explains the features we have already put in place.



10 acres of open green space and landscaped parks



A central development **play park**



Over 3,500 new trees planted



1.25 acres of wildflower meadow



6 new sustainable drainage system (SUDs) ponds



New allotments within the development for local residents





New homeowners at Sawbridge Park will have endless opportunities to enjoy the great outdoors and live in harmony with nature as some 10 acres, 40% of the development has been dedicated to open green spaces, allotments and recreational areas.







Over 3,500 new trees

PLANTED THROUGHOUT THE DEVELOPMENT

- SUSTAINABLE -

Wildlife Friendly Planting

A staggering 97% of wildflower meadows have been lost in the UK since the 1930s. When you lose all the flowering plants, you lose the insects that visit them such as bees and hoverflies but also moths, then as a result you lose the birds and other wildlife that depend on the insects.

We know that nature makes people feel healthier and happier, that's why we hope our 'naturefriendly' approach to designing Sawbridge Park will enable the natural world to thrive, to create a diversity of habitats and therefore encourage local wildlife in the long term.

- HABITAT CREATING -

Wildlife Friendly Features

In addition to habitat creation and enhancement within the landscape, to further encourage local wildlife we will be installing a number of wildlife friendly features throughout the development, including:











Bat Roosting Boxes

Hedgehog Highways



BAT ROOSTING BOXES

The boxes will provide roosting opportunities suitable for several species of bat commonly found in the UK. They'll be installed as high as possible, away from natural light and face a variety of directions to provide a range of conditions.







- RICH WILDLIFE HABITATS -

Wetland Features

Ponds are one of the richest wildlife habitats, attracting a vast range of wildlife. It's estimated that 75% of ponds and their wildlife have been destroyed in the UK landscape in the last 100 years.

There will be a total of six Sustainable Drainage System (SUDs) ponds at Sawbridge Park.

Whilst putting back some of the ponds that have been lost, they will also channel rain water into them rather than straight down the drain. This means that water can be held safely after heavy downpours, helping to protect from flooding.

SUDs ponds are an almost instant habitat for amphibians, dragonflies, as well as a host of smaller pond creatures such as pond skaters. They'll also attract a range of waterbirds and birds from woods, gardens and farmland.

These areas will be seeded with a wet wildflower grassland mix to further enhance the development, so not only will new homeowners have beautiful views from their homes, they will able to explore these areas and watch nature thrive.



- HOMES -

Designed With You In Mind



Adaptable homes to assist with your future and changing needs



Electric vehicle
charging point installed
to every home



Up to 57% cheaper to run than older homes*



Water saving technology saves up to 25 litres of water per person per day



Recognised as a 'Built For Life' development means that important design elements such as adequate car parking and safe street design have been included and checked through planning



All homes

AT SAWBRIDGE PARK WILL HAVE ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS

- FOR THE FUTURE -

Electric Vehicle Charging

All homes at Sawbridge Park, as well as a number of the visitor spaces will have electric vehicle charging points installed.

Although new homeowners may not have an electric car now, they can rest assured that they will not need to incur the cost, which is typically around £1,000, or the hassle of installing one in the future. Charging an electric car at home works out much cheaper than filling up a traditional petrol or diesel car and it's certainly more convenient!





- FOR THE FUTURE -

Thoughtfully Designed Homes

Homes at Sawbridge Park have been designed with the new homeowners future in mind, there are many elements already considered and others that can be adapted as needs change.



Entrance hallways are wider than you would usually find, not only does this create a great first impression but it allows easy access for wheelchair users.

The ground floor WCs are large to ensure enough space for wheelchair users.



We have already taken steps to ensure that the ground floor WC can easily be adapted to a wet room as homeowners needs change. A wet room allows the shower area to blend seamlessly with the rest of the room, they are easier to maintain than a traditional bathroom and give you more floor space as the drain is set into the floor.





- MAKING A DIFFERENCE -

More Energy Efficient

Our homes are created with energy efficiency at the forefront of their design.

A David Wilson home at Sawbridge Park is up to 57% cheaper to run than the same sized older home with modern day improvements. This means you could save a staggering £1,410 per year on your energy bills.*

£1,410

OF POTENTIAL SAVINGS PER YEAR ON YOUR ENERGY BILLS

HERE ARE SOME OF THE THINGS WE DO TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Our external doors are insulated to improve soundproofing and reduce heat loss.

And the high quality workmanship ensures the door creates a complete seal when closed, making it airtight and eliminating the risk of annoying draughts.



An efficient heating system is important to our homeowners to help keep running costs down. We use the latest, highest efficiency SEDBUK A-rated condensing boilers; we use low heat-loss hot water cylinders which ensure your water stays hotter for longer; and radiators designed to optimise heat output.



Even our appliances are designed to save energy and costs. We use the latest energy and water efficient kitchen appliances that have an A/A+ rating.



Where possible we use energy efficient light bulbs that can reduce your lighting electricity consumption by up to 75% to 80%.



We design our kitchens and bathrooms with water saving fixtures and fittings, which could help you save up to 25 litres of water a day per person^^. Our taps and showers use the latest aerated technology for the most powerful flow whilst minimising water wastage. For a family of four, that's enough to fill an impressive 243 baths a year.‡



*Source: Annual Household Energy Spend Zero Carbon Hub - www.zerocarbonhub.org/news/annual-household-energy-spend



[‡] Figures based upon the Building Research Establishment's Water Efficiency Calculator (based upon a 1801tr bath capacity).

^{^^} Compared to the UK average consumption per person per day.



- OUR SUPPLIERS -

Responsibly Source Materials

We carefully monitor who we use as suppliers. Our suppliers either have or are working towards ISO14001 – the world's most popular standard for environmental management.

As a responsible house builder, we always try to minimise our impact on the local and wider environment as much as we can. So we searched for thermal and acoustic insulating materials and other substances that have a Zero Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP) and low or zero Global Warming Potential (GWP).

As far as possible all our timber is responsibly sourced, minimizing de-forestation.

It's either FSC approved (Forestry Stewardship Council) or PEFC approved

(Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification).

Thanks to our site waste management plan, some 95% of our construction waste is recycled. We work with suppliers who can provide recycled materials, which are rigorously tested to ensure they are high quality.

- THE COUNTRY'S LEADING -

National Sustainable Housebuilder

We are proud to have achieved the highest results across all three disclosures for the 2020 CDP (Carbon Disclosure Project) benchmark, which makes us the country's leading national sustainable housebuilder.

We were also the only housebuilder this year to have improved our score from the previous year in all three disclosure categories, demonstrating our commitment to making great progress to our environmental performance.



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