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## Watkins Gray International unveils latest phase of Nightingale Estate, Hackney



Architects Watkins Gray International has unveiled the latest phase of the Nightingale Estate, Hackney, which it has designed for Southern Housing Group. This phase is the sixth of ten, and consists of 14 houses and 78 flats and includes affordable, private and key worker housing.

Watkins Gray International's design approach was to take into account the contextual characteristics of the site and to reinstate the continuity of the street elevation which had been lost with the original estate. The units are arranged as a block around a central courtyard, providing private gardens for the houses and ground floor flats. All the flats and houses have sunspaces or balconies and all the houses have roof mounted solar panels.



Commenting on the completion, Wendy Charlton, Partner, Watkins Gray International, explained: "We have transformed this formerly derelict estate into a safe and pleasant environment for residents. Excellent communication with all stakeholders has been a major factor in the success of the project and we will continue to build on our experience to see the completion of the entire project."