

CASE STUDY: OLDER PERSONS HOUSING
PENTRE CANOL SUPPORTED LIVING VILLAGE











#### **Facilities**

- 34no. two bedroom and 18no. one bedroom extra care apartments, located in a 4 level building with open plan kitchen / living / dining spaces
- 8no. two bedroom and 6no. one bedroom active older units in a two level block
- Ground floor community living unit with 4no. bedrooms, including support facilities and communal spaces. 4no. first floor community living apartments offering independent living accommodation.
- Communal lounge and restaurant with direct access out into a courtyard garden
- Multi function room and hairdressing facilities
- External amenities areas providing planting areas and seating

#### Sustainability Overview

- A 'fabric first' approach with high levels of thermal insulation and air tight building envelope
- Fully integrated Photovoltaic panel roof
- Centralised gas-fired boilers/hot water plant
- Battery storage to be utilised in the communal space with future provisions for extra battery storage for flats
- Energy efficient services, lighting and appliances
- Sustainable and locally sourced and reclaimed materials
- Mechanical Ventilation Heat Recovery to help reduce the demand for space heating
- Designed following BIM level 2 principles

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### Name of Building

Pentre Canol / Awel Y Dyffryn Supported Living Village

#### **Project Completion**

Spring 2022

#### **Project Cost**

Approximately £12 million

#### **Building Type**

Residential Extra Care Facility

#### Location

Denbigh, Denbighshire

#### Client

Grŵp Cynefin with Denbighshire County Council

## Environmental Performance BREEAM Excellent





#### **Building Overview**

Pentre Canol Supported Living Village provides a range of affordable homes for older people and those with supported living needs close to Denbigh Town Centre. The scheme has been developed in partnership with Grŵp Cynefin and Denbighshire County Council, and provides 52 extra care apartments, 18 supported living units and a four-bed community living apartment.

The Supported Living Village is carefully designed to ensure a feeling of 'domestic homeliness' within a dementia friendly environment, with features to promote independence across the range of older persons extra care housing and to support those with learning disabilities who wish to remain in Denbigh, close to friends and family. A community café and other communal facilities are located centrally within the main extra care building, but are designed to be made available for all the residents as well as local people with supported living needs to use.

An array of facilities to promote hobbies, interests and socialising amongst residents and the wider community has been laid out around a series of four sheltered courtyards to create a sense of place. This helps to break down the scale of new development.

The new development has been designed sympathetically to respect Denbigh's distinct local character while providing a modern design with a variety of built forms. A palette of natural, local materials are used in a sensitive manner including render, facing brick, timber and metal cladding. It is intended that dressed and coursed limestone salvaged from demolition will be recycled in the building plinths and boundary walls.

Ainsley Gommon have provided architectural, conservation and landscape services for the project, which received Planning Approval in March 2017. The practice has been retained as Lead Designer and Architects to develop the full working drawing package. Construction was completed in spring 2022.

