

## **First Triathlon Homes residents move into East Village**

The first 214 homes for rent and sale from Triathlon Homes at East Village have been handed over by the Olympic Delivery Authority.

Located across four buildings - Ursa Mansions, Tucana Heights, Vega House and Vesta House, these first homes will be occupied by over 400 residents.

Triathlon Homes has made the necessary preparations so that residents can have a stress-free move in, and is liaising with residents to book in move in dates and home demonstrations.

Geoff Pearce, Executive Director of Triathlon Homes, said: "We are very pleased the first Triathlon Homes residents are now living in their new homes with hundreds more moving in within the next few weeks and months. With the handover of further homes imminent, we look forward to welcoming our residents into what will be a fantastic new neighbourhood in London".

The new homes range from one bedroom apartments to four bedroom townhouses, with balconies, spacious private terraces, or wintergardens. They are centred around private courtyards, with neighbouring public spaces including new parklands, wetlands and children's play areas, all on the doorstep of Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park and Westfield Stratford City.

East Village features a new Academy school, which began admitting students in September, and a Health Centre that is seeing its first patients this week.

Since the end of the London Games, the Olympic Delivery Authority, development manager Lend Lease and their contractors have been reconfiguring all the homes in the former Olympic and Paralympic Village, removing temporary features and fitting brand new kitchens and flooring. Work is continuing on the remaining homes, which will be handed over in phases during the remainder of 2013 and the first part of 2014.

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### **Notes to editors**

#### **About Triathlon Homes**

Triathlon Homes offers a range of rent and ownership options and will enable eligible people on low to medium incomes to live in an East Village home. With extensive experience of managing homes in London, Triathlon Homes partners - East Thames Group, Southern

Housing Group, and developer and investor First Base look forward to welcoming residents into their new homes. [www.triathlonhomes.com](http://www.triathlonhomes.com)

### **The first East Village homes**

The two residential areas, or plots, that people are moving into initially are N10, closely followed by N09.

The N10 plot contains six residential blocks, named after stars: Carina House, Mimosa House, Mira House, Tucana Heights, Ursa Mansions, and Vega House. Triathlon Homes is responsible for 152 homes, including social rent, shared ownership and intermediate rent properties. Get Living London has 129 homes available for private rental.

The N09 plot comprises a single building and contains 62 homes available for shared ownership and intermediate rent through Triathlon Homes. Get Living London has 58 homes available for private rental. The single building in the N09 plot, Vesta House, is named after the Roman goddess of home and hearth.

Each of the areas in East Village was designed by a different architect to ensure a variety of styles and approaches – for N10, Eric Parry Architects, and DSDHA and PRP Architects at N09. Working with Lend Lease, John Sisk and Sons was responsible for construction and post-Games transformation of the two plots.

### **Key facts about East Village:**

#### New homes for Londoners

- A range of new homes, designed for modern, sustainable living by 16 world-renowned architects with construction, fittings and finishes to the highest standard
- 11 individually designed areas provide neighbourhood character
- Built to Code for sustainable Homes level 4

#### Spacious living

- Spans over 27 hectares of land, equivalent to St James's Park
- More than 10 hectares of new parks, landscaped gardens, public squares, play areas and courtyards
- Next to Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park – 285 hectares of parkland, waterways, and nature trails connected by paths for jogging cycling and walking

#### Time and choice

- One of the best connected neighbourhoods in London.
- Stratford International station and Stratford station offer links to London's key locations – reach the West End in 20 minutes, St Pancras International in 7 minutes (by High Speed 1), Canary Wharf in 12 minutes, and London airports within an hour
- Steps away from Westfield Stratford City, one of Europe's largest shopping centres, as well as over 30 local and independent shops, cafés and restaurants coming soon to East Village
- Adjacent to the world-class sporting venues of Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park

- A world-class education campus, Chobham Academy, with 2,000 places for students aged 3-19
- The Sir Ludwig Guttmann Health and Wellbeing Centre with a full range of healthcare facilities

#### Accessible living

- Just under 10% of East Village's 2,818 homes are specifically adapted for disabled people, designed to exceed industry standards set by HABINTEG and are 100% 'Lifetime Homes Compliant'
- Adapted homes have design features to allow for chairlifts, hoists and rails to be installed, kitchens have clear spaces underneath work surfaces, all electrical switches are easily accessible and there are downstairs bedrooms and bathroom facilities in all homes of more than two storeys

Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park will be a place unlike any other in London, offering the best in sporting and cultural amenities in world class venues and parks, and at the same time creating places to live and work that are rooted in the ethos and fabric of east London's diverse and vital communities. The north of the Park is already open for people to enjoy and the south of the Park will be reopening from spring 2014.

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