



Suburban Futures

Sources of further information

Suburbs

Centre for Suburban Studies

[//fass.kingston.ac.uk/research/suburban_studies](http://fass.kingston.ac.uk/research/suburban_studies)

Adopts interdisciplinary approach to the study of suburbia. 'Suburban Futures' (2006) responds to government policy.

Historic Environment Local Management (HELM)

www.helm.org.uk/suburbs

Partnership project led by English Heritage. Publications include 'The Heritage of Historic Suburbs'.

In Suburbia Partnership

www.civictrust.org.uk

Partnership between Civic Trust and local councils. Published 'In Suburbia: Delivering Sustainable Communities' (2005).

MacCormac Jamieson Prichard Architects

www.mjarchitects.co.uk

'Sustainable Suburbia' report (2007) explores the possibilities and benefits of higher suburban housing densities.

SOLUTIONS (Sustainability of Land Use and Transport in Outer Neighbourhoods)

www.suburbansolutions.ac.uk

Research consortium of five universities, investigating how to design England's future suburbs.

Towards Successful Suburban Town Centres

www.sstc.ucl.ac.uk

Three year research study carried out by the Bartlett Institute into what makes suburban centres successful.

Sustainable neighbourhoods

Academy for Sustainable Communities

www.ascskills.org.uk

National centre for delivering the skills and knowledge needed to make better places. Collect good practice examples.

Code for Sustainable Homes

www.communities.gov.uk/thecode

National standard for sustainable design and construction of new homes. Uses a 1 to 6 star rating system.

Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE)

www.cabe.org.uk

The government's advisor on architecture, urban design and public space. Wide range of publications and best practice case studies.

Creating Excellence

South West regional centre of excellence. Provide information on regeneration and sustainable communities.

www.creatingexcellence.org.uk

Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG)

www.communities.gov.uk/communities

Government department which sets policy on housing, urban regeneration and planning.

Forum for the Future

www.forumforthefuture.org.uk

Charity which works in partnership with government and other institutions to achieve a more sustainable way of life. Produces 'Sustainable Cities Index'.

Resource for Urban Design Information (RUDI)

www.rudi.net

Web-based resource dedicated to urban design and place-making. Commissions, researches and creates materials for professionals in the public and private sector.

Urban and Economic Development Group (URBED)

www.urbed.co.uk

Not-for-profit urban regeneration organisation. Published 'Tools for Making London's Suburbs More Sustainable' (2006) gives guidance on implementing policy on suburbs.

Urban Design Alliance (UDAL)

www.udal.org.uk

Network of organisations that promote the value of good urban design. Publications include 'Designing Streets for People' (2002).



Housing growth

Actions for Housing Growth

www.cabe.org.uk/AssetLibrary/9352.pdf

CABE publication setting out ways to create high-quality places in growth areas.

Carbon Challenge

www.englishpartnerships.co.uk/carbonchallenge

Government initiative which aims to deliver a number of new communities designed to meet the highest level of the Code for Sustainable Homes.

Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG)

www.communities.gov.uk/housing

Government department which sets policy on housing, urban regeneration and planning.

English Partnerships

www.englishpartnerships.co.uk

National regeneration agency; manages a portfolio of strategic development sites.

Housing Corporation

www.housingcorp.gov.uk

Government agency that funds new affordable homes and regulates housing associations in England.

South West Regional Spatial Strategy

www.southwest-ra.gov.uk

Sets a regional framework about 'where things go', what the scale of development should be, and basic infrastructure.

Town and Country Planning Association

www.tcpa.org.uk

Campaigns to improve the UK's planning system. Has published 'Best Practice in Urban Extensions' (2007).

West of England Partnership

www.westofengland.org

Partnership of Bath & North East Somerset, Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire formed to help deliver growth in the sub-region.

Featured projects

Cranbrook

www.davidlock.com/Site/cranbrook

Gallions Park

www.bioregional-quintain.com

Greenwich Millennium Village

www.greenwich-village.co.uk

Hammarby Sjöstad

www.hammarbysjostad.se

Hanham Hall

www.hanhamhall.co.uk

Newhall

www.newhallproject.co.uk

Nieuw Terbregge

www.nieuw-terbregge.nl

Oxley Park East

www.miltonkeynespartnership.info

Prefabulous

www.proctorandmatthews.com

RuralZED and SuburbanZED

www.zedfactory.com

Upton

www.englishpartnerships.co.uk/upton

Vauban

www.vauban.de

Community involvement

It's Your Space

www.itsyourspace.org.uk

Campaign by CABE Space to improve public spaces; inspirational projects.

Placecheck

www.placecheck.info

Method of assessing the qualities of a place and identifying improvements.

South West Planning Aid

www.planningaid.rtpi.org.uk

Free and independent planning advice, primarily for disadvantaged communities.

The Glass-House

www.theglasshouse.org.uk

Registered charity that supports and encourages community-led design..

Further reading

Shaping Neighbourhoods: A Guide for Health, Sustainability and Vitality

Hugh Barton, Marcus Grant and Richard Guise. Spon Press (2003).