

Here's a round up of what we've been up to and what we've got in the wings for you. We can help you create or steward places to be beautiful, sustainable and popular. **Get in touch**.

# "YES" TO NEIGHBOURHOOD DESIGN CODES

We're delighted that two of the community-led design codes we've been supporting have just been approved in their neighbourhood plan referendums on 2 May. Bravo to Wadhurst Parish in East Sussex and the Arches Forum in Chatham. In both cases residents wanted to make it easier to improve and intensify their neighbourhoods with beautiful new homes, street trees and new buildings which look like 'they are from here not from anywhere.' We think Wadhurst's code is the first parish design codes based on the National Model Design Code.



Wadhurst in East Sussex (**Design Code**)

Chatham in Kent (Neighbourhood plan)

#### RECREATING STREETS IN SUNDERLAND

Five years ago, thanks to support from the **Power to Change** Fund, Create Streets began working with Sunderland charity, **Back on the Map**, to reinstate historic urban terraces foolishly demolished in the 1970s. It's been a long road but we're still on it. Developers TOWN have recently submitted planning permission for 75 new terraced homes following our original masterplan and with our public realm and landscaping. If all goes to plan, construction could begin as soon as next year....



Thanks to support from the **Create Streets Foundation**, we are working with SAFE Regeneration to help the congregation of Christ Church in Bootle work out how to create lovely new homes on some underused land and revive their beautiful old vicarage. Lauren, George and Nicholas led a walking tour last month before putting pen to paper with visual preference surveys and a co-design session. Watch this space!



## **EDUCATION**

### **Summer School (Sherborne)**

Come and spend a week in wonderful Sherborne learning how to design happy and healthy, beautiful and sustainable paces that will stand the test of time. As one graduate last year put it, 'I learnt more in these three days than my three-year degree!' The Create Streets Foundation Urban Design and Architecture Summer School is a one week residential course in July and is aimed at students and early to mid-career professionals. Find out more and apply here. Teachers hail from the Create Streets team and fellows, ADAM Architecture and the University of Notre Dame.



## **Oxford University Course**

David Milner and Robert Kwolek taught The Design Coding for Sustainable Development course at Oxford University this February. It was an intense one day-course focusing on practical advice to create successful codes working alongside councils, communities and the private sector. Good news: it will return later this year due to popular demand. Dates will be announced on our social media channels first so do please follow us.





Haribo has finished the street section. What should he do next?

## **GETTING SOCIAL**

**UKREiiF**: Will you be there too? If you fancy grabbing a coffee with either Nicholas, Eleanor or George during the big hoohaa in Leeds later this month, please do **drop us a message** to connect or reconnect!

Labour and Conservative Conferences: We'll be back hosting events at both conferences this coming Autumn. We've still got sponsorship opportunities. **Get in touch** to discuss running an event together.



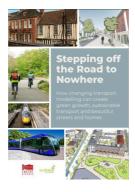
#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

The '3-eyes street assessment' has been one of our most popular little packages lately. It's a fast and affordable independent assessment of street improvements to maximise effect on local health and prosperity. Whether to green up, improve active travel or as part of a new development, establishing a baseline assessment of the street can provide strong support for a case for improvement. Get in touch to find out more.



## **MOVEMENT MATTERS**

Our two recent important reports have featured in *The Times* and *The Guardian*. Both discuss the relationship between how we get about and the places we live in and create. *Stepping off the road to nowhere* shows how changing transport modelling can help build more homes on less land by unlocking the gift of 'gentle density.' *Move Free* shows how making it as easy to get about in as many ways as possible boosts local prosperity, high streets and wellbeing. Watch this space for the third of trilogy of movement-focused reports coming soon...





### IN THE BLOG AISLE

**Restiching Dresden: Coventry's German twin city on the Elbe** The story of Dresden's renaissance.

Creating a new slice of Devon Architect James Armitage on the proposals for Sandycote, a development of 44 new houses arranged around a village green.

A low-car 'gentle density' presents a radical alternative Find out about the Phoenix in Lewes.

Notes on Restitch Looking back at the March Social fabric Summit in Coventry.













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