

Anjulita Court

North Brickhill, Bedford

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client	The Ibbett Trust / MHA
location	Bedford
size	3337m2 + 23 Assisted Living Flats
value	£10.05m
status	Complete

Project overview

This unique, award-winning 62-bedroom Elderly and Dementia Care Home and 23 assisted living flats, is situated in a key location on the edge of a new housing development at the head of a tree-lined boulevard.

The dominating central timber framed archway, donned 'The Grand Arch', visually serves as an entry to the countryside from the new suburb. In earthy, heather-coloured render, the curving walls and distinctive tapering brickwork columns signal the public realm; internally this area houses the public facilities such as the Café, hydrotherapy pool, treatment and therapy rooms.

'The Grand Arch' separates the two wings. To the rear, they are linked with a 2-storey timber and glass structure, creating a private and secure landscaped courtyard.

"Anjulita Court presents an obviously impressive external appearance, incorporating innovative structural elements with an attractive pallet of materials and colours, but the attention to detail internally is of an even higher standard. The imaginative layout serves to flood all areas with natural light and provides excellent choices of communal space for residents to enjoy individually or together. The architects' brief was to put aside the usual care home themes and they have successfully created something both visually striking and sympathetic to the needs of its residents". Pinders Awards Judges' citation.



Project services

- Architecture
- Interior Design

Awards

- Regional Finalist, Civic Trust Awards 2012
- Winner, Pinders Healthcare Design Awards 2010, 'Elderly Care'
- Excellence in Roofing Award 2010
- Finalist, Housing Design Awards 2010, 'Best Development for Housing our Ageing Population'

