

Westferry Studios

Limehouse, London



Left: All units, because of their intended use for the arts and crafts, are provided with large windows to receive high levels of daylight

This live/work development is part of a larger scheme initiated by the LDDC and Peabody Trust. The design of the building addresses its position as a focal point between the Docklands Light Railway to the north and Westferry Road to the east, by announcing to passing traffic the Westferry location through the use of 9m high, light cream brick 'super graphics' set in a background of blue-grey engineering bricks on the outer elevation. This elevation of 'super graphics' links the two blocks which form the development around the central courtyard – the core of the buildings' activity. The arrival of goods and materials, access to studio units via the stairs or lifts, all take place through this space and the high-level suspended access balconies.

Client: Peabody Trust



Address
Westferry Road, London, E14
Client
Peabody Trust
Local Authority
London Borough of Tower Hamlets
Content
27 live/work shells 3500m2 B1 units
Contract Value
£3.5 million
Completion Date
1999
Main Contractor
Gleeson
Consultants
Structural Whitbybird Environmental Whitbybird Cost Davis Langdon
CZWG Team
Jim Corcoran, Michael Foster
Executive Architects
Heber Percy Parker, London