

## Project name Old Holloway

**Project summary** A seductively simple self-build utilising an innovative pre-fabricated straw-bale/timber construction. Perservering through a 4 year planning process, the single storey detached home sits snugly within its rural surroundings. The proposal creates an informal courtyard utilising the existing huts on site and the dwelling an arrangement that is typical for the local area. The scale and massing of the simple single-storey detached dwelling, with pitched roof and south facing verandah, is sympathetic to local vernacular architecture.



## Project Description

Projected build start date

Projected date of occupation 01 Nov 2017

Project stage Occupied

Project location Little Birch, Hertfordshire, England

Energy target PassivHaus

Build type New build

Building sector Private Residential

Property type Detached

Existing external wall construction Other

Existing external wall additional information	Ecococon timber/ straw prefab panel system
Existing party wall construction	
Floor area	95 m <sup>2</sup>
Floor area calculation method	PHPP
Building certification	Passivhaus certified

## Project team

Organisation	
Project lead	
Client	
Architect	Juraj Mikurcik
Mechanical & electrical consultant(s)	
Energy consultant(s)	Nick Grant & Alan Clarke
Structural engineer	
Quantity surveyor	
Other consultant	
Contractor	Self-build, Mike Whitfield Construction Ltd

## Design strategies

Planned occupancy
Space heating strategy
Water heating strategy
Fuel strategy
Renewable energy generation strategy
Passive solar strategy
Space cooling strategy
Daylighting strategy
Ventilation strategy
Airtightness strategy
Strategy for minimising thermal bridges
Modelling strategy
Insulation strategy
Other relevant retrofit strategies
Other information (constraints or opportunities influencing project design or outcomes)

## Energy use

Fuel use by type (kWh/yr)

Fuel	previous	forecast	measured
<b>Electric</b>			
<b>Gas</b>			

Fuel	previous	forecast	measured
<b>Oil</b>			
<b>LPG</b>			
<b>Wood</b>			

### Primary energy requirement & CO2 emissions

	previous	forecast	measured
<b>Annual CO2 emissions</b> (kg CO2/m <sup>2</sup> .yr)	-	-	-
<b>Primary energy requirement</b> (kWh/m <sup>2</sup> .yr)	-	-	-

### Renewable energy (kWh/yr)

Renewables technology	forecast	measured
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-		
<b>Energy consumed by generation</b>		

### Airtightness ( m<sup>3</sup>/m<sup>2</sup>.hr @ 50 Pascals )

	Date of test	Test result
Pre-development airtightness	-	-
Final airtightness	-	-

### Annual space heat demand ( kWh/m<sup>2</sup>.yr )

	Pre-development	forecast	measured
<b>Space heat demand</b>	-	-	-

Whole house energy calculation method

Other energy calculation method

Predicted annual heating load

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Other energy target(s)

## Building services

Occupancy

Space heating

Hot water

Ventilation

Controls

Cooking

Lighting

Appliances

Renewables

## Building construction

Storeys

Volume

Thermal fabric area

Roof description

Roof U-value

Walls description

Walls U-value

Party walls description

Party walls U-value

Floor description

Floor U-value

Glazed doors description

Glazed doors U-value

Opaque doors description

Opaque doors U-value

Windows description

Windows U-value

Windows energy transmittance  
(G-value)

Windows light transmittance

Rooflights description

Rooflights light transmittance

Rooflights U-value

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## Project images

