



Charter Quay, Kingston-upon-Thames, UK

A New Cultural and Residential Riverside
Quarter: Linking the Market Square with
the River Thames



An excellent development, it provides high-density, mixed-use accommodation adjacent to an existing centre of activity.



Building for Life, Judges' Evaluation

Charter Quay was an under-used and unsightly former industrial riverside site located in the historic town centre of Kingston-upon-Thames.

The site's strategic location between Kingston's market square and the riverside restricted pedestrian accessibility to the river edge.

Project Delivery

- A new cultural and residential quarter to create a new destination within Kingston.
- Carefully placed juxtaposition of high-density residential buildings to ensure most of the 244 apartments have river views.
- Residential entrances orientated to open into public spaces to enliven and activate the streets.
- A theatre, shops, restaurants and cafes arranged around a new, car-free, public square with public art linking the market square to the River Thames.
- Design of new frontages on the market square to reflect the scale and character of existing buildings.
- A new boardwalk and bridge to complete a missing section of the Thames Path.
- Creation of a wetland habitat along an existing creek with new moorings for boats.



Client

St George

Awards

Building for Life Awards 2004
Gold Standard Award Winner

National Home Builder Design Awards 2003
Best Mixed-use Development

The Waterways Renaissance Awards 2002
Commendation for Waterside Regeneration

Association of Town Centre Managers Awards 2002
Best Town Centre Mixed-use Development

