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# Housing at Lewis Cubitt Park, King's Cross

Argent have unveiled the concluding residential building within the King's Cross Masterplan, a residential building designed by Allies and Morrison located at Lewis Cubitt Park. Named Capella, the new building comprises 176 new homes (120 market / 56 social rented), across a mix of generous studio, one-, two- and three-bed flats and townhouses.

The building is composed as a terrace of five 'towers' overlooking Lewis Cubitt Park, and one each addressing Chilton Square and Keskidee Square. Each is different, but they are united by a common family of materials: white and grey brickwork, sinusoidal pre-cast concrete and green metalwork - its colour echoing the park. A very layered approach to the facade provides visual depth and richness. Individual units will benefit from floor-to-ceiling windows and private terraces that afford views out across King's Cross; views which will be enjoyed by residents of both tenures.

The ground floor is designed to accommodate active uses to help integrate the building into the wider neighbourhood, promoting a sense of urban parkside living. Share amenity spaces include a roof terrace with views over King's Cross, a residents' lounge, shared dining and entertainment areas for residents.

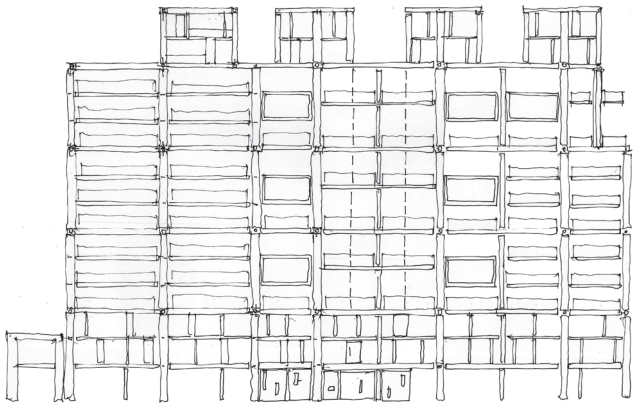
The building, which is due for completion in 2024, represents an important milestone in Allies and Morrison's involvement with King's Cross. We are co-masterplanner of the overall development, now an international exemplar in sustainable urban regeneration. Allies and Morrison is also the architect of several buildings across the estate: Two Pancras Square - a BREEAM Outstanding office building, a centralised cooling energy plant, the refurbishment of the German Gymnasium into a destination restaurant, and the delivery of the Aga Khan Centre - a new cultural and educational hub for the Aga Khan Foundation.



Robert Evans, Joint Managing Partner at Argent LLP and CEO of King's Cross said "The launch of Capella presents our last collection of new homes at King's Cross and the final opportunity to become part of this extraordinary neighbourhood.

This is a significant milestone in the transformation of King's Cross. Capella will complete Lewis Cubitt Park, the green centrepiece of a 67-acre masterplan, defined by exceptional public squares, parks and gardens. Residents will have shops, cafes, bars and restaurants, galleries, schools, sport, leisure and community facilities, on their doorstep. The Regent's Canal, historic Coal Drops and the best-connected transport hub in London, are a short walk away. We believe Capella offers exactly what people want from city living and we look forward to residents making this their new home."

'When this building is finished, it will feel as if King's Cross is more or less complete. It formally brings together three public spaces within the project, particularly Lewis Cubitt Park, and is one of the last buildings to be designed within the masterplan. In many ways, our approach as architects in this case embodies the principles we have promoted at King's Cross from the beginning as masterplanners - of designing for both unity and diversity, of being concerned with quality, of crafting a human-scaled place.' says Graham Morrison, partner, Allies and Morrison.



Location	London NC1
Uses	Housing, retail
Client	Argent
Status	Current
Size	20,000 sqm
Units	176
Expertise	Architecture
Collaborators	Interiors - Social Building: Allies and Morrison, Interiors - Market Building: Johnson Naylor, Structural Engineer: Ramboll, Planning: Argent, Civil Engineer: Ramboll, Service Engineer: Hoare Lea, Facade: FMDC, Landscape: Todd Longstaff-Gowan, Sustainability: Hoare Lea, Waste & Transport: Arup, Accessibility: All Clear, Ecology: RPS, Public Realm - Infrastructure: Stantec, Public Realm - Landscape: Townshend Landscape Architects, Public Realm - Lighting: Speirs & Major

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