



A+ Islington, London

The transformation of the former Angel School in Islington, North London has seen the creation of a model mixed-tenure community.

The imposing Victorian building and its surroundings are now home to 73 new apartments and houses, now known as the A+ development. Fifty-four homes were built for sale and 19 for affordable rent – 13 apartments and six town houses, with two apartments specially designed for people with a disability. Much of the building's original charm and character still exists. Inside, a central atrium has been constructed around the main staircase, which is overlooked by a glass roof.



This has the effect of flooding the centre of the building with natural light. Within the one and two-bedroom apartments, mezzanine floors have been installed over the living and kitchen areas, creating a sense of spaciousness.

On the roof, five apartments have been built offering high-quality penthouse accommodation.

Outside, careful restoration work has ensured the preservation of the attractive and ornate brickwork. The original slate tower and weather vane have also been restored. All work is fully compliant with conditions set out by the local conservation plan.

The former caretaker's house has been converted into three apartments, and 35 homes are contained in new buildings constructed on the old playground. This new-build element is situated around a central courtyard area with gardens and soft landscaping.

