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THE FUTURE'S BRIGHT WITH PROJECT ORANGE

Award winning property developer Urban Splash has appointed London based architect Project Orange for the design of a new building at New Islington.

The team was appointed following an invited competition with Featherstone Associates, Mole Architects and Maurice Shapiro and will now be responsible for overseeing the design of the 'bookend' building at New Islington, Manchester's Millennium Community,

The building will be situated adjacent to Tutti Frutti, a self build residential scheme at New Islington. It will comprise a mix of ground floor leisure space as well as family homes on the upper floors, introducing a completely new concept in housing.

Intricate details of the building's design will be unveiled in the coming weeks but the architects have developed a concept for a striking structure which will complement the array of homes alongside it.

Project Orange is a ten year old consultancy and the team has worked on a number of UK and international projects and has designed schemes in London, Dublin and India. Director James Soane said: "We are delighted to have been appointed-for this scheme. Tutti Frutti is an incredibly exciting project and we look forward to working up a design which will compliment the diversity of the self build homes and become an infamous and well loved structure."

Added Richard Hattan of Urban Splash: “This will be one of the smaller plots in New Islington, but also one of the most visible, with views across the water. Even now, before construction has started, it’s quite a special place, We therefore wanted a building which made the most of its setting. Project Orange demonstrated some exciting conceptual ideas, which we look forward to developing with them over the coming months.”

The news marks further progress at Tutti Frutti, with the first six residential plots at the site also having recently attained planning permission. Anyone wishing to find out more about the scheme, or about general opportunities at New Islington should visit

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