

TheUrbanGlow Design & Heritage Ltd

Experience of working with communities

TheUrbanGlow has over 16 years experience of working with communities and within local authorities in Yorkshire in matters of Planning, Urban Design and Heritage. Andrew Graham is a passionate advocate of community led development and as well as being engaged directly with communities and Councils in Village Design Statements, Neighbourhood Planning and Characterisation, he has also represented communities such as the Farsley Residents Action Group on helping advocate development in the right places through his role as Expert Heritage Witness at Planning Appeal. Most recently he produced a major masterplanning and characterisation piece for Aireborough Neighbourhood Forum which provided a strong vision for directing development into the future whilst protecting the special architectural, landscape and historic character of the areas of Yeadon, Guiseley and Menston. He also provided design layouts for smaller sites and helped advocate their use for community self build as an allocation within the Local Plan.

Involvement in community led or self-build developments (especially housing projects)

The Aireborough Characterisation project examined opportunity sites for community led housing development and Andrew Graham worked with the community in order to gain a feasibility understanding of potential housing units that would fit well into their context whilst meeting the robust practicalities and Best Practice of the Leeds 'Neighbourhoods for Living' guidance for residential design. As a former employee of York and Leeds City Council's Andrew Graham was involved with several community projects including Leopold in Chapel Allerton where he offered Design and Heritage support as well as advocacy of sustainable placemaking and retrofit of historic buildings. He was also involved with Community Build North and also works on several select projects in York including using community self build as a case study for students whom he lectures to at the University of York and York City College.

Areas where they work	Richmondshire Craven Harrogate Hambleton	York Ryedale Scarborough East Riding
Services they can provide	Planning Architectural Design	Services they can offer through other providers Community Development
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