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Affordable Housing with a Touch of Historic Luxury

A former primary school ground has been transformed into a contemporary mixed-use development by national design firm MODE DESIGN for the Brisbane Housing Company.

A clever combination of one, two and three bedroom affordable housing apartments nestled among communal amenities and shared open spaces has created a vibrant village atmosphere for residents of Earnshaw Haven in Brisbane's north.

While standard designs and shared spaces is a common theme of affordable housing the Architects have created privacy by incorporating individual court yards and balconies for entertaining guests and an ingenious mix of block designs and varying colour schemes to inject personality into the shared living quarters.

"The main issue with affordable housing is to keep costs minimal. By selecting robust yet low maintenance materials we were able to lower construction costs and whole of life costing," says MODE DESIGN Architect Max Weston.

The result is 43 stunning yet highly functional and affordable living alternatives.

The most intriguing part of the development is the heritage listed building located within the premises which features as a community hall and a museum highlighting the history of the school for residents and the whole community.

The building is believed to be close to 150 years old and has been restored to its former glory using historical documents and photographs.

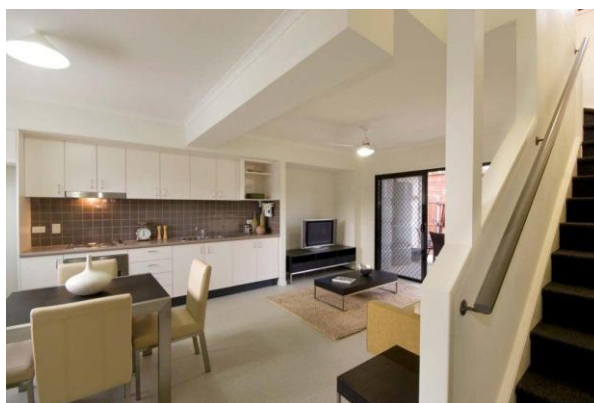
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