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Timekeepers Square shortlisted for RIBA Award

English Cities Fund is celebrating yet again, after its Timekeepers Square development in Salford is shortlisted for a highly-coveted Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) North West Award.

One of nine schemes in the region picked in recognition of their architectural excellence, Timekeepers Square has been a roaring success since it was brought to market, receiving more than 5,000 enquiries and all sales secured off plan within seven months.

Designed by architects Buttress as a contemporary reinterpretation of the area's existing Georgian houses, the development includes three blocks of 36 two, three and four-bedroom townhouses. Each of the terraces have been set out to re-establish the historic urban grain of the area, focusing on the architectural and urban focal point of the adjacent Grade II* listed St Phillips Church, while also serving to define a new communal courtyard at the heart of the development.

Timekeepers Square is the second residential development in the area from the English Cities Fund – a joint venture between Muse Developments, Legal & General and Homes England. The scheme forms part of the wider Salford Central regeneration, which is breathing new life into both the Chapel Street and New Bailey areas of the city.

Andy Avery, director at Buttress said: "With Timekeepers Square, we sought to provide a sensitive, contemporary response to the conservation area's Georgian architecture. What results is a distinct, modern neighbourhood that represents an important step in providing sustainable family housing in the heart of Salford."

Phil Mayall, development director at the English Cities Fund, added: "To be shortlisted for yet another prestigious award is testament to the hard work of everyone involved in the development of Timekeepers Square. The scheme has been a huge success and has made a substantial contribution to the ongoing regeneration of Chapel Street."

All shortlisted buildings will now be assessed by a regional jury, with the winning buildings announced at an awards ceremony at One Fine Day, Liverpool on Wednesday 16 May 2018. Regional Award winners will then be considered for a RIBA National Award.