

CASE STUDY



FOSTERS CROFT
Hatfield



PROJECT

A new development of traditional homes

CONTRACTOR

BC Tiling

HOUSEBUILDER

Mell Homes

PRODUCT

Cathedral Clay Pantiles and
Postel Clay Tiles

KEEPING IT TRADITIONAL

Faced with tight planning restrictions in a conservation area, Mell Homes selected Cathedral Clay Pantiles and Postel Clay Tiles to roof Fosters Croft, its select development of three and four bedroom homes.

"There were numerous planning conditions for this project so, where we might normally have considered concrete tiles they were not an option for this project," says Natalie O'Connor, director of Mell Homes. "We went for these clay tiles and pantiles and the finished homes look great."

Hatfield itself has many traditional buildings constructed from handmade brick dating back to the 18th century which feature clay pantile roofs. There was an existing building on the project site that was beyond repair but required a historical report.

Working with its preferred roofing contractor, BC Tiling, the developer chose Cathedral Clay Pantiles for the two detached four-bedroom houses that had to be built on the exact footprint of the historic building and Postel Clay Tiles for the two three-bedroomed semi-detached cottages. "The two cottages have a more complex shape, like an old sixpence, and have three ridges so BC Tiling suggested that Postel was the better option," says Natalie.

Neil Barron of BC Tiling explains: "We had already used Cathedral Clay Pantiles on two other developments that had won awards from the NHBC and we like the quality of the product, the reasonable costings and their availability. We thought the Postel would complement the appearance and also meet the planning constraints on the site – it's a very nice-looking tile."



Available in two popular colours that will mellow with age, Cathedral Pantiles retain all the charm and visual appeal of a traditional clay pantile with the added benefit of high performance.

Unlike the Cathedral, the Postel Clay Tile is modelled on a 20th century tile that was very popular in South-East England – the Courtrai tile – which was imported into the UK from Belgium between the world wars due to a lack of indigenous supply at the time, and require a like-for-like replacement.



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