



# MAKE IT MODULAR

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## HELPING THE HOMELESS

Introducing our emergency accommodation module, a fast and comfortable solution for housing the UK's homeless.

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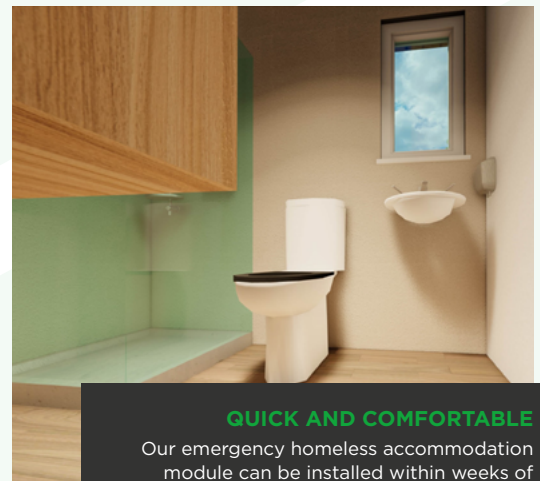
With thousands of homeless people living in temporary accommodation or on the streets in the UK, we've created a modular concept that could help local authorities give people a new start.

We're also looking in detail at the procurement process for healthcare and education, and introducing our modular 'places of safety'.

THE PEOPLE FOR MODULAR BUILDINGS

# SAFE SPACES FOR THE UK'S HOMELESS

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## QUICK AND COMFORTABLE

Our emergency homeless accommodation module can be installed within weeks of the initial enquiry.

**Did you know that thousands of homeless families are living in unsuitable temporary accommodation in the UK? That's why we developed a modular accommodation product designed to provide high-quality accommodation for homeless people and offer local authorities a speedy solution.**

Our concept is a blueprint for a safe, comfortable single-storey home comprising a bedroom, bathroom, and kitchen/living space. The module is based on our LABC-approved modular house; the single module version is fully relocatable, offering local authorities plenty of flexibility, and the design can be configured as a larger complex for community or family use.

Where the local authority specifies photovoltaic panels to generate electricity, the emergency accommodation has the option of being net zero carbon, and with the addition of 'powerwall' solutions, the building can include features like electric bike charge points, providing those living in the building with a means of active transport.

The accommodation would be constructed in our specialist factory, before being installed and finished on-site, and we offer a full turnkey service that includes design, groundworks, build, delivery and installation of fixtures and fittings. The factory build process means that the project can progress whatever the weather, and our bespoke modular buildings allow for freedom of design and the ability to match the building to the available space. **Contact us today to find out more.**

# A 10-STEP GUIDE TO MODULAR SPECIFICATION

## STEP 1 SEEK OUT EXPERIENCE

Find a provider who understands the unique challenges of your sector.



## STEP 2 REQUEST REFERENCES

The right provider may even take you to see past projects.



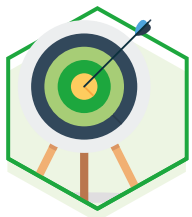
## STEP 3 BUY WITH CONFIDENCE

Look out for providers on frameworks, like the Crown Commercial Services framework.



## STEP 4 BE SPECIFIC

Being clear on the purpose of your building will make it easier to find the right provider.



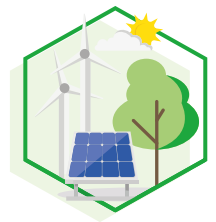
## STEP 5 FUTURE PROOFING

Look for flexibility of design: do you have the option to add extra floors or wings if needed?



## STEP 6 EMBRACE SUSTAINABILITY

Consider the use of sustainable materials and features, or even go for net zero carbon.



## STEP 7 WHOLE LIFE COSTS

Invest at the outset for long-term savings, especially on energy usage and warranties.



## STEP 8 POSITION IT WELL

Think about factors like allowing in natural light, and blending with existing buildings or landscapes.



## STEP 9 GENERATE REVENUE

For schools in particular, there may be the option to rent out a modular building for community use.



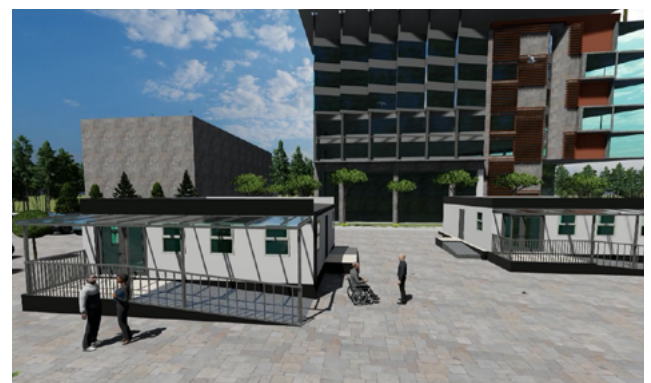
## STEP 10 EXPLORE FUNDING

There are a number of financing options available - think about hiring and leasing buildings as well as purchasing.



## HOW WE'RE CREATING 'PLACES OF SAFETY'

We already supply high quality modular healthcare facilities: with some mental health trusts unable to provide specialist Section 136 suites, we're offering to supply modular 'places of safety' to support those suffering from mental ill-health too. We can help reduce costs and deliver units to trusts in a drastically reduced timeframe, exactly where trusts most need the extra space.



*Mental health patients also suffer from a lack of suitable space*

# MEET THE TEAM

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If you've read this issue, you're already familiar with Roel Carbonel's work: his technical department was behind our emergency homeless accommodation product, and our Section 136 suite concepts too.

Roel joined us in 2019 as an architectural technician and is involved in almost every step of our projects, from modelling to client liaison to managing specialist sub-contractors.



**ROEL CARBONEL, architectural technician**

Despite our busy summer, Roel still had time to indulge in his personal passion: photography.



*Our isolation ward was delivered in just weeks*

## MISSION ACCOMPLISHED: ROYAL SURREY COUNTY HOSPITAL

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**Gary Mountjoy, associate director for estates facilities, health safety and major capital projects at Royal Surrey County Hospital:**

“ Elite is one of the top contractors we've ever worked with. A solution like this 20-bed ward would typically take two years to deliver – completing it within 14 weeks, as Elite have done, is unheard of within our industry, and this was only possible through the company's support and ability to rise to the challenge. ”

## ASK US ABOUT NET ZERO CARBON BUILDINGS

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At Elite, we consider the whole life carbon cost of all of our buildings and can offer solutions to ensure that your modular building achieves net zero carbon.

