



# The Role of Off-Site Construction in Delivering New Homes

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# **About The McAvoy Group**

- One of the UK's leading offsite specialists
- Independent, family-owned
- Established principal contractor
- **Delivering high quality buildings** for education, healthcare, residential, commercial and infrastructure
- Harnessing digital technology to streamline processes and further improve the quality and efficiency of buildings

Smart facts

Winner of RICS
Award for Best Virtual Reality BIM

Smart facts

Delivering bespoke offsite solutions for 40+ years Smart facts
BIM & VR – a
vital part of
our
business

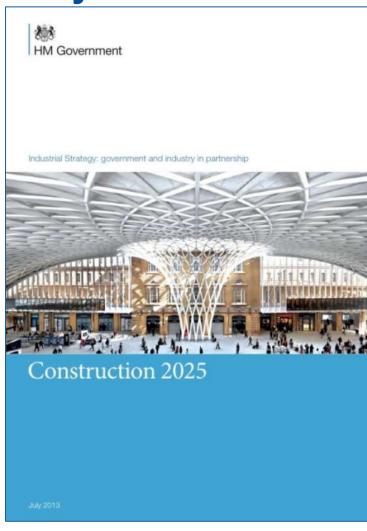
**Smart facts** 

1<sup>st</sup> offsite specialist to achieve BIM Level 2 accreditation Smart facts

2 purpose-built offsite manufacturing centres spanning 120,000sqft



# **Why Offsite**



### Lower costs

33%

reduction in the initial cost of construction and the whole life cost of built assets

# Lower emissions

50%

reduction in greenhouse gas emissions in the built environment

### **Faster delivery**

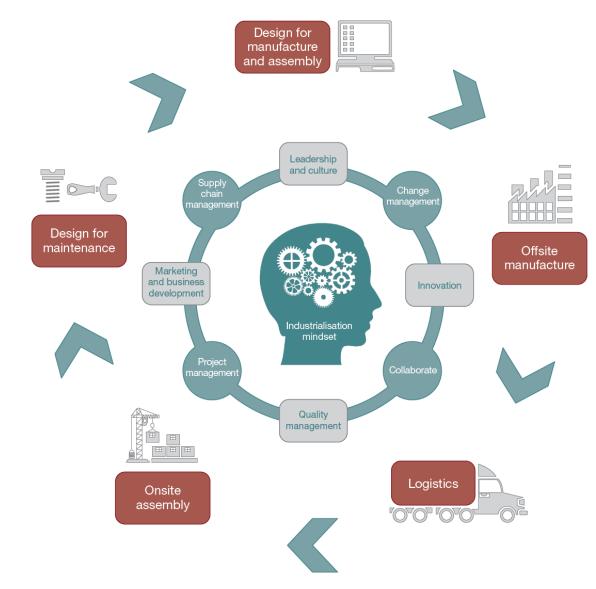
50%

reduction in the overall time, from inception to completion, for newbuild and refurbished assets

# Improvement in exports

50%

reduction in the trade gap between total exports and total imports for construction products and materials





# **Benefits of Offsite Construction**

**Build safer** 

Less waste

**Build faster** 

**Greater build quality** 

**Consistently on time** and budget

**Enhanced collaboration** 

**Exceptional flexibility** 

**Less disruption** 

Reduced whole life costs

Faster return on investment



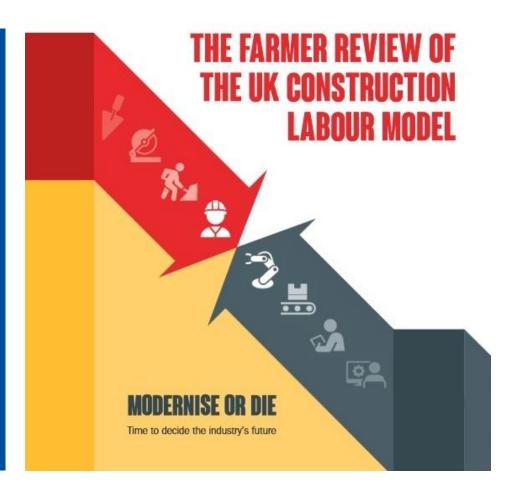
- Identified and analysed the deep seated problems associated with the construction industry
- Identified the symptoms
- Diagnosed the root causes
- Established a treatment plan for recovery
- Keeping the industry under observation





### **Identified Issues**

- Low Productivity
- Low Predictability
- Structural Fragmentation
- Leadership Fragmentation
- Low Margins, Adversarial Pricing Models & Financial Fragility
- Dysfunctional Training Funding & Delivery Model
- Workforce Size & Demographics
- Lack of Collaboration & Improvement Culture
- Lack of R&D & Investment in Innovation
- Poor Industry Image





### **Recommendations**

• 'Industry, clients and government should work together to improve relationships and increase levels of investment in R&D and innovation in construction by changing commissioning trends from traditional to premanufactured approaches. The housing sector should be used as a scalable pilot programme for this integrated approach'





### **Recommendations**

 Government should act to provide an 'initiation' stimulus to innovation in the housing sector by promoting the use of pre-manufactured solutions through policy measures'





# House of Lords – Offsite Manufacture for Construction

- Growing labour & skills shortage in construction
- Offsite construction can lesson however different skills required for manufacturing
- Imperative skills needed for offsite do not displace traditional skills such as bricklaying
- Skills required for Offsite Construction
  - Site Implementation Skills
  - Technical Planning and Collaborative Skills
  - 'Gatekeeper' Skills
  - Procurement Skills
  - Digital Skills





# House of Lords – Offsite Manufacture for Construction

'The Government has a presumption in favour of off-site manufacture and has affirmed its commitment to investing in off-site in the Construction Sector Deal; we strongly support this direction of travel'





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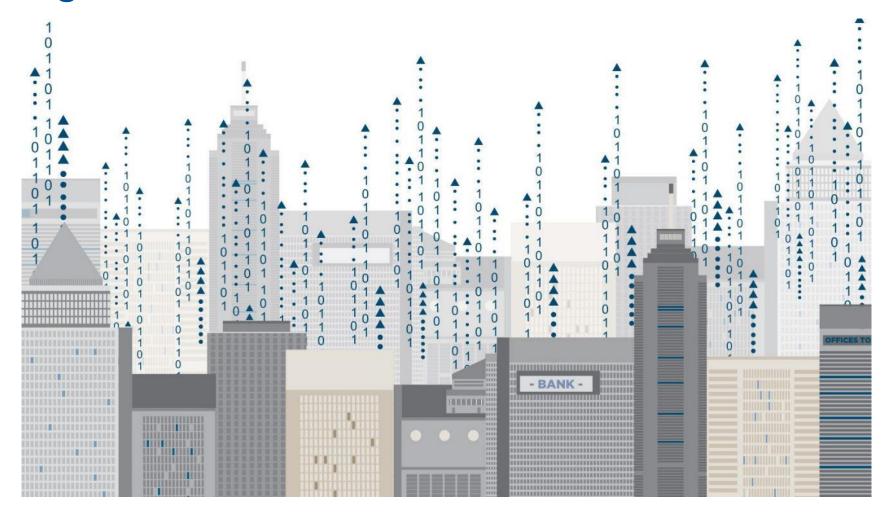
### **Government actions to overcome barriers**

- Implementation of the Construction Sector Deal
- Government enforcement of the BIM Mandate for public contracts
- Presumption in favour of off-site construction
- Provision of a steady pipeline of projects
- Sharing intelligent client best practice across Public Sector
- Promote the adoption of recognised standards for of OSC
- Government funding for R&D and reinvestment of R&D tax credits into the off-site industry.





# **Digital Construction**



Smart Construction, from virtual to reality



### BIM and Digital Construction – Early engagement & collaboration

- More effective collaboration
- Shorter design periods critical for offsite
- Streamlining of processes
- Better quality, and early decisions
- Improved client engagement

Smart Construction, from virtual to reality





# Virtual Reality – early client engagement

- Easy transition to VR from the CAD authoring package
- 'One click' VR
- Bi-directional link between VR session and the CAD authoring package



# Live Design



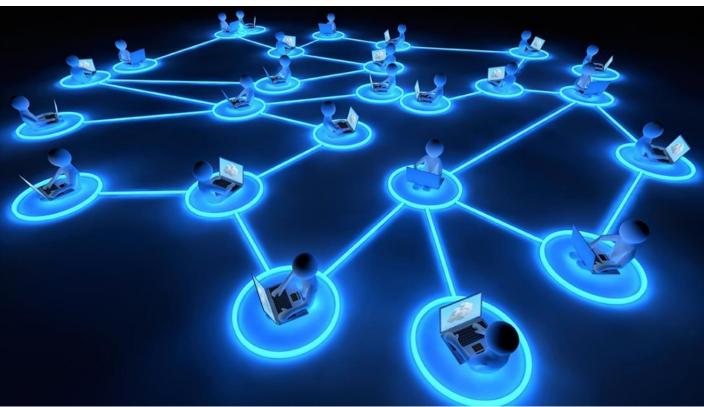


# **How We Use Virtual Reality**

- Provide a collaborative experience
- Remote sessions can be hosted
- Ability to tour guide any user around our design models, irrespective of their location



# Multi-User





# **How We Use Virtual Reality**

- Deliver H&S training
- Develop specific VR experiences to train factory / site operatives on repeatable tasks





# **Staff Training**





# **Augmented Reality – The Next Development**

- Allows projection of CAD data onto the world around us (mixed)
- Allows you to superimpose the building on a site
- An excellent planning tool
- New level of client engagement
- Could allow delivery of 3D data to manufacturing – huge potential for offsite







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**TABLET OR MOBILE DEVICE** 



# **Ireland's Housing Crisis**

### **Homelessness**

- 9,874 homeless people in Ireland in in June 2018
- In increase of 2,858 since December 2014
- 110 rough sleepers counted in Dublin in Spring 2018
- 2,637 people living in hotels in June 2018 costing DCC €46.9m
- Rents have increased by more than 90% in Central Dublin since 2010
- 480,000 new homes are needed in Ireland by 2031
- An average of 34,000 new units required annually with more than 50% of these needed in Dublin
- Fewer than 10,000 new units were delivered nationwide in 2017

Source: Irish Times & Initiative Ireland





# **McAvoy Offsite Housing - Status**

- 1. Baseline Designs completed
- 2. 'Prototype' build completed
- 3. BOPAS accredited as of June 2018
- 4. Joymount scheme 40 no. houses and apartments









# Fully Integrated Design Team from RIBA Stage 0

Architects

Structural Engineers

M&E Consultants Acoustic Engineers

Fire Consultants

Landscape Architects

Daylight Assessment BREEAM Assessment

Site Surveys

Planning Consultants

Transport Consultants

ICT Consultants



# **Baseline Design**

- Detached / Semi or terrace
- 95 m2 floor area
- 3 Bedroom, 5 person
- 6 Modular units / assemblies



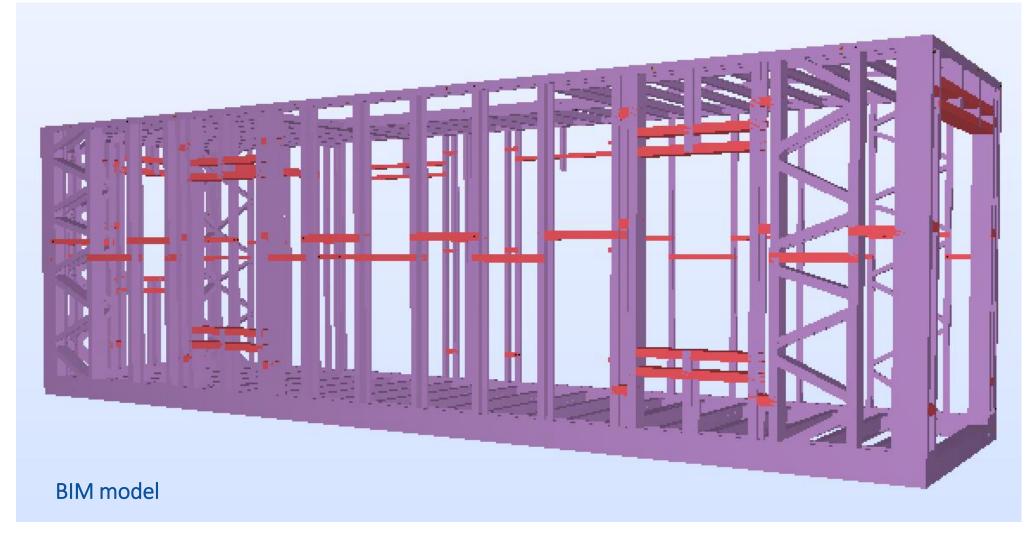






# **LGSF Structure**

(Line Loaded)





# Pre-fabricated panels

# LGSF modules



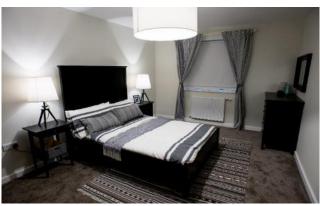




# **House Prototype**



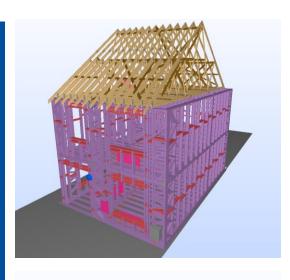




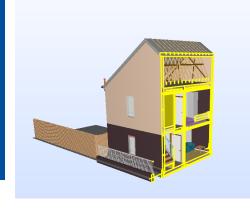


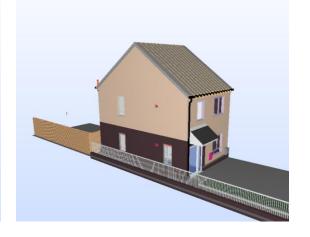
# **Design Stage**

Use of BIM processes and models allowed us to engage with our client and make changes to layout quickly and simply











# **Prototype Stage**

Physical prototype enabled further changes to layout before committing to production on scale





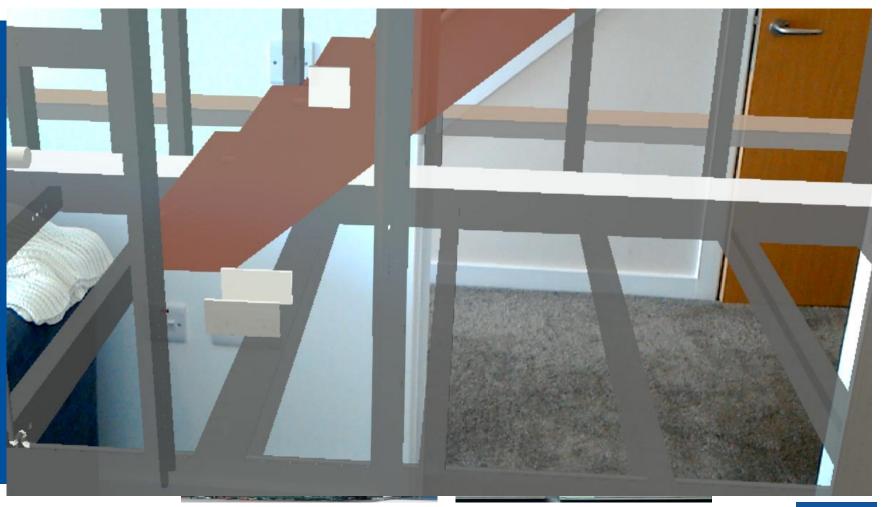






# **Post Installation Stage**

Layered VR models allow maintenance inspection to be easily performed





# The Joymount Scheme – our first residential project

Early Engagement

**Partnering** 

Collaboration







# Joymount – The First Offsite Housing Scheme in Northern Ireland









# **The Joymount Scheme**

Location : Carrickfergus

Duration on site : 40 weeks

Scope : 12 Houses, 3 Bungalows, 25 apartments







Houses

Bungalows

Apartments





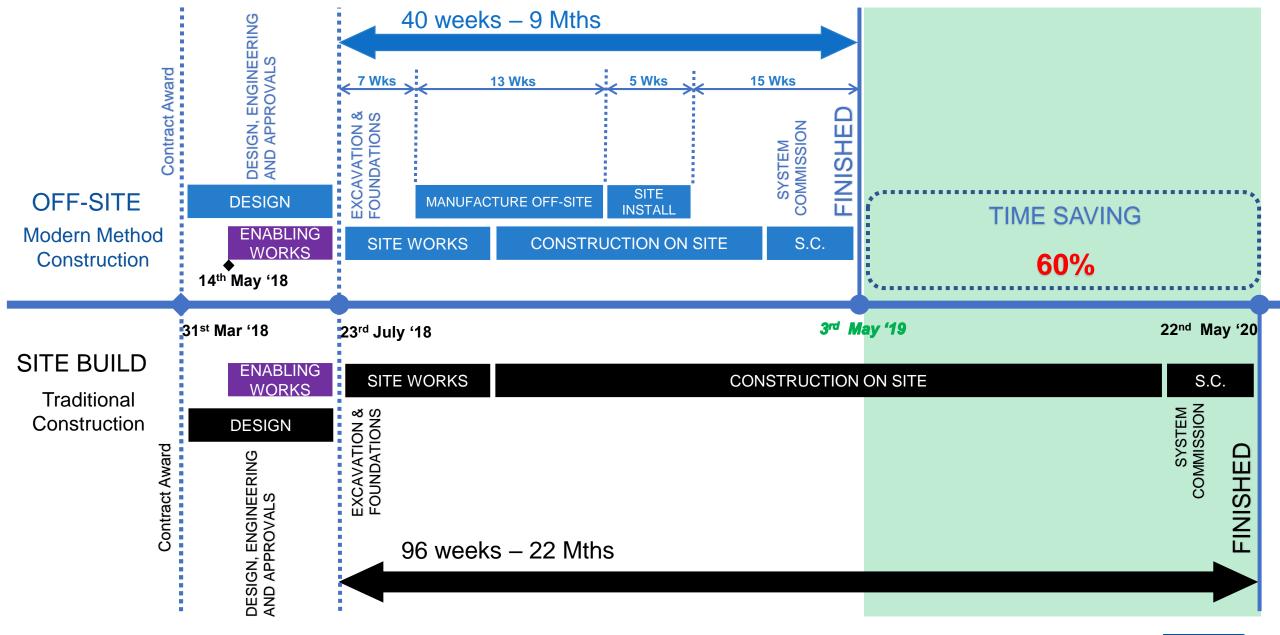
# The Joymount Scheme - Scope

A development designed for traditional construction.....

Achieving a minimum of 88% Offsite Construction

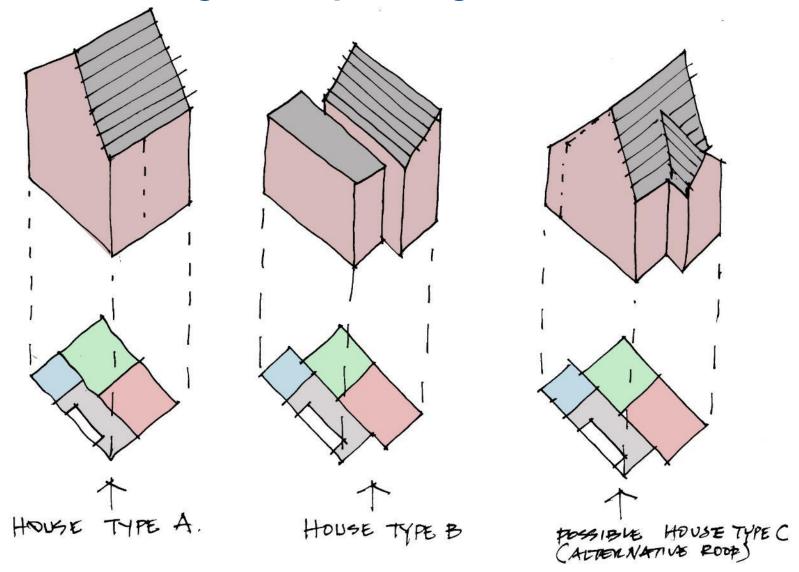






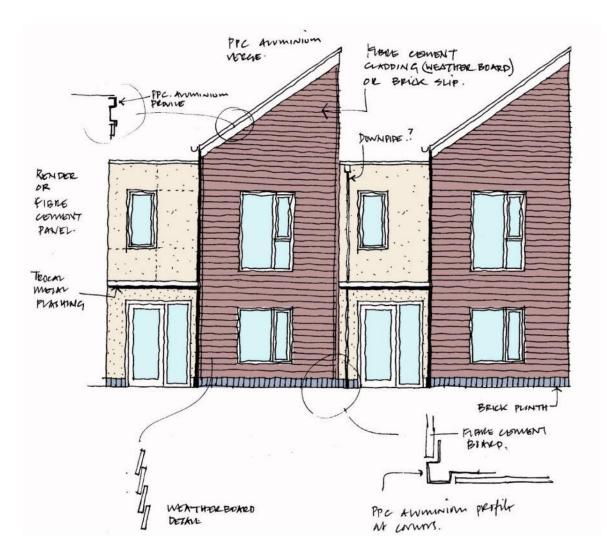


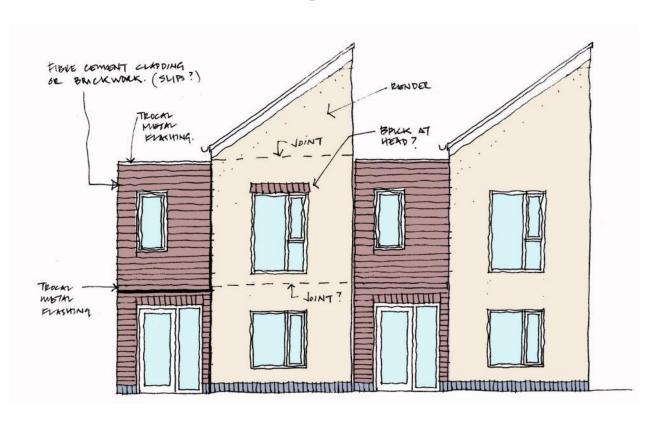
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# Offsite Housing Concept Design – Alternative Cladding







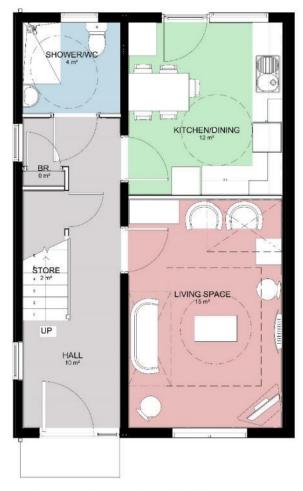
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# Three bed & two bed ground floor plans



Standard Ground Floor (5P 3B)

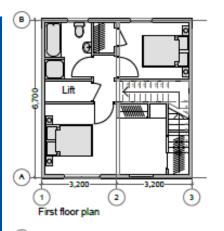


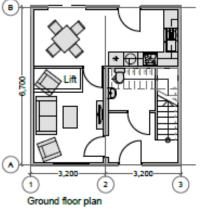
Ground Floor (3P 2B Option)



# **Alternative 2 Bed 4 Person House type**

- Line Loaded System
- Maximises factory work
- 3.2m wide modules to maximise transport efficiency
- NDSS and LHDG layout
- Lifetime Homes
- PFC beams to create open-plan area
- Factory fitted cladding





Lifetime House 2 Bed / 4 module (Detached, Semi or Terrace)









# Mid Rise Apartments

- Line Loaded System
- Maximises factory work
- 3.8m wide modules to maximise transport efficiency
- Modular core
- NDSS and LHDG layout
- Flexible balconies
- Service risers in corridor
- PFC beams to create open-plan area







# **Apartment floorplans**

- Line Loaded System
- Maximises factory work
- 3.8m wide modules to maximise transport efficiency
- Modular core
- NDSS and LHDG layout
- Flexible balconies
- Service risers in corridor
- PFC beams to create open-plan area







### **Benefits of an Off-Site Solution:**

- ✓ Increased collaboration
- ✓ Standardisation
- ✓ Less dependent upon on-site skills
- ✓ Improved quality
- ✓ Health & safety benefits
- ✓ Improved logistics, less deliveries
- √ Improved cost certainty
- ✓ Certainty of delivery
- ✓ Reduced program (Faster)
- ✓ Quicker return on investment



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