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Winner: Spruce Apartments (Nordic Lofts), N16
 An innovative new build timber housing scheme which uses materials creatively to provide six flats

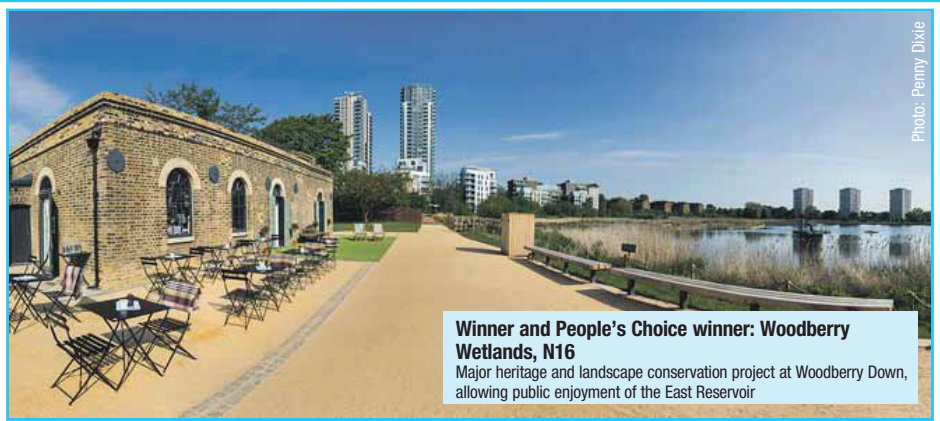
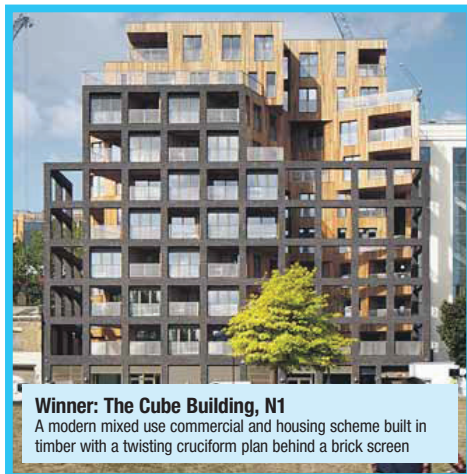


Photo: Penny Dixie

Winner and People's Choice winner: Woodberry Wetlands, N16
 Major heritage and landscape conservation project at Woodberry Down, allowing public enjoyment of the East Reservoir



Winner: The Cube Building, N1
 A modern mixed use commercial and housing scheme built in timber with a twisting cruciform plan behind a brick screen



Winner: Shepherdess Walk, N1
 New build residential scheme of houses and apartments with internal split levels



Winner: 32A Lansdowne Drive, E8
 The first certified Passivhaus house (energy efficient building) in Hackney on a small urban infill site near London Fields

Daring designs

THE seven overall winners of this year's prestigious Hackney Design Awards have been announced after much deliberation by a panel of experts.

Since its launch in 2004, the biannual Council-run awards have celebrated great design and architecture

in the borough.

Fifty different projects were originally nominated, before a shortlist of 16 was drawn up by judges who are leaders in the fields of architecture, development, urban design, conservation and landscape design.

The panel members visited each of the shortlisted schemes over two days in September

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before selecting the winning designs.

The public were also asked to vote for the People's Choice award

from the shortlist.

After receiving 1,300 votes – breaking the record of previous years – the winner was announced as Woodberry Wetlands. This project opened up East Reservoir as a nature reserve after it had been closed to the public for 180 years.

Fred Manson, chair of the judging panel, said: “There was a consistent high quality in design, usually avoiding the too showy, which is what is most needed to establish good quality places. Winning means a lot to the



Winner: Copper Lane, N16
 London's first co-housing scheme for six homes with shared community facilities and communal landscaping

designers, and users and owners are very proud of the recognition.”

Cllr Guy Nicholson, Cabinet Member for Planning, Business and Investment, added: “The schemes nominated for the awards this year celebrate the high quality and variety of new development in the borough.

“From repurposing heritage buildings and spaces to new buildings,

the 2016 shortlist capture all these.

“Thanks to all those who nominated developments and, of course, congratulations go to all on the shortlist and especially to the 2016 Design Award winners.”

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Winner: Frampton Park Baptist Church, E9
 Mixed use regeneration scheme to provide a new church for the community and apartments