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Kintbury chosen as site for retirement-home scheme

SPECIALIST retirement developer Audley has announced that it is bringing a new lease of life into the town of Kintbury.

Staines-based Audley has submitted a detailed planning application for the renovation of one of the town's most beloved buildings, which was previously a prestigious Champneys spa and health hydro.

Audley will be restoring Inglewood to its former glory and will retain much of the building's original features and characteristics.

The scheme will include 97 properties, including eight apartments in the original house and one and two-bedroom apartments and three-bedroom cottages in the grounds, all designed for people aged 55 and over.

"Inglewood is set to be one of our most

eagerly anticipated developments to date," said David Wild, sales and marketing director for Audley.

"The house is set in charming countryside, surrounded by undulating landscapes and open meadows. This is truly a perfect setting for anyone who is looking to retire."

The existing building will be transformed into a clubhouse at the heart of the community, housing a range of facilities including a swimming pool, sauna, bistro restaurant, bar lounge and library in the former clock tower.

Residents will also benefit from extensive landscaped grounds encompassing a tennis court, croquet lawn, cricket pitch and a walled garden with private allotments.

Care and support staff will be on hand 24 hours a day to provide security and a

helping hand to those who need it.

The site boasts 39 acres of land and a gross development value in excess of £16.5 million. Subject to planning, the work is expected to commence in September and, if planning permission is granted, the site is due to open in Spring 2007.

Mr Wild added: "We are delighted to announce this latest scheme to our portfolio, which now stands at an impressive six projects. Audley's commitment to providing diversity and stylish living for the over-55s market is proving popular among house-hunters who are looking for a home with a difference. I believe that Inglewood, with its stunning vistas, breathtaking scenery and accommodation, will prove to be no different."

The development will offer the best of both worlds, whether you're looking for an active retirement, or something a little quieter. With a range of facilities planned for the development, there is something to suit everyone.

With more than 25 years experience in the building and management of retirement properties, Audley Court prides itself on meeting the very particular needs of its owners, from the choice of location and the quality of construction, to the environment it creates and the levels of personal service and support it provides.

Audley Court currently has three active developments – Hollins Hall in Harrogate, Flete House in Devon and Willicombe House in Tunbridge Wells.

As well as Inglewood, the company has also recently acquired sites in Ilkley Yorkshire, Berkshire, Langleybury in Kings Langley, St Mary's School, Wantage, and St Elphin's School in Matlock.

For further information on current or forthcoming developments, telephone Audley Court on (01784) 457 615.



The impressive Inglewood building, which Audley Court will be restoring