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### **Free Open Days at Low-Carbon Demonstration Building for Design Professionals**

In mid-November, construction professionals and property developers are invited to attend site visits to the Clearwater Quays Apartments, a model building for low-carbon construction in Christchurch. Earlier this year, open days to this mass timber project proved very popular. The free event has been set up specifically for architects, engineers, quantity surveyors and construction and project management professionals.

Four sessions of two hours each are planned for this open day series on 10 & 11<sup>th</sup> November. Visitors will be guided through leading wood design features on the site. Following the site visit, project team members will highlight specific aspects of the new methods used in the building. The Clearwater Quays Apartments displays the biophilic, seismic and low-carbon benefits of using engineered wood in construction. The 5-storey all-wood building is nearing completion adjacent to the Clearwater Golf Club.

The open day sessions will be led by a group of design and engineering innovators. Construction professionals are invited to touch, look, and listen to see how wood in mid-rise buildings brings a wide range of constructability benefits as well as long-term improvements for the occupants. Site visit speakers include Phillip Howard of Pacific Environments, Barry Lynch from Logic Group, Marty Verry from Red Stag Investments and Phil Tomkins from Construction Solutions Central.

The open days are hosted by jointly by the Ministry for Primary Industries and Red Stag Wood Solutions. Funding for the programme is part of the 'Mid-Rise Wood Construction' partnership between Red Stag and MPI. The scheme complements the government's initiatives to deliver a zero-carbon construction sector by designing to increase low carbon materials used in construction.

Click [here](#) to book your place for the Clearwater Open Days on 10 & 11<sup>th</sup> November. Visitors will be expected to adhere to social distancing rules for events under the prevailing Covid-19 rules at the time.

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