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Designer Chairs at Jubilee Wharf!

RobotMother, who owns and runs Jubilee Wharf, has given recent graduate Ambrose Vevers his first commission to make 15 of his concrete chairs to be placed around the wharf.

Andrew Marston of RobotMother says "When we saw Ambrose's chairs we knew straight away that they were the outside seating we had been looking for. They are made from 80% secondary recycled aggregates and are heavy and sturdy, but with a pallet truck we can move them around the site and keep them alive.

Come down to try them out!"

Jubilee Wharf is home to many businesses from the creative industries, so it is very appropriate for these chairs to be here. Ambrose Vevers, who studied 3D design at UCF, is very proud that his first commission is at such a well-known and well-respected place.

The chairs are made by Ladds Concrete based in Pool, Redruth, from Ambrose's design, using a decorative concrete made from secondary recycled Cornish aggregates and recycled water.

"We were approached by Ambrose in the first instance to provide sponsorship for his university degree project. It has been very satisfying to see Ambrose take his design from concept to a viable business. We are looking forward to working with Ambrose in the future and assisting him in the growth of his business." Dan Burrows, Contracts Sales Manager, Ladds Concrete.

"It's pleasing to see my university design project become reality. The journey developing these chairs has been truly enlightening. The effortlessness of moving these solid heavy chairs is the biggest success of

Photo – Sophie Turner, www.boxhand.co.uk



L-R Dan Burrows (Ladds), Ambrose Vevers (Designer) and Andrew Marston (Director, RobotMother Ltd)

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Lily, who lives at Jubilee Wharf, demonstrates one of the ways to enjoy the chairs!

the design. I have tried to strike a balance between form and function so the chairs are playful both in form, colour and movement. It's been a pleasure working with Ladds Concrete Products and Jubilee Wharf" *Ambrose Vevers*, www.ambrosevevers.com

Note to editors

Jubilee Wharf is an award winning development owned and managed by RobotMother Ltd, with a mixture of housing, workshops, offices and a children's nursery. Community creation and revitalisation - Jubilee Wharf is a hub for craft makers, with quality childcare onsite from Jumblies Nursery, classes in health & fitness, singing, dancing and much more in the ZedShed, and Miss Peapod's café for socialising. Keeping it local - with good public transport links, Jubilee Wharf is nestled in the heart of Penryn making pedestrian access easy.

Built using pioneering techniques of eco-development, and designed by Bill Dunster of ZED Factory, Jubilee Wharf tries to foster community through the range of activities that take place here, within a building that aims to reduce its resource consumption without compromise to the quality of living environment. We think we have succeeded, but here are what others have been saying:

"In fact the brand new Jubilee Wharf might well be the greenest British building to date." *Jonathan Glancey, The Guardian*

"A model for other developments." *English Nature*

"Innovative...resulting from a contemporary approach clearly derived from the historical character of the area!" *English Heritage*

We have:

- **Super insulation** - 300mm insulation reduces energy consumption to less than half a conventional building. The starting point for eco-construction.
- **Onsite micro generation** - 4 x 6kW Proven wind turbines - energy generation is about doing what you can, where you happen to be.
- **Solar panels** - evacuated tubes for water heating, with provision for photovoltaic cells to be fitted later,
- **Bio-mass heating** – underfloor heating and hot water from a 75KW wood chip boiler
- **Natural ventilation** – wind cowls ventilate without the need for electric fans - heat exchangers recover up to 70% heat loss. A healthy building without draughts.
- **Reduced water consumption** - low flush toilets, aerated taps, grade A consumption appliances
- **Low VCO paints**, low formaldehyde floor coverings, natural fibres and surfaces, PVC only where unavoidable – a healthy environment
- Using **local & reclaimed materials** - old floorboards, granite, Cornish cedar cladding and larch soffits, even some unused windows from BedZed
- The **photovoltaic panels** put up in 2010 will produce a maximum of 500kw hours/year for each flat. That's a total of 3,400kw hours/year. This will make a total annual carbon saving of just under 2 tons.