



INDUSTRIAL & DISTRIBUTION

PROJECT

Tophat Industries Ltd

Dove Valley Park

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Developer

CWC Group

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BUILDING SIZE

118,000 sq ft



Tophat Industries Ltd is a new company formed to help meet the large housing deficit in the UK housing market. With Government pledging to build more homes than ever, the traditional housebuilding system can't cope and needed some radical thinking to meet the demand.

Tophat creates homes using a manufacturing approach more often seen in the automotive sector. This allows for extensive customisation, just like buying a new car. Homes are completely finished on the inside and outside on a moving production line at DVP, then shipped to site before being installed in just a few hours per home, enabling rapid buildout.

Tophat aim to produce zero defects to overcome the common complaints received by new home occupiers where traditional methods have been used. Tophat also intend providing a guarantee well in excess of the standard 10 year NHBC provided on most new homes.

Because the homes are produced on a production line in a building, quality control is better maintained and there are no problems with vagaries of the weather which frequently delay construction projects. It is the aim that one house can be produced every 6 hours on the production line which again, can run 24/7.

As the new homes are shipped out to site in modular structures, immediate access onto the A50 dual carriageway serving the M1 and M6 was deemed to be of great advantage to Tophat along with being based in the centre of the country to serve the UK market.