Terence O’Rourke is working with Taylor Wimpey and the Homes and Communities Agency on the residential redevelopment of the former Leybourne Grange Hospital site near West Malling in Kent.

The project has been designed as an exemplar new community, which will offer high quality new homes in an attractive, healthy and sustainable environment. When completed the project will deliver over 700 dwellings, a new village centre and large areas of open space across the 99-hectare site. These are set in the historic parkland of the grade II listed Manor House, which will be restored to form the centrepiece of the scheme.

Throughout the design process the practice has had to meet the rigorous and sometimes competing objectives of the Homes and Communities Agency, the local authority and client. The practice continues to work with these parties in order to deliver the remainder of the scheme.

Construction of the first phase of development started in 2008 with the final phase due for completion by 2023.

Client: Taylor Wimpey and Homes and Communities Agency (formerly English Partnerships)

• Town planning
• Urban design
• Landscape architecture
• Architecture
• Graphic design