

DEVELOPMENT OF CHURCHWARD VILLAGE SITE IN SWINDON

Thomas Homes has signed contracts to purchase the remaining undeveloped part of the Churchward Village regeneration project in Swindon.

At Churchward Village, **Thomas Homes** will be bringing new life to the former locomotive works of the Great Western Railway as part of an extensive regeneration project to include an urban residential development of apartments and houses, leisure facilities, restaurants, hotel accommodation and office suites, which will provide a vibrant community in the heart of Swindon.

The total Churchward Village 138-acre site incorporates several mixed use schemes in an important conservation area alongside the main London to Bristol rail line, and is within walking distance of the station and Swindon town centre. This includes regeneration of many historic listed buildings and the accommodation of original architecture from the Brunel period, and redevelopment completed to date adjacent to the **Thomas Homes** site is centered around the 20,000 sq ft undercover Great Western Designer Outlet Shopping Centre and also includes the home of the new National Trust UK Headquarters, The National Monuments Records Centre and a Great Western Railway museum

Chris Brotherton, Land Director for **Thomas Homes** said, "Churchward Village provides an exciting opportunity for **Thomas Homes** to make use of our extensive expertise in urban redevelopment and conversion of old buildings in an excellent location in central Swindon."

Work is expected to start in Spring 2008 and further details on **Thomas Homes** can be found at www.thomashomes.co.uk.