

## **A PLACE IN THE COUNTRY, AT A PRICE YOU CAN AFFORD**

If you're looking for a place in the country you'll know how difficult it is to find somewhere that (a) you can afford and (b) doesn't need full-scale renovation. So when a property developer announces a new scheme of houses in a rural location, it's bound to set off a stampede of prospective buyers. And when the rural location is a pretty village, conveniently situated within easy reach of road and rail networks, the stampede is likely to begin even before the first brick is laid.

An early rush to view is certainly on the cards at The Pightle, a Thomas Homes development in the popular Berkshire village of Peasemore. If you're intrigued by the name, 'Pightle' – sometimes spelt 'Pyghtle' and pronounced 'pie-tle' – is an Anglo-Saxon word meaning 'small parcel of land, small enclosure or croft'. It's still in use in East Anglia and now it's also on the map to the north of Newbury!

The Pightle is in a lovely spot in Peasemore, looking out across the open countryside of the Lambourn Downs. It's a view to lift your spirits, and one you'd never tire of. But don't be deceived by the seemingly remote location. In fact, the village is only a short drive from the M4 and A34, and fifteen minutes from Newbury and the town's mainline station.

Part of The Pightle is already built and occupied so you can get a good feel for how the development will look when the second stage of construction is complete. Phase 2 comprises a 4-bedroom detached house (already reserved) and four 3-bedroom semi-detached cottages. From the outside, the cottages have lovely architectural features such as dormer windows decorative brick coursing and clay tiles. As for the interiors, they will impress even the most demanding buyer.

The four semi-detached properties have large kitchens with plenty of room for a dining area. Upstairs there are two double bedrooms, one with an ensuite bathroom, and a third single bedroom which would also make an ideal home office. When it comes to internal specifications, The Pightle is a cut above your average new development. Individually designed kitchens are fitted with a range of high quality appliances, and the bathrooms are also of a superior standard to complete the stylish contemporary look.

The Pightle seems near-perfect – brand new houses, built and fitted to a high standard and in a prime village location. Surely you're going to have to pay over the odds for one of these properties? Well, it seems not. Known for pricing their properties reasonably, Thomas Homes has set the asking price for the cottages at just £265,000 each. This is remarkably good value and it's likely all four will be sold long before the building work is completed in December.

If you want to beat the rush to buy a place in Peasmore, it would be wise to contact Newbury agents Dreweatt Neate now on 01635 263000. You can also get details of room sizes and floor plans by visiting [www.thomashomes.co.uk](http://www.thomashomes.co.uk) and downloading the brochure for The Pightle.