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Dear Sir,

### **VERY SHELTERED HOUSING SCHEME, STUTTON**

Mr Fisk's letter (Evening Star 15 October) criticised and mocked the design of the sheltered housing scheme being built at Stutton to accommodate and care for the frail elderly living on the Shotley peninsula. Mr Fisk has opposed and attacked this project throughout the entire two years it has taken to come to fruition, so perhaps it is not surprising that he now finds fault with its appearance.

Many years ago I was given some invaluable advice which experience has shown to be correct, namely that is never possible to judge a building while it is still under construction. It is far better to withhold one's personal views until it is finally complete. An incomplete shell, surrounded with scaffolding, is no basis on which to make a judgement.

I am sure that the Stutton sheltered housing scheme will be an attractive and pleasant place for residents, their families and their carers, and the people of Stutton.

Yours faithfully,

R J Watson  
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