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## ACTIVITY 3C

# Finding and Rating Local Building/House Types

This activity will identify local building materials and design details that you like and that represent the area.

### What do I need to know?

You are likely to find these examples from homes built between 1700 and 1900 as earlier details are often too varied and difficult to authentically replicate, whilst later examples are often less specific to regional traditions. That said, it is up to your group to collect examples of materials and details that are the most beautiful and replicable and relate to the building/house types chosen in section 3b.

It is important when choosing and photographing details to ask the question, 'is this something that a housebuilder could reasonably afford to do and find it easy enough to get right?' Details that are too specific or over-complicated can often be costly and very hard to reproduce, especially on a large scale. We advise you look for 'simple and elegant' details when carrying out this task.

### Activity 3c Instructions

- 1.** As with 3b, you'll need people to come along to the workshop with pictures already taken. We therefore suggest you hold an earlier meeting or send round by email the requirements.
- 2.** Ask people to take photos of building elements and materials that are simple, beautiful and replicable by housebuilders. Make sure you have examples of: door cases/porches, windows, eaves details, dormers; chimneys, vvboundary walls
- 3.** If people have done this digitally, you could ask them to email the images over ahead of the meeting. This would allow you to prepare a presentation of the images in advance of the workshop.
- 4.** Whether digital or hard copy photos, you will need to collect them and sort them so all building elements are grouped together according to type, (e.g. chimneys, windows, etc.)



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