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Woods Bagot Reaches New heights with Two Tall Towers for the UK

Global architects, Woods Bagot, lead the way in UK tall building design, as construction begins on two majestic mixed use schemes in both Manchester and Liverpool.

The 60-storey, 200-metre complex at **Piccadilly Central, Manchester** will be the UK (Europe's) tallest residential tower to have received detailed planning consent with construction scheduled to begin in spring of this year.

As the centrepiece of a five-acre urban regeneration project, the Piccadilly Central development will serve as an iconic structure for the redevelopment of this key part of Britain's fastest growing city.

The building will include 710 apartments, a 220-room five-star international hotel and 80,000 square feet of retail space, restaurants and bars. Plazas and public spaces, historic canal frontage, a nine-metre grand stair and a bridge link to Manchester's Piccadilly Station - one of the UK's busiest transport hubs, will surround the scheme.



Designed by Woods Bagot for developers Ballymore/Merepark, the £200m tall building complex has been endorsed by English Heritage and CABE.

Central Village, Liverpool

The second striking tall tower design from the Woods Bagot stable is located in the centre of the 2008 European city of culture, Liverpool. The Central Village scheme will transform derelict land adjacent to Central Station into a landmark destination consisting of shopping, attractive residential accommodation and leisure facilities.



Two adjacent towers, 20 and 25 storeys high, which will incorporate a four star hotel, 440 flats as well as leisure and retail facilities.

These benchmark designs are the latest projects to join the architect's portfolio of striking tall buildings around the world.

Stephan C Reinke, Woods Bagot's Managing Director for Europe, comments: "The issue with tall buildings is to be uncompromising in the pursuit of quality. We believe these major interventions should make a lasting and relevant contribution to the cityscape.

"Tall buildings are as much about the public spaces they create and the dynamics of the urban environment as the skyline contribution. If well sited and developed with exceptional design rigour, tall buildings capture the aspirations and regeneration of our progressive cities."

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About Woods Bagot

International design practice Woods Bagot provides its clients with innovative design solutions that are both functional and inspiring. This is demonstrated by the successful delivery of a range of high profile projects within the commercial workplace, hospitality, mixed-use, education and science sectors.

Established in 2001, Woods Bagot's London studio now has a dynamic team of over 100. Since its inception, its young, integrated team has developed a diverse portfolio of significant projects including:

Piccadilly Tower, Manchester
Liverpool Central Village



Minthis Hills Resort, Cyprus
ANZ London
Rolls building, London
Walkers Cayman Islands