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Low-Cost Housing is Possible Only if we Prioritise Value for Money

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If you can overcome an ingrained dislike of dandelions, a wildflower meadow is a thing of beauty.

I am getting ahead of myself here and thinking of summer, and specifically the final day of Chelsea, when you could see the lawns in a different way. Many Chelsea exhibits dotted around the showground were designed by landscape architects, and there was one by Carol Casselden which described her meadow project as "reinterpreting wildflower meadows of the past". The meadow was planted with a "wild meadow" of grasses and wildflowers, and the idea was to create an "expansive" landscape with "a definite sense of place". The project was part of the "Design by Nature" collection, which was described as "an expression of the natural world" and "an invitation to see the world in a new way".

The meadow was designed to reflect the natural world, and it was a valuable lesson for students of landscape architecture. Casselden's project was part of a larger trend in landscape design, which has been called "biophilic design". This approach to design is based on the idea that people are naturally drawn to nature, and it has been shown to have a positive impact on mental health and well-being. The meadow project was a great example of how design can be used to connect people with nature.

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Costs are spiralling at the Ballymun project in Dublin, while Wexford's passive houses set a good example

Low-cost housing is possible only if we prioritise value for money. The reason is that the cost of building a house is not just about the materials that go into it. It is also about the way the house is built, and the way it is designed. High-quality design can help to reduce costs, and it can also make a house more energy-efficient. In the case of the Ballymun project, the design is being questioned because it is not being built in a way that is cost-effective.

The government is also questioning the value of the project, and it is looking at ways to reduce costs. One of the things that is being considered is the use of modular housing. This is a type of housing that is built off-site, and it can be delivered to a site quickly and easily. It is also possible to build modular housing in a way that is cost-effective, and it can be designed to be energy-efficient. In the case of the Ballymun project, the government is looking at ways to use modular housing to reduce costs.

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