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This week's featured article: [Interview with Labour's Shadow Housing and Planning Minister](#)



Roberta Blackman-Woods MP says that Labour is 'fully supportive' of home-ownership aspirations, expresses hope that the Lords will tackle the 'very bad' Housing and Planning Bill, and vows to 'lobby strongly' for the reinstatement of the Zero Carbon Homes initiative.

Public space intervention event

Author and 'place-hacker' Bradley L. Garrett writes about the threat to city public spaces from corporatisation and redevelopment, with details about the first intervention event this weekend.



A new capital for the UK

Relocating the capital out of London would regenerate the regions, save money, and perhaps even rescue the UK itself, writes architect James Dunnett.



Unusual building design of the week - Nakagin Capsule Tower

Tokyo's Nakagin Capsule Tower is the first in a new weekly feature highlighting unusual building designs from around the world.



BBVA Bancomer headquarters

The President of Mexico opens new RSH+P tower in Mexico City.



Smart cities

Can 'smartness' be measured, and what is the optimum size for a smart city?



Building of the week - Petronas Twin Towers



Read about the landmark Petronas Towers in Kuala Lumpur, the tallest twin towers in the world.

Around the web

Time Out, 11 February

Newsnight video presents an animated vision of what London's skyline could look like in the near future with 250 new high rises.

BSRIA, 11 February

Managing smart technology in buildings.

NBS, 11 February

Take part in the NBS National BIM survey 2016.

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New survey finds that a surge of buy-to-let investors is pushing up house prices.

ArchDaily, 10 February

Winners announced for the 2016 Building of the Year Awards.

BuroHappold, 5 February

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