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A bit of light reading for the weekend.

We have a fascinating new article about Smart Cities from Buro Happold

"50% of the population lives in cities, but they account for 75% of the consumption and 75% of the pollution. Smart Cities should be about more than just harnessing technology, Smart Cities should balance opportunities through smart planning, design, construction and technology."

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Followed by an article about masterplanning and how it's changed

"The make-up of our societies is changing, and with this there is an ongoing shift in the cultural expectations and requirements of the urban realm. We have moved away from a stabilised vernacular culture in terms of technology, ethnicity, aspiration, economy and density."

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And finally, a great blog post from Rob Pollard, winner of our competition

"...there are very few dedicated resources where students can research architectural history and theory...now when people search for information about the architectural profession they find my essay."

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