

Have you seen The Light yet?

New homes

Award-winning local developers **Hills Homes** have been working closely with the Malmesbury office of Wiltshire estate agents Strakers in the marketing of their site in the town.

The Light, in Bristol Street, is a development of just 10 houses that have been built in a traditional style reflecting the town's historic beauty; stone built, they capture the essence of period style designed with modern living and the environment in mind. And the market has obviously taken to The Light as three homes have been sold prior to the site being launched on September 22.

Graham Winterbourne, director at Strakers' Malmesbury office, said: "This is a stunning collection of houses with great views; Malmesbury is well known for its period cot-

ages and houses and these fit in so well. And being as close as they are to the High Street having private parking and garaging is a real bonus."

There are five three-bedroom town houses remaining and two very appealing two-bedroom coach houses; the specification is high including the latest collections from 'Porcelanosa', 'Villeroy and Boch' and 'Hans Grohe' complemented by individually designed heating and lighting systems.

Contact See the show home at The Light on Saturday, September 22. Prices start at £165,000 for the coach houses and £275,000 for the town houses. Details available from the agents on 01666 829292 or malmesbury@strakers.co.uk

New homes drop

Britain's homes shortage is set to get worse, says the House Builders' Federation. Just 24,872 new homes were approved to be built across England during the second quarter of this year compared to 36,761 new homes during the three months before that, and 300 fewer than the same period a year ago.

Don't buy that

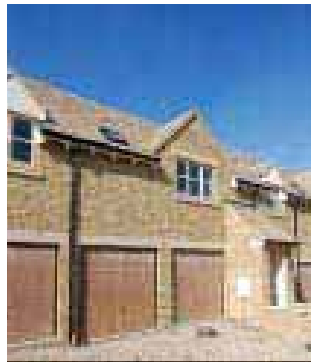
A survey has revealed the biggest turn offs for property buyers, which include local noise pollution, dirty bathrooms and kitchens, odd looking plants in the garden, sellers who show you around, clutter, coloured bathroom suites, bad smells, awkward layouts and a recent death in the property.

100% mortgages

Promise Solutions is claiming to have

reintroduced 100% loan-to-value mortgages, albeit by the back door. Borrowers are being offered unsecured loans of up to £50,000 over 15 years at 14.9% for a deposit which, if they then take a mortgage out for the remaining cost of the property, means they'll owe 100% of the property's value.

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