The brief was developed for an undergraduate design unit at Oxford Brookes University. The students harvest mapped (inspired by Architecten 2012) the local area to find waste materials that could be suitable for designing a pavilion. We then visited the Gatehouse and Simon House in Oxford and had conversations with some of the homeless people from these two organisations. Simon House has a skills training programme for their clients, one of which was interior decorating. In groups, the students then designed a pavilion to raise awareness about the issues which they had discovered over the previous few weeks.

The groups all presented their projects and then voted on the pavilion that they felt would capture the message most appropriately, which was the one they then spent a week and a half building. The pavilion was placed in the Space to Think at Oxford Brookes University and the press were invited to the opening event along with the whole university. The pavilion stayed open for three weeks.

Each year, the ASF inspired undergraduate design unit D (which is the undergraduate design studio for the Development and Emergency Practice Masters at Oxford Brookes University), explores different aspects of vulnerability, both in the UK and internationally. The temporary pavilion was a physical manifestation of the brief for the first semester of the 2008/09 academic year.