

Solarspot D-25 & D-38 systems for bungalow extensions

Bringing back the daylight

With more of us opting to downsizing after retirement, demand for good bungalows often is outstripping the local supply. So in order to find the perfect new home it may be necessary to extend the building to make it more suitable for modern living.

When Marina and Fred downsized to a detached bungalow in a village close by to their family the first thing they decided to do was reorganise and extend the building to suit their new life style, and prepare the building for the future. The priority was to add some extra floor space to increase the living area so they built an extension across the rear of the building.

“We knew that this would mean that we would lose some of the light to the back of the living room, but we thought the addition of three large Velux windows would do what we needed but the back of the room was still very dark” said Fred. “In addition, when we moved the wall back, we had to brick-up the bathroom window so that also needed looking at.”

Fred did investigate the options for daylighting these spaces but he ruled out additional Velux roof windows as the installation would have required considerable structural work and a huge amount of disruption. Instead Fred turned to Solarspot for a solution.

For the living room a Solarspot D-38 was chosen as it lights areas up to 22 square metres, and for the bathroom the smaller D-25 proved more than sufficient to illuminate the space.

“The work was done in less than a day” commented Fred, “with no mess and at a fraction of the price of the Velux option. We’re delighted.”

Top: Solarspot D-38 is fitted through the attic void and drops into the rear of the living room to provide some much needed daylight

Below: The internal bathroom of this bungalow is transformed with a Solarspot D-25 daylight system.

