



SEEING THE LIGHT

The importance of space and natural light in atriums, hallways and stairwells

H allways and stairs can so often take a back seat when it comes to introducing natural light or space into the home, reserved more readily for social or entertainment areas, such as living rooms and kitchens.

However, it's that elusive and superior class of home which is able to perfectly capture the use of space and light in these transition areas too, taking it into an echelon above the rest. Light and space can be used in hallways and stairs to great effect – creating airy and welcoming atmospheres, which can start a journey of anticipation and discovery into the remainder of the home.

When such thought is given to the welcome one will receive as they enter a home, it's understandable that these elements of space and light often bear the hallmarks of a truly exceptional developer or architect. One such developer who has taken these ideals truly to the core is Buckinghamshire-based Hitchambury Homes, who has used creative and inspired techniques within the architecture and design of their stairwells and hallways, to absolutely maximise natural light and space.

With a particular penchant for building stunning homes in the best locations of the Home Counties, this renowned developer is acknowledged as one of the best in its field for creating homes which are synonymous with having spacious and light interiors.

Having just finished two wonderful homes, 'Woodcote and Cedars' in Dorney wood Road, Burnham Beeches, Buckinghamshire the abundance of natural light in each

home has been maximised by a number of imaginative design specifications. This included a 45ft high atrium topped hallway with a large feature window, allowing light to flood down to the three floors below, creating what one could describe as a spectacular 'domestic cathedral' within this central area of the home.

Similarly, on the first and second floor galleries, one is treated to an infinity view throughout the home, created through two levels of vast glass-sided stairways, for a breath-taking and iconic statement in modern architecture.

Central to this desire to create light and welcoming spaces is Hitchambury's belief that the use of natural light within the home contributes considerably to the wellbeing of life, which brings an uplifting joy and desire to spend time in the home. It's for this reason, to improve the quality of life for its purchasers, that Hitchambury offers a bespoke design and build service, where these elements of space and light can be fully integrated into the design, even from the initial planning stages of working with a client.

When looking at these paragons of architecture Hitchambury have created, they have effortlessly incorporated the ideals of space and light into the centre core of their homes, often forgotten spaces by many developers. It's clear to see that Hitchambury is pushing the envelope and boundaries of aspirational modern home design to entirely new levels and one which sets a benchmark for all others.

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