

Reference: **LLOYD-THOMAS ARCHITECTS:**

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We have worked closely with Lloyd-Thomas Architects over the last 18 months on an exciting and ambitious project to convert two barns and link them to our existing home with a two storey oak and glass construction.

In our first meeting with Roland he clearly demonstrated his vision and understanding of our project by suggesting a number of improvements to our initial ideas, many of which we adopted. Roland spent time with us walking through the plans and 3D sketches, discussing options and developing the plans to meet our evolving requirements.

Lloyd-Thomas architects successfully navigated our ambitious planning application through the district council at the first attempt. To ensure success of our application they proactively explained it to the planners and pre-empted many of their questions.

After the design phase we contracted with Lloyd Thomas Architects for the tender, building regulations and contract management of the project. We benefited throughout the tender process from their experience and relationships with local suppliers which ensured we selected the most competitive contractor who was capable of undertaking a project of this scale. We faced a particular challenge in identifying an oak frame supplier and glazier who had the experience and ability to construct a two storey link. Roland identified potential suppliers and discussed in detail our plans with them to ensure the construction was true to our vision.

During the construction phase we had numerous meetings with Roland and the main contractor to discuss issues and variations. Roland helped to ensure the building work met our aspirations when assessing solutions to technical challenges and suggesting alternative approaches. Roland contributed to commercial discussions and helped us to remain close to our budget. He has been highly responsive to any questions or requests for help throughout our project

The close working relationship Roland had with us and our main contractor ensured our project was a success and we are delighted with our new accommodation. We would have no hesitation in recommending Lloyd Thomas Architects.

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