

THE DELL



Elliott Architects embraced the brief by their client to design and build a unique and minimalistic family home within the sensitive setting near an established woodland. The doors and windows location, style and materials needed meticulous planning. The beauty is in the details, from the slate shingle walls and roof on the ground floor, timber and slate on the floor above and a floating balcony to create a playful treehouse design. We were delighted when we were approached by the architects to provide a solution for introducing an abundance of natural light into the home.

The chosen rooflights were selected specifically to help frame the mature trees and natural views to make most of the beautiful surroundings. Using natural materials with modern detailing, the Neo® Rooflights complemented the design with its clean lines and flush installation, and as the Neo can be used in both modern and traditional settings, it was the ideal solution.

Neo rooflights work with the buildings scheme, flooding the downstairs areas with double height light allowing the client to benefit from natural light and views on three sides of the building.

The low profile, fine lines and edge-to-edge glazing of the Neo enhanced the oblique plane along the roofline, and as a result a total of 10 Neo rooflights were installed with blinds and winders.

The outside colour of the rooflight frame was kept dark to help it blend into the surroundings and roof structure, whereas inside, the frameless lining to glass® interior allowed unobstructed natural light to fully flood the open plan living and kitchen areas.

Situated in Northumberland woodland, The Dell is a beautiful and welcoming family home, set on a previously undeveloped slope. The selected rooflights needed to conform to the technical and aesthetic requirements set by the architects as well as satisfy the Planning Authority.

The characteristic low profile features of the Neo Rooflights was important to the architect to create a coherent and seamless roof sightline. Having selected the Neo in one of their previous award-winning projects, Ben Elliott of Elliott Architects was confident in the design and quality of finish. By selecting Neo Rooflights, Ben was able to present the client with a design that internally, creates a lightwell, maximising the amount of glass to the opening with the aid of hidden frames and architraves.

Tailor made and handcrafted specifically for this project, the roof window colour and the materials used within the frame and glass were designed with meticulous attention to detail, all whilst maintaining a contemporary style rooflight that can be stretched to accommodate the design and maximise natural daylight.

Offering uninterrupted views of the outside woodland, the low profile rooflights fit effortlessly into the pitch of the roof and combine the architect and clients' vision with a sleek design.

Ben selected a combination of both neo-12 and neo-14 size options to maximise the amount of natural light that could be available in the below rooms. Utilising the double height of the rooms meant a seamless finish was needed creating a lightwell without the need for architraves or window frames.

The Neo Rooflight is the original low profile contemporary skylight, combining the highest modern performance standards with a frameless, minimalist appearance both inside and out. The high performing, yet effortlessly elegant Neo rooflights fit perfectly into the design and help keep the family home safe, secure and watertight.



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"We chose to specify Neo as there is a good balance between the technical and aesthetic requirements. The appearance externally is low in profile and can be readily designed into the roof detail to be flush with the finish, creating a coherent overall roof plane. The interior detail of the neo has also been very well considered and we really like the way that the reveals can be seamlessly finished to create a lightwell effect without any exposed frames or unsightly architraves."

Ben Elliott, Elliott Architects

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Awards:

The Dell was shortlisted for a RIBA Regional Award in 2018.

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