Parkham Wood House

Brixham, Devon







New Lease of Life for Grade II Listed House

We were granted Listed Building Consent and Planning Permission by Torbay Council to refurbish and extend a Grade II listed house in Brixham.

Located in a Conservation Zone, the house was designed by the innovative, Devon-based architect, Mervyn Seal in 1960. This three-bedroom house, built high across a cliff face, with extensive glazing and distinctive butterfly roofs, is one of a small collection of similar houses designed by Seal in the Torbay area. The house was listed as Grade II in 2009 in recognition of its outstanding exterior form and original interiors such as timber-clad ceilings, bespoke shelving and fishbone staircase.

The site context has been a key driver for our design proposal. We believe that the character and integrity of the existing listed building had to be preserved and respected, therefore our single-storey extension for one bedroom and a shower room incorporates a sloping roof which follows the same angle as the existing house. The horizontal timber cladding is also in keeping with the existing external materials.

The façade has been restored and the Crittall windows were repaired. The interior was fully refurbished and a new kitchen and bathroom installed.

Project Details

- Scope
- Refurbishment and extension of Grade II listed 3-bed house
- Architect, Principal Designer
- Client Private
- Value £370k
- DatesCompleted January 2022



Residential



- Refurbishment of Grade II Listed Building
- Located in a Conservation Area
- Single-Storey Extension of 1 bedroom and shower room
- Refurbishment of Crittall windows
- New heating system installed
- Restoration of existing Parana pine ceilings
- New louvres to storage and guest bedroom









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