

A Contemporary Makeover to a Bungalow

Homeowners: Mr and Mrs Payne

Location: Rotherham

Build time: Five months

Build cost: £108,000 (excluding kitchen and bathrooms)

This existing red brick bungalow was very typical of its era, with its wide front and rear façades, pitched roof and L-shaped floorplan. A conservatory had also been added over the years.

The proposal from Transform Architects (transformarchitects.com) was to remove the old conservatory and add a new single-storey rear extension and a new entrance canopy roof to the existing front door, complete with an external makeover using modern materials. The new design has also created an additional small guest bedroom and adds usable space to the rear of the ground floorplan. The result is a modest yet effective transformation of a bland bungalow. Through-coloured render was specified as some of the existing brickwork had deteriorated. Cedar cladding has also been used and helps to break up the front and rear elevations, adding texture to an otherwise white box.

A grey through-coloured rendered entrance porch acts as a further feature to the front elevation.

The cornerstone of the extension design was to maximise solar gain from the large expanses of glass incorporated into the southern elevation, with high-specification exterior doors and windows. The openings for the windows were changed as part of the external makeover, and the glazing throughout has been specified in grey powder-coated aluminium to both faces.

As the homeowners chose to continue living on site in the bungalow throughout the project, the decision was taken to complete the build without removing the existing roof structure – a decision which also saved on costs and helped keep the build cost down.

The project was completed on time and on budget, with the landscape design being undertaken in April 2017 to complete the second phase of the works.



Room with a View

Keen to maximise on solar gain and modernise the external façade, new larger aluminium windows were installed in this bungalow remodel – including a glazed gable which basks the interiors in natural light.

