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GRAND DESIGN MAKEOVER - NOW ON MARKET!



This Forest of Dean1950's dormer bungalow springs some pretty big surprises. Set in the hillside above the Wye Valley village of Redbrook, it's had a bit of a Grand Designs make-over and is all the better for it.

It looks like a 1950s bungalow from the front, but it's all Scandichic inside. The guiding design aesthetic here has been a thorough re-imagining of the original bungalow.

The addition of a timber-clad extension and stylish remodelling have transformed this bungalow into an iconic building, pushing the boundaries with what can be done to a non-descript property. It is now a spacious and desirable contemporary family home. There are echoes of Scandi-chic here, lots of wood and light and stylish interiors. It of course benefits hugely from its position looking over the Wye Valley.

This elevated, split-level property sits in terraced gardens and

grounds of approximately 1.24 acres, extending up the hillside above the property into a perimeter of natural woodland. A wooden-clad hot tub is the perfect place to bathe; there is no light pollution here.

The fabulous, architect-designed extension, recently added on the hillside at the back of the property, is accessed up a stairway from the main entrance hall. The light and airy open-plan kitchen/living/dining space has a sloping, pine-clad ceiling and large picture windows which take advantage of the views. At the front of the house there is a storage shed and parking space for two cars.

Absolutely beautiful, I'm sure you'll agree!



NEW STORE

Open after 20 year battle

Tesco has finally opened in the Forest of Dean at least two decades after it first announced it wanted to come to the town. The supermarket giant had a low key opening on September 15th at the new Cinderford store.

But even without the balloons and fanfare that usually surrounds store openings, shoppers from the Forest of Dean market town could not wait to get inside to see what it was like. And generally it seemed to get the thumbs up.

After months of supply and staffing issues leaving many supermarket shelves half empty, customers were delighted to see the new Tesco was fully stocked to the brim and the goods are well-displayed. Although it does not have the Lidl and Aldi's middle aisle of wonder, it sells goods ranging from cookware to baby-grows, as well as food.

Another plus, according to some of the first customers inside, was the wide aisles. Many said it made a better use of space than the former Co-op which previously traded on the site.

"I love it," said Margaret Payne who had come from Broadwell. "There's such a lot a space. I usually go to Tesco in Lydney. Maybe because it's new, but it seems much bigger and is really clean and nice."



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God Bless our Queen: Tribute through the Years

On September 8, 2022, sadly our Queen Elizabeth II passed away at the age of 96 - Britains longest serving monarch.

2022 will go down in history a momentous year for the British royal family. This year not only marked Queen Elizabeth's **70th year on the throne** - she became the first British monarch ever to achieve a **Platinum Jubilee** - but also will forever be remembered as the year the long-reigning monarch passed away.

Her reign wasn't the only thing that made her an icon, though. Over the years, she became known for her colourful wardrobe, her pet corgis, and her profound sense of duty, standing as a symbol of both British tradition and modern ideals.

All across the UK people mourn her death and also celebrate how fortunate we all were to have such an amazing Queen.

Our thoughts are with the Queen's family at this sad time.



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