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Buckinghamshire Sold

# Cuddington

An award-winning four-bedroom modern conversion of a 17th-century Grade II-listed cottage in the picturesque village of Cuddington, near Aylesbury, designed by architect Simon Shaw.

With accommodation over two floors, the cottage is made up of two parts, one old and one new. A section of the back wall of the original cottage has been removed and in its place stands an immaculate two-storey, cedar-clad extension creating an open-plan living space on the ground floor, with a connecting steel bridge on the first floor.

The original cottage houses the main sitting room, second reception room, study and cellar, with the master bedroom with en-suite bathroom and a further two double bedrooms upstairs. The modern extension includes a large kitchen/ dining room with polished concrete floor, utility room and WC on the ground floor, and a bedroom and family bathroom on the first floor. A roof terrace, accessed from the landing, looks out over the garden and the quiet churchyard next door. The cottage is semi-detached, allowing for gated side access for a car.

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Large triple-glazed sliding windows in the living space let in considerable light and provide access to the stepped landscaped garden. Triple-glazed double doors at one end of the dining area lead to a patio. There are large outhouses at the back of the garden, both of which have plumbing and electricity, and are currently used for storage.

This building is a complementary mix of old and new, and fits easily and discreetly into the picturesque village – the modern extension is almost invisible from the road. The concept was to turn the original building into a house capable of supporting modern family living whilst still maintaining and enhancing the characteristics of a Grade IIlisted cottage. The scheme came 'Highly Commended' in the AVDC Design Awards 2012.

Cuddington was presented with the Morris Cup award for Buckinghamshire's Best Kept Village in 2015. The pretty village offers a sought-after primary school, post office/ general store, popular village pub (The Crown), restaurant, hairdressers, two churches, village hall and recreational ground. The active village hall hosts a Film Club on Wednesday evenings. More comprehensive facilities can be found in the nearby town of Aylesbury (approximately 6.3 miles).

The M40 is nearby, with links to London (approximately 50 miles), the Midlands and Northern networks. There is a railway station at the nearby village of Haddenham (approximately 2.5 miles) with a direct line to London Marylebone (approximately 50 minutes).

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