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Winchester, Hampshire
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Long Close

Favourably located on Long Close, in the beautiful St Cross area of Winchester, this detached four-bedroom house with south-facing garden is newly completed to a design by Maack Architects. It offers more than 2,200 sq ft of dynamic and light-filled living space, with off-street parking space for up to six cars.

The ground floor is perhaps the most impressive internal space. Arranged around a central pillar housing a Rais wood-burning stove, herringbone parquet stretches across a large living room, kitchen and dining room. There is also a family room with sliding doors and access to a garage, utility room, shower room and study. Upstairs, a master bedroom with en-suite bathroom shares the floor with three further bedrooms and a family bathroom.

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Large tri-fold aluminium glazed doors allow the open-plan living spaces to flow out into a substantial south-facing garden with paved dining area. The house has a flat roof with a zinc-clad single pitch to the front, arranged to allow for gently sloping ceilings in all of the four bedrooms creating a wonderful sense of volume. The upper storey is externally clad in Siberian larch, designed to age in uniform.

Long Close is positioned in the leafy neighbourhood of St Cross just to the south of the city centre. Renowned for its Regency and Victorian houses, St Cross sits alongside the water meadows, a beautifully tranquil nature reserve wrapped around the tributaries of the river Itchen, a serene body of water with excellent swimming spots along its banks. The Hospital of St Cross, which has been described as 'England's oldest and most perfect almshouse', is a magnificent centrepiece of community life and hosts an annual fete.

St Cross has the atmosphere of a rural community yet is just a mile from the centre of Winchester and the train station (which runs services to Waterloo in approximately one hour). The cathedral city is well known as one of Britain's most attractive and vibrant small cities with a broad range of shopping, dining and cultural facilities.

The area is also known for the excellent standard of schools, including Peter Symonds 6th Form, Prince's Mead, Pilgrims', Winchester College, Twyford and St Swithun's. Part of St Cross's considerable attraction can be attributed to the fact that many of its streets fall within the catchment of St Faith's Primary School, among the top five schools in the country for SATS results.

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