

THE MODERN HOUSE



Selsdon, Surrey
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Beech Way

Overlooking a large mature garden and the beautiful Kings Wood, a protected English woodland, this three-bedroom house was designed by the architect Eric Mayne in 1965.

Surrounded by farmland and directly opposite the 350-acre Selsdon nature reserve, Beech Way is 2 miles from the village of Warlingham and close to all amenities yet totally secluded. Croydon High School, Croham Hurst, The Royal Russel and some highly rated state schools are all close by. Beech Way is a ten-minute drive from East Croydon station, from where frequent trains travel into London Victoria in approximately 15 minutes and to Gatwick in 20 minutes. There are a number of shops and supermarkets, including Waitrose, in Selsdon, which is a five-minute drive away. Junction 6 of the M25 is approximately 10 minutes' drive to the south of Beech Way.

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The house was originally commissioned by Jean Newlove, a celebrated choreographer and the mother of Kirsty MacColl, the renowned singer and songwriter. This was the house that MacColl grew up in and is where she composed a number of songs before the family moved out of the house approximately fifteen years ago.

Mayne designed the house to take maximum advantage of the secluded setting, with the ground-floor living areas set above the bedrooms, and with all rooms benefiting from unrestricted views into the valley. The natural woodland theme is further enhanced by the cedar cladding which covers the exterior walls. Full-height bespoke teak windows on both floors allow light to flood inside.

Although the house has been well maintained and updated over the years (the 'butterfly' roof was re-covered approx 7 years ago), there is still scope for further improvements.

Beech Way, an unmade cul-de-sac, is one of the most desirable locations in the Selsdon area. A quiet lane that ends in open countryside, it is lined with large detached houses, all standing within plots of one acre or more. Like most of the houses on Beech Way, the garden leads into protected woodland and the area is a haven for wildlife, including Roe deer (which often wander into the garden with their fawns), herons, woodpeckers, glow worms, slow worms and Giant Roman snails.



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