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Longton Avenue

This wonderfully unique home, which is based on the self-build design pioneered by Swiss architect Walter Segal, sits on a fantastic corner plot opposite Sydenham Wells Park on Longton Avenue. The timber-frame house, built using the 'Segal Method' in 1981, is one of three houses awarded to the original owners as part of a land allocation lottery held by Lewisham Council.

The single-storey detached house is a foundation-free structure that stands on stilts, accessed at a slightly raised level at the front by a short flight of wooden steps. The slope of the site means that the land falls away from back to front by almost a metre.

There are three bedrooms and two bathrooms that are connected to a reception, kitchen and dining area by a central corridor. The kitchen and dining room have a lovely view across the wide avenue to the trees that border Sydenham Wells Park.

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Outside, the plot surrounds the house on all sides, with a larger area to the front that includes an off-street parking space.

This is a very rare opportunity to work with a real original, both in structure and interiors, having only ever been lived in by the owner who built the house himself using Segal's self-build method.

There are a number of Walter Segal designed houses in the surrounding area that form clusters of self-build communities also established in the 1980s. Walters Way consists of 13 houses, whilst nearby Segal Close is a group of seven houses.

The house is very well positioned in Sydenham, just to the north of Crystal Palace Park. The centres of Crystal Palace and Forest Hill are nearby, offering an ever-increasing selection of good cafes and local restaurants, and all the usual grocery shops and amenities. The Crystal Palace Triangle is well-known for some excellent mid-century furniture dealers and independent restaurants.

Sydenham is the nearest rail station, which is usefully positioned on both the London Bridge Line and the London Overground. London Bridge is around 20 minutes, Canada Water (for Jubilee) is 15 minutes, and there is a direct service to Victoria that calls at Clapham Junction.

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