

Ultra Modern Eco House Close to Beach

'No radiators and no boiler' has become the refrain whilst showing buyers around the Camber Sands eco house currently on the market.

Despite holding the brochure in their hands that lists the energy saving devices, the reality of these features is still a novelty. One look in the cupboard containing the solar heated hot water cylinder and pipes for the under floor heating gets the message home. Free showers are enjoyed by the family - the last time that happened was Goa in the 1980s when the water was warmed in a recycled oil drum. Plus, without radiators all the walls are freed up creating a great feeling of space and flexibility.

It is a bit of a Tardis anyway. RIBA award-winning architects Knox Bhavan have created so much space here that the split level arrangement of rooms makes it feel like there is an added floor.

In addition to the two generous bedrooms, there's room for table tennis, storage for surf boards, bikes and golf clubs. Rye Water Sports Centre at a nearby lake, a safe cycle path to Rye and Golf links just spitting distance away means that it's not just the beach visitors come here for.

However, it is the views of the dunes from the two sun decks that add to the drama of the location of this eco house, with Camber's Blue Flag beach just a minutes' walk away.