

## A loft conversion has to be the best way to add space and value to a bungalow

Having a loft conversion on a bungalow offers many advantages. It not only adds a whole other floor to your property, but in many cases it could actually double the floor space of your home.

That's exactly what happened when Julie and Gary Lawrence used Econoloft to build a loft conversion on their property in Cobham, Surrey.

"We really liked the house and the area and when we bought it a couple of years ago, it was with the intention of adding more space," said Julie.

Friends recommended Econoloft and the couple were happy to award the contract to the loft conversion experts. There was a lot of admin and paperwork to get through as the property is situated in a conservation area which means that unlike most loft conversions, this one did need planning permission.

Econoloft offers a one stop shop in-house facility which meant they dealt with the council and sorted out all the necessary forms required for the party wall agreements too. Once all the necessary permissions were in place Econoloft used a dormer loft conversion at the rear of the house and a Velux loft conversion at the front and the loft conversion was built in around 10 weeks.

'Prior to having the loft conversion, the bungalow had one large bedroom and a very small one," said Julie. "We decided to lose the small room completely to make way for a lovely staircase which in fact, opened up the house beautifully.

'Now the house has two generous sized bedrooms and two bathrooms which we are sure will have added significant value to our home."

The original biggest bedroom is now a multi-functional 'snug' which is used both as a spare sitting room and guest bedroom for when family members comes to stay over.

However, the new loft conversion takes pride of place as the master suite and with windows on both sides of the room it is a light and airy space. Julie and Gary have used a neutral colour palette to enhance the bedroom and their ensuite bathroom uses a light grey and contemporary accessories for a hotel chic look.

"We are really pleased with our Econoloft loft conversion and it has totally transformed our whole house," adds Julie. "It has to be the best way to add space and value to a bungalow."

