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Inside meets out with Origin

Bi-folding doors from Origin have helped a family cope with the compromises of moving to a smaller property, giving the feel of a bigger home and garden.

After four years of living in Southend-on-Sea, the Osborns made a decision to move to Aylesbury due to both professional and family reasons. It involved downsizing to a 3 bed semi-detached home, with a lean-to at the rear.

Homeowner Andrew said: "The lean-to made us feel very disconnected from the garden." The plan was to get rid of the lean-to and build an extension to create more living space, while removing that separation between home and garden and allowing more natural light into the kitchen and dining area.



"It's a North-facing property so, with the house as it was, it would get rather dark round the back; we needed more light," added Andrew.

Extending 2.5m out at the rear of the house was always going to limit the Osborns' garden space, something they didn't want to

compromise on. There was very little they could do in terms of extending their garden, with a garage in place behind it. The solution was bi-folding doors. Being able to completely open up the back of their home would enable them to seamlessly combine the interior and exterior, giving the impression of a much larger garden and social space.

Andrew was aware of bi-folding doors and their many benefits through shows such as Grand Designs. After looking around various suppliers and speaking with an architect, Andrew was pointed in the direction of Origin. Immediately the quality of the profile, clean finish and smooth running action of the doors stood out to the Osborns.



The main parking space for the property is at the rear of the house, meaning the back doors were going to be used as the main entrance, putting more emphasis on quality, durability and security. Origin's powder coated finished, 20-year guarantee and multi-point locking system ticked all of the boxes for Andrew.

Since the installation, Andrew admits that the doors have "completely transformed this home." The light and space they have added has given the kitchen and dining area a fresh, new feel which is exactly what the Osborns were looking for.

"The house itself feels a lot bigger. It's great for having family and friends over when we can open the doors and really enjoy our garden," said Andrew Osborn.

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