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Case Study: Rural Buckinghamshire Retreat



Project scope

- Media Room
- Wi-Fi throughout
- Lighting and Shading
- Discreet audio
- Smart home control platform
- On & off-site monitoring

Rural Buckinghamshire Retreat

With a stunning new country home, the owners of this property wanted modern technology that would be reliable and hassle free. This large family home needed a variety of smart home features that would add even more luxury to compliment the rest of the house.

The owners of this property were keen to enjoy the benefits of the latest technology but also wanted their systems to be discreet and not distract from the home's interior design.



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Project requirements

Our brief was to design and install an integrated audio visual and lighting system that could be controlled with ease from one platform within the house as well as remotely. They also needed robust Wi-Fi.

Specifically, they required:

- A media room with surround sound
- Intelligent lighting and Automated blind Control
- Sound throughout, including the pool areas
- Full Wi-Fi coverage



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Architecture, design and project planning was carried out by James Lambert Architects with Interior Being - they worked with the clients to design their perfect family home. Electrical specialists Darke & Taylor were called in meet the client's electrical needs, using Chris Lewis Smart Home to help them achieve their home automation dreams. As it is a family home it was essential that all the systems were easy to control and could be programmed to each family member's individual needs.





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‘This project was yet another successful partnership between Chris Lewis Smart Home and Darke & Taylor. Having worked with them before, we knew they had the skills and expertise needed to design and install the integrated audio, visual and lighting system. Their depth and breadth of automation technology knowledge as well as the team’s can-do attitude benefited everyone involved and helped the clients achieve their smart home goals.’

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Simon Newton,
Managing Director, Darke & Taylor

Solution

The results of this project speak for themselves – unobtrusive, bespoke and intuitive technology that has enhanced the property immensely.

- Control4 platform
- Sonos Multiroom Audio
- Lutron Lighting & Blind Control
- WiFi throughout the home

The Chris Lewis Smart Home Team used a variety of high-end brands to convert the client’s brief into a high-functioning automated system. The backbone of this was a Control4 platform which integrated all the audio, media and lighting.

Part of the solution that also had to be addressed was the fact that the clients were keen for systems to be as discreet as possible. For this The Chris Lewis Smart Home team used invisible plaster-in speakers and hidden cabling so that the systems would not distract from the ornate ceilings and decor of the property.

The client’s final wish was for a sunrise effect to be created with lighting in the pool room. For this the Chris Lewis Smart Home team used Lutron DMX to control the lighting’s hue with spectacular results.