

## An exciting new chapter in handmade furniture...

hen Caroline and Bill Hammill wanted to create a true family room for their home in Witchford, they wanted something more special than a simple row of bookcases.

"We wanted a room with a real 'wow' factor," says Bill. "We wanted a room for all the family to relax in, to read and to play games and to listen to music."

"Above all, we didn't want it took look

like a kitchen," says Caroline. "Some of the people we approached just didn't seem to get it. They tended to overcomplicate things and didn't understand how we wanted to use the room."

During a weekend celebrating Bill's birthday, the couple visited King's Lynn and came across Bespoke Pine n Oak's town centre store and furniture workshop in Tower Street.

"We saw some intriguing magazine racks in the window and decided to pop in," says Bill. "It was only then that we realised they actually designed and built the furniture themselves."

The combination of Kevin Berry's long experience in the timber trade and the remarkable craftsmanship of his fellow director Carl Ingram were exactly what the Hammills were looking for.

"We like to say we can make anything for anyone to go anywhere," says Kevin. "Any shape, any size – we're really only ever limited by people's imaginations!"

> Carl visited the Hammills at home and prepared a number of room designs.

"He really had some great ideas," says Caroline. "He thought of having a central bookcase stand out from the rest of the library to give it some depth, and

suggested fitting a skirting board to match the existing one that ran around the rest of the room. It was that level of attention to detail that we wanted – someone who completely understood how important the room was to us."

After building the units to the highest standards and with traditional cabinetmaking and carpentry skills, Carl and his team returned to the Hammills and fitted the system within a few hours.

"They were so impressive," says Bill. "They obviously took a great deal of pride in their work, and it was clear the finished result meant just as much to Bespoke Pine n Oak as it did to us."

Today, the family room is faithful to the Hammills' original vision – Bill listens to his records, Caroline reads her favourite books, and together they play games with their grandchildren when they visit.

"Most people say it looks as though it's always been here, and that's exactly what we had in mind," says Caroline. "I think this is the room that I always wanted – but I didn't realise that until I saw it!"

For unique handmade furniture that's carefully and individually crafted to meet the needs of you and your home, contact Kevin and Carl at Bespoke Pine n Oak today. If you can draw it, they can make it.

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