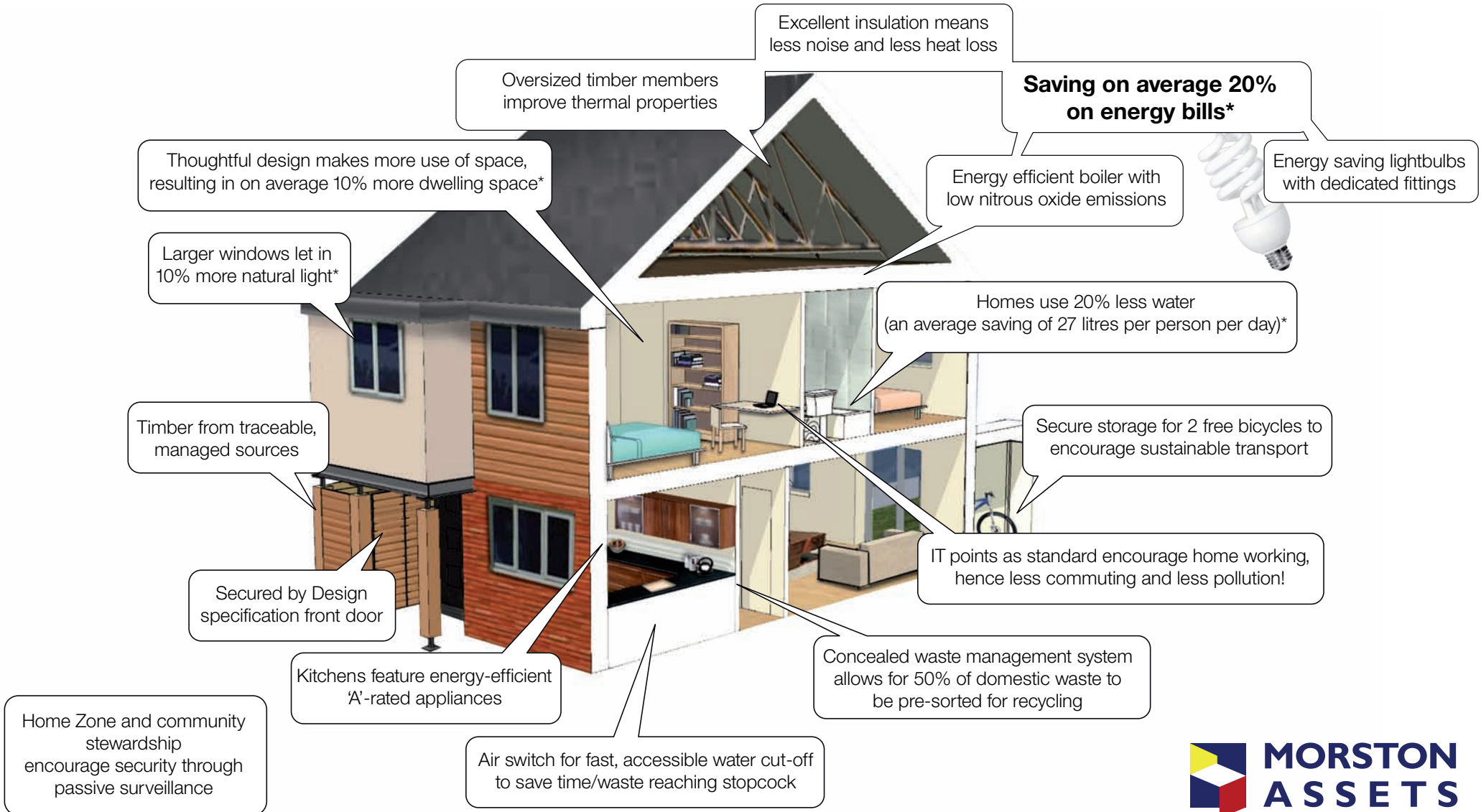


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you'll find all these features in all Yours South Lynn homes and apartments



*All comparisons drawn from a new property built to Building Regulations 2002 Standards

want to know what a millennium community is?

The Millennium Communities Programme was set up by English Partnerships in conjunction with Communities and Local Government to create seven exemplar sustainable communities across the UK. It is anticipated that the programme will bring forward over 9000 EcoHome Excellent standard homes providing inspiration to both the development industry and the general house-buying public.

The ethos behind the Millennium Communities is to provide a range of high quality and innovative homes to facilitate an environmentally friendly lifestyle. Each of the seven new developments will include green open spaces, wildlife areas and recreation facilities to provide public and private spaces where people want to live and community life flourishes.

Good transport links, shops and community facilities are a priority and planners have been tasked with giving as much thought to the needs of pedestrians and cyclists, as they do car-users. These concepts do not mean that all the communities look the same. Each one has been individually master-planned and designed to take account of the local environment.

The Programme is attracting some of the UK's most talented architects and successful developers, whose challenge it is to create an exciting new vision for a place – one that helps the area to attract more opportunities and investment and establish flourishing neighbourhoods with bright prospects.

Who is choosing to live in these new communities?

The Millennium Communities are being designed to include different types and sizes of home, to attract a wide range of residents and the sales rates are proving to be incredibly successful. Enquiries are now starting to come from people who are attracted by the environmental credentials of the development; people who want to buy into this high quality lifestyle. Home Zones, Secured by Design, Sustainable Urban Drainage systems, live-work facilities and quality children's play facilities all contribute to the overall offer.

The standards

Millennium Communities developments have very specific environmental and quality standards, which developers are required to meet. Among other things these quality benchmarks set the bar for energy efficiency, water consumption, building defects, recycling and health and safety on site. To ensure that the Millennium Communities keep at the cutting edge, these standards are updated with each new development agreement.

The current standards incorporate performance data in each of the following:-

- Eco Homes Excellent and BREEAM Excellent
- Reduced energy consumption
- Reduced embodied energy
- Renewable energy
- Reduced water consumption
- Reduced domestic waste
- Reduced construction waste
- Lower defects
- Reduced snagging items
- Better noise reduction Improved space standards in line with SDS
- Affordable Housing
- 'A' rated white goods
- Car clubs and cycle facilities
- Sustainable building materials
- SDS and Life time Homes
- Secure by design
- Improved site Health and Safety
- IT enabling

All community or commercial buildings within the Millennium Communities also have to achieve very high standards and all new public buildings aim to meet the requirements of the Building Research Establishment's BREEAM Excellent.

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