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VELUX CHAMPIONS SUSTAINABILITY AT SCOTLAND'S HOUSING EXPO

Continuing to actively champion sustainable homes that are also healthy and enjoyable places to live, VELUX Company Ltd is sponsoring two of the exemplar eco-homes at Scotland's Housing Expo, held throughout August at Balvonie Braes, just South of Inverness.

The properties that VELUX has chosen to sponsor at the event particularly reflect the company's vision of sustainable homes and go hand in hand with its focus on the environment and home design.

The Flower House (Plot 25) was designed by A & J Burridge as a life-enhancing place to live and is a "simple response" to creating an eco-friendly home. The three bedroom property faces North over the Moray Firth and is clad with horizontal timber boarding to form large daisy motifs, demonstrating that sustainable design can have spirit as well as substance.

House No. 7, designed by David Somerville Architects, is a three bedroom home with a balance of light and warmth and incorporates large areas of South facing glazing. Both structures presented at the Expo are innovative in their designs as well as being energy efficient and will shortly be available for homeowners to buy.

In addition to the two VELUX-sponsored homes, many of the 52 green properties that make up the Expo's village of homes for the future incorporate VELUX products, including the company's solar hot water system and roof windows, into their designs.

Kevin Brennan, Head of Sustainability, VELUX Company Ltd, comments: "At VELUX, we hold the strong belief that our future sustainable homes should not only be energy efficient, but also enjoyable and healthy places to live, that are filled with daylight and fresh air and that look good too.

"Scotland's Housing Expo, with its ambition to showcase the latest ideas on housing design and sustainability to promote eco-friendly lifestyles, respectful of natural resources, is therefore a perfect partner for VELUX. We are proud to be able to sponsor the Flower House

and House No. 7, which have both come up with cutting edge, imaginative solutions to meet the challenge of sustainability, while retaining an understanding of how people use their homes. We hope that locals and visitors will be inspired by the environmentally friendly measures used in these properties and look forward to bringing more sustainable homes to other areas of the UK.”

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VELUX believe that new and existing homes should conform to a sustainable living agenda. However this should not be at the detriment to either living standards or the health and well-being of a building's occupants. Sustainable living should embrace modern lifestyles and the changing needs of society, while providing a building enclosure that encourages a healthy indoor climate. The use of natural daylighting and ventilation is prerequisite to a healthy lifestyle and the use of secure renewable technology such as solar thermal is a commonsense approach to low energy building solutions.

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