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Sensible living space.

In terms of sensible living space, it doesn't get much better, you know, the fact that it's blowing an absolute gale outside and you need to go and get some logs from the shippon, or go and check your animals in the past - I mean I don't have animals in there now - but you just literally, you don't even have to put your shoes on, you just go across the cross passage which is all in under the same building and then into the shippon and you can check your animals. You know the known thinking on it is that the warmth obviously rose into the house from that but in terms of having it all under one roof the sense of that is just incredible; it really makes sense, just from a security point of view, from a just the not getting wet walking across the yard point of view, just everything about it just made sense; and you had a fairly large communal living room and that made sense from a heat point of view, so you know, just everything about it, it's very logical, and I think we could learn a lot from early building techniques.