New wood floor feels luxurious, just like a fully bonded installation

Products used: InstaLay 50hg (high grab adhesive) 30m² (300 sq ft)

Floor finish: 16mm (5/8") tongue & groove engineered wood

When having a new engineered wood floor installed, a private homeowner chose InstaLay, after researching different underlays and installation methods on the internet, and was delighted with the results.

He wanted a floor that felt like a fully glued down installation but wished to avoid the cost and sub-floor preparations that this would have involved. The sub-floor was not in perfect condition but the thicker InstaLay 50hg forgave these imperfections without significant cost or preparation work.

InstaLay, with its self-adhesive membrane, bonds to the entire underside of the wood floor which, coupled with its rubber crumb construction, provided the solid feel of a fully bonded installation. It also offers high levels of acoustic performance and had the added benefit of raising the floor to match the level of adjoining rooms.

The installation was quite tricky as the new wood floor adjoined four other rooms and also ran into an under stairs cupboard. However, the contractors, who had never previously worked with InstaLay, managed to complete the whole installation in just one day. This impressed both the contractors and the homeowner, whose inconvenience was kept to a minimum.

Using InstaLay provided various benefits:

- It provided a stable solid floor that felt like a fully bonded wood floor.
- Being loose laid, it was very quick to install.
- Its unique self-adhesive construction considerably reduced sub-floor preparation and installation times.
- Floors could be walked on immediately after installation.
- It is environmentally friendly, hygienic and long lasting.