Initial design considerations when planning an alteration or building new.

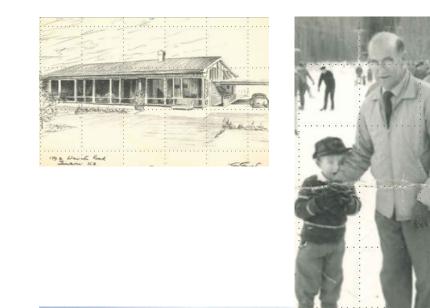
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What does HOME mean to you?









When designing you need to take a whole-house approach



- Occupants
- Future use
- Site
- Design
- Neighbourhood

- Construction style
- Energy use
- Water use
- Indoor air quality and ventilation
- Material selection waste/ recycling

Great homes consider all areas

Home owner approach



- What's your aim, your dream?
- Be clear on what you want to achieve
- Think ahead. Your requirements in 5, 10, 15,20 years
- Short-term building savings / high long-term running costs

Decisions you make today affect all future home owners.

Think before you design

- What do you like about your existing home?
- What do you dislike about your existing home?
- How long do you spend in your home?
- Which days and at what times?
- When do you entertain and how often?
- Future plans?



The home must reflect the owners needs and identity



Simple to complex designs







How **BIG** does your home need to be?

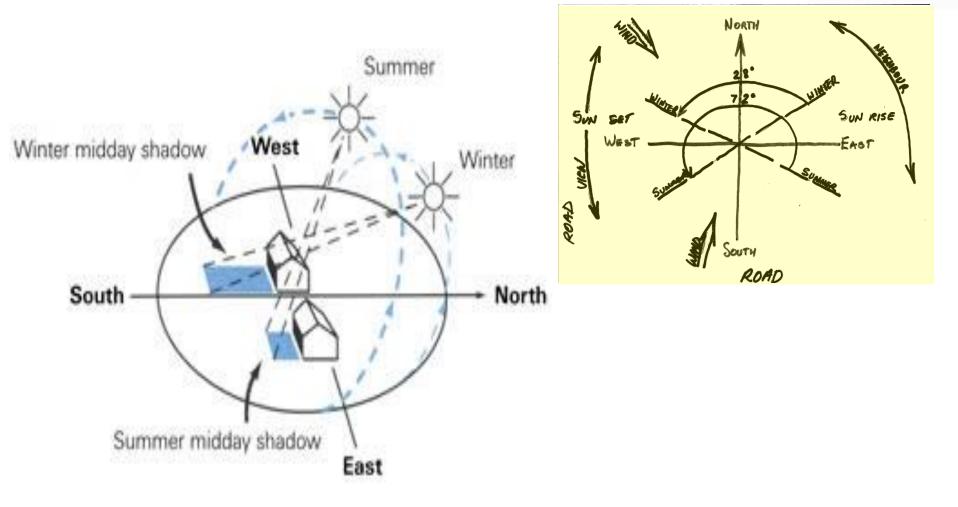


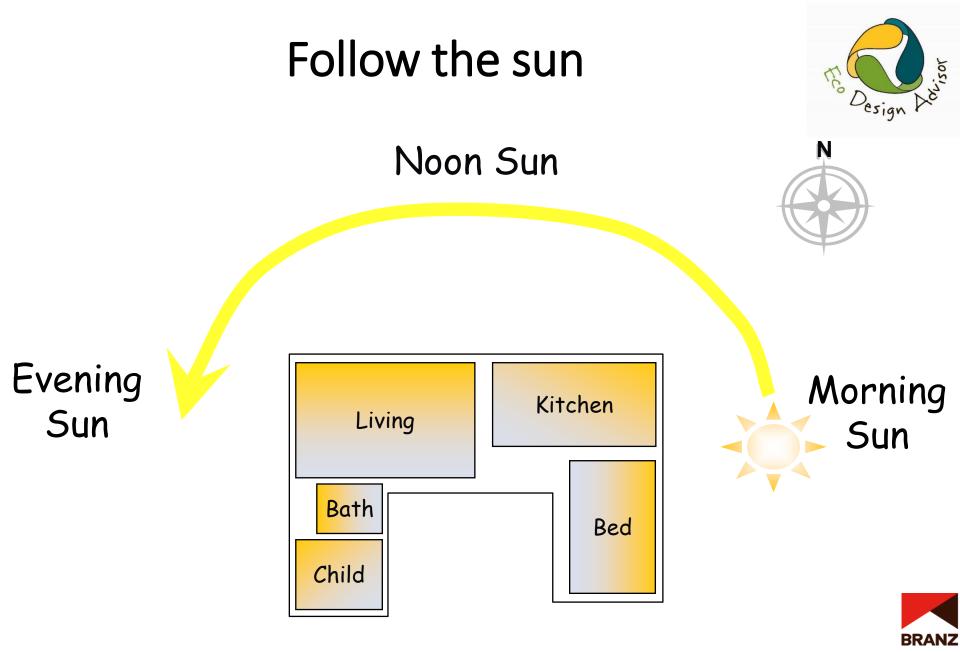
Smaller homes

- cost less initially
- use less materials
- cost less to heat and cool for the life span of the home
- less furnishings
- less ongoing maintenance inside and outside
- less vacuuming and cleaning
- each extra square metre of building costs you between \$2500 - \$3000

Site information

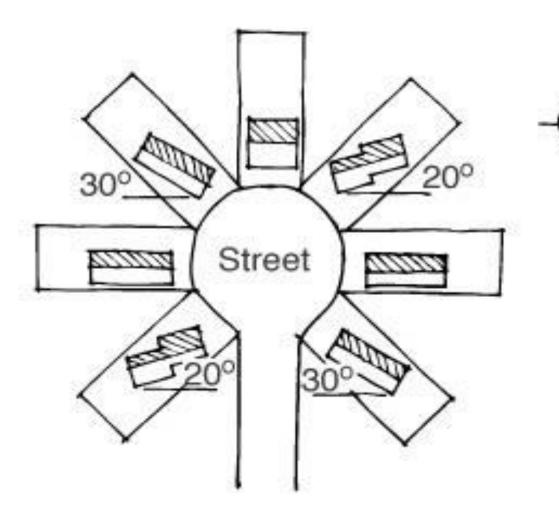






North-facing living areas



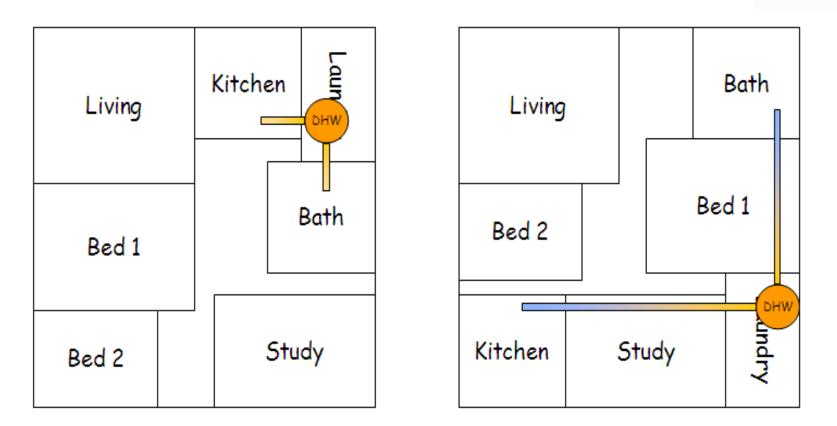


Day time living areas shown shaded



Cluster services





Heat losses in pipes with long runs



Other points worth mentioning



- Garage not directly linked to house
- Enclosed entrance foyer
- Insulate internal walls between heated and unheated zones
- Smaller windows to the south and west
- Designing consider multi-use areas
- Maximise insulation not minimums

Alterations to an existing home

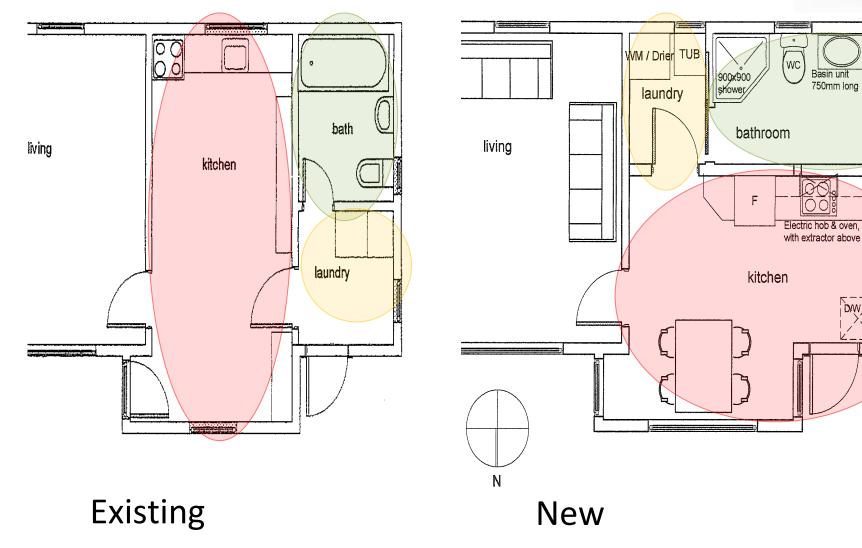


Bath

1700mm long

Basin unit 750mm long

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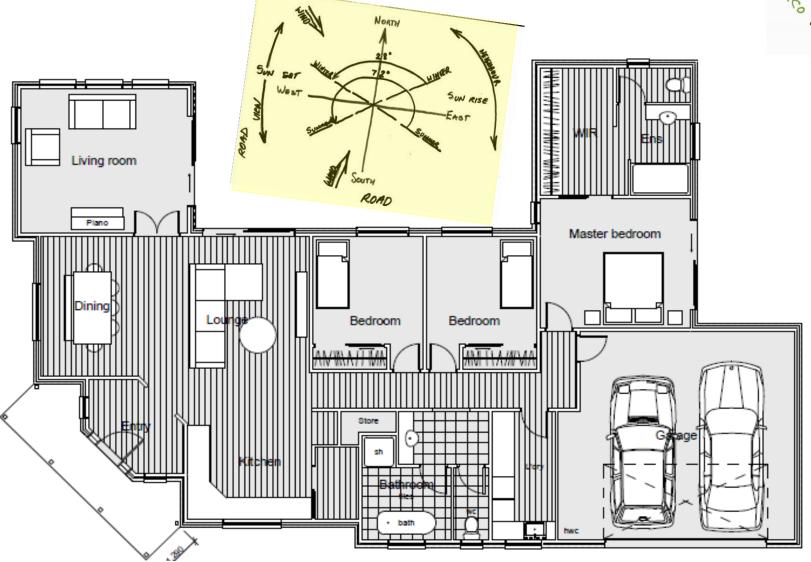


Proposed plan





Design consultation





Free home visit, phone enquiry or plan review

If you have a phone enquiry or you're based on the Kapiti Coast and would like a free home visit or review of your proposed plans my details are:

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Thanks for listening to this talk.

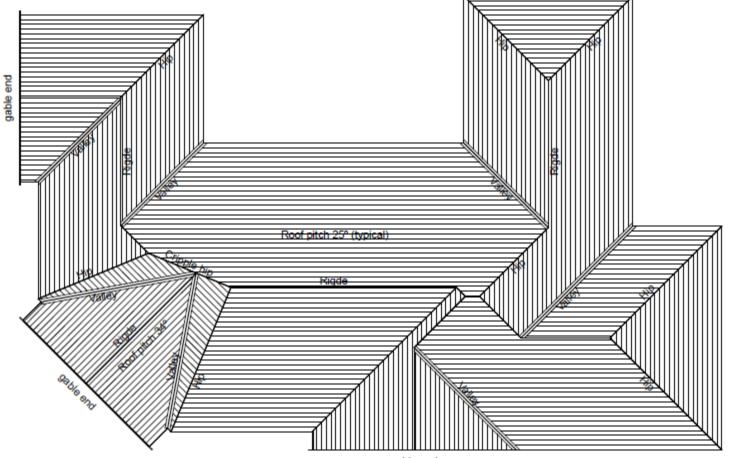


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Proposed roof plan



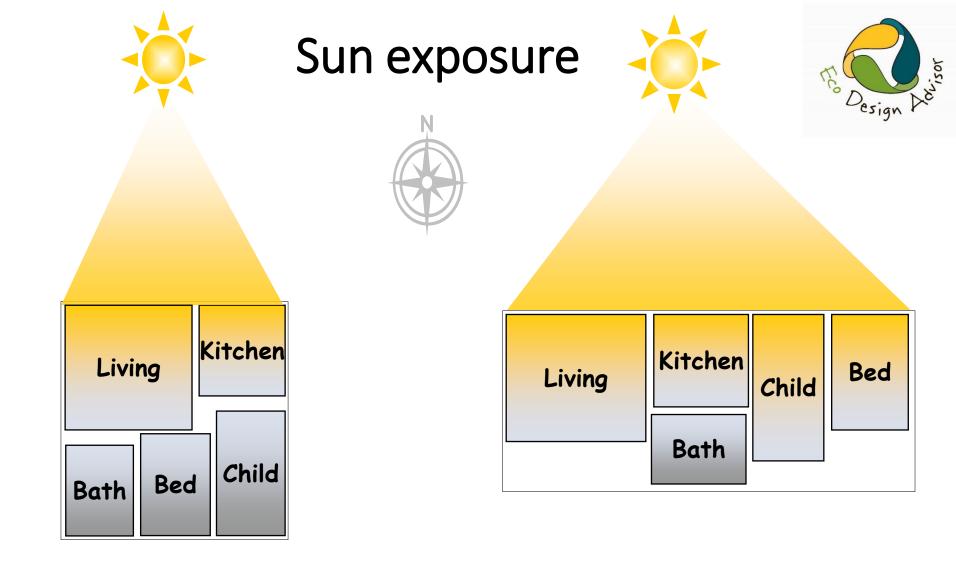


gable end

Plan area of roof 245.37 m²



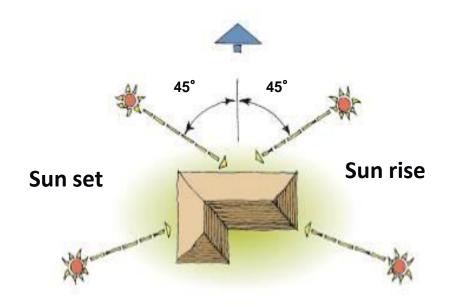
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Orientation and azimuth





Rule of Thumb: Face living areas within 20° of true North.

	Latitude	Summer	Winter	Spring/ Autumn
Akl	36.8° S	76.7°S	29.7°S	53.2°S
Wgtn	41.3°S	72.2°S	25.2°S	48.7°S
Chch	43.5°S	70.0° S	23.0° S	46.5°S
Dun	46.0° S	67.5°S	20.5°S	44.0° S

