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## **Rowan Lee**

**Proposed Dwelling, Lot 1, DP 10609, Rarangi Beach  
Road**

▪ **On-site Wastewater Management Report**

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Rowan Lee  
New Dwelling  
Lot 1, DP 10609,  
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## **1 Executive Summary**

Smart Alliances have carried out an engineering appraisal of the on-site wastewater management criteria for the proposed new dwelling of Rowan Lee (the client) at Lot 1, DP 10609, Rarangi Beach Road, Blenheim.

The clients wish to construct a three bedroom dwelling which requires a wastewater design for 6 people. The total discharge on the site has therefore been placed at 990L/day.

There is sufficient area to treat and dispose of the wastewater created from the new dwelling.

The wastewater management system for the proposed dwelling should comprise a primary treatment (septic tank) unit fitted with a filter at the outlet. A pump chamber will distribute the treated wastewater to a discharge control sand trench for land application.

The application area should be two beds totalling a minimum of 28m<sup>2</sup> in area.

Installation is to be in accordance with the requirements and recommendations of AS/NZS 1547:2012.

The recommendations listed above should not be taken in isolation and must be read in conjunction with the balance of this report and the context of the proposed residential development at the site.

## **2 Introduction**

The client proposes to construct a new three bedroom dwelling on his property located at Lot 1, DP 10609, Rarangi Beach Road, Blenheim.

The purpose of this report is to present the results of site investigations carried out in relation to the on-site wastewater treatment and land application for the new dwelling. The site investigations were carried out on 02 July 2013.

## **3 Location & Site Description**

The property is located on the corner of Rarangi Beach Road and Port Underwood Road.

The property borders one (1) privately owned property and the road reserve.

The property is relatively flat with a small plateau in the north west corner and is vegetated in grass.

The legal description of the property is Lot 1, DP 10609, and the land area is 0.0765 ha.

Locations of all the features of the property are shown on the site plan attached in Appendix A.

#### 4 Wastewater Assessment

The site investigation has identified that the property is suitable for wastewater disposal by primary treatment (septic tank) fitted with a filter at the outlet. A pump chamber will distribute the treated wastewater to a discharge control sand trench for land application.

Three hand augured boreholes, numbered AG1 to AG3, were put down at the site in the proposed land application area. Their locations are shown on the site plan provided in Appendix A.

Based on the soil assessment carried out, an average drainage category of 1 has been adopted. With this considered, a maximum design loading rate of 35mm/day is considered appropriate. Logs of the representative soil properties are provided in Appendix B.

Groundwater was not encountered within the subsurface investigation and is anticipated to be at a depth greater than 1m below ground level. No natural watercourses are present within the property. A well (P28w/1579) exists approximately 60m east of the wastewater field.

No reticulated wastewater system is available on or near the property, however domestic wastewater can be collected, treated and disposed on the site.

The primary treatment system is expected to achieve the following treatment levels:

BOD after 5 days (average) < 150 g/m<sup>3</sup>  
Suspended solids (average) < 80 g/m<sup>3</sup>

A wastewater design sheet is provided in Appendix B with the design calculation based on the following criteria for the proposed development:

- 3 bedrooms with permanent occupation by 6 people.
- Total design flow of 990 litres/day (6 persons and 165 litres/head/day).
- Soil category 1 and a design loading rate 35mm.
- Standard water reduction fixtures installed.

Standard water reduction fixtures are to be installed in accordance with Table H3 of AS/NZS 1547:2012 to assist in minimising water usage, such fixtures include:

Dual flush 11/5.5 litre water closets, shower-flow restrictors, aerator faucets (taps) and water conserving automatic washing machines.

Based on the criteria above, the minimum total area of the application field is 28m<sup>2</sup>.

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We therefore recommend the application field be one 13m long and 2.2m wide bed. Details of the application bed are shown in Appendix A.

## 5 Environmental Assessment

An onsite wastewater system is required on this property as there is no reticulation in the area.

Because of the following reasons we do not envisage the wastewater becoming an environmental risk:

- Sand bed land application to provide a high level of treatment
- Short field size to insure even distribution
- Dose loaded via a pump
- No ground water in the vicinity of the wastewater field

The risk from the wastewater system contaminating drinking water is negligible. Set back distances are favourable, soil classification has been conservative and a large disposal area has been designed. The closest well (P28w/1579) is approximately 60m west of the land application area.

The filter installed at the outlet of the septic tank will improve the BOD<sub>5</sub> and SS and lessen the risk of soil clogging.

Being dosed via a pump will achieve good distribution and the 600mm of 2A sand will further treat the wastewater to a high standard.

The land application field is sited on elevated ground and not within any ground depressions that are prone to flooding.

The land application field is 12m from the nearest neighbours boundary. It is within 1m of the northern boundary which adjoins Port Underwood Road and where it poses no environmental risk.

The effect of a failed system will primarily affect the applicant's property. In the event of a failed system wastewater is likely to accumulate within the flat grassed area within which the field is located, adjoining the road reserve. Infiltration into the topsoil layers and the environmental buffering capacity of the land will ensure all water sources and neighbours are protected.

The effects will be easily identifiable, inhibit the applicant's use of the land and be generally unpleasant. The owner will want to address the failure and repair / install a new wastewater system. The property is large and a reserve area is available to relocate the field should the field fail.

Regular maintenance and inspection by the owner will ensure the onsite wastewater system is operating to a suitable standard.

## 6 Conclusion

There is sufficient area to treat and dispose of the wastewater created from the proposed four bedroom house.

The wastewater management system for the proposed dwelling should comprise a primary treatment (septic tank) unit fitted with a filter at the outlet. A pump chamber will distribute the treated wastewater to a discharge control sand trench for land application

The application area should be a minimum of 28m<sup>2</sup> in area.

Installation is to be in accordance with the requirements and recommendations of AS/NZS 1547:2012.

## 7 Limitations

This report is valid for five years from the date of issue and covers the onsite wastewater treatment at Lot 1, DP 10609, Rarangi Beach Road for Rowan Lee. Any other areas are outside the scope of this report.

The reliance by other parties on the information or opinions in the report shall, without our prior review and agreement in writing, be at such parties' sole risk.

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## **Appendix A - Drawings**

- **Site Plan Drawing**
- **Typical Field Area Details**



Well  
328w/1579

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PROJECT  
**LEE DWELLING  
326 RARANGI BEACH ROAD**

DRAWING  
**SITE PLAN**

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## SYSTEM USE & MAINTENANCE

The household sewage should not contain anything other than human waste and toilet paper, and food material such as may go down a kitchen sink drain.

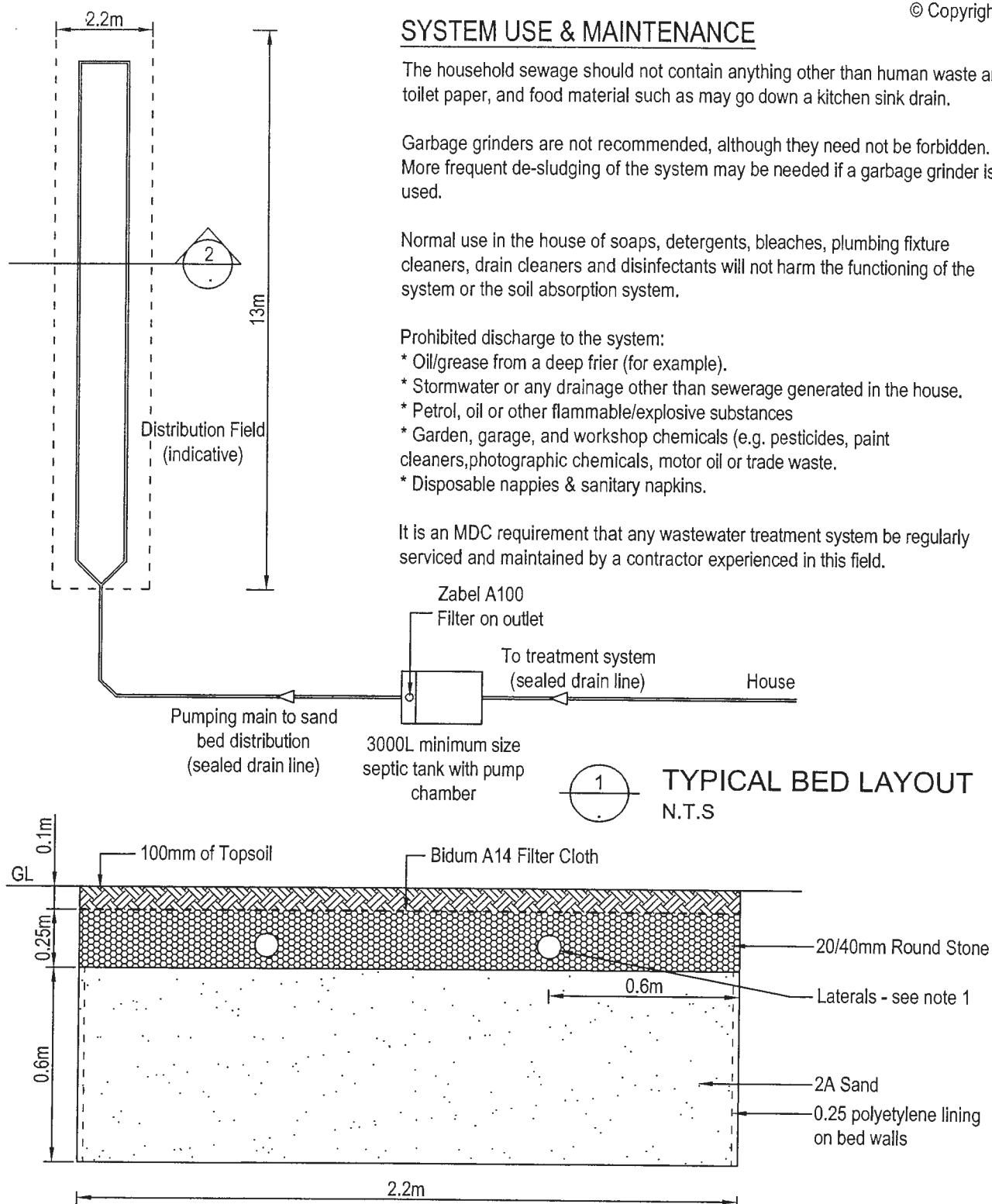
Garbage grinders are not recommended, although they need not be forbidden. More frequent de-sludging of the system may be needed if a garbage grinder is used.

Normal use in the house of soaps, detergents, bleaches, plumbing fixture cleaners, drain cleaners and disinfectants will not harm the functioning of the system or the soil absorption system.

Prohibited discharge to the system:

- \* Oil/grease from a deep frier (for example).
- \* Stormwater or any drainage other than sewerage generated in the house.
- \* Petrol, oil or other flammable/explosive substances
- \* Garden, garage, and workshop chemicals (e.g. pesticides, paint cleaners, photographic chemicals, motor oil or trade waste.
- \* Disposable nappies & sanitary napkins.

It is an MDC requirement that any wastewater treatment system be regularly serviced and maintained by a contractor experienced in this field.



Note:

1. Distribution drains to be U-PVC 100mmØ perforated pipe laid flat with perforations comprising at least 2% of surface area. (10mmØ slots at 100mm centres from 4 to 8 o'clock positions).


2 TYPICAL BED CONSTRUCTION  
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## **Appendix B – Wastewater Details, Calculations and Logs**

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### Wastewater Logs - 4053

Three hand augered boreholes, numbered AG 1 to AG 3, were put down at the site in the general vicinity of the proposed land application area and their locations are shown on the site plan in Appendix A. The representative soil properties are:

#### AG 1

Lower Depth (m)	Horizon or Layer Boundary	Genesis	Description							Drainage Category
			Colour	Field Texture	% + 2mm Fragments	Compactness	Consistency	Structure	Moisture Condition	
0.1	A	Alluvial	Brown-Grey	Pea Gravel	50%	Loose	Firm	Massive	Dry	1
0.9	B	Alluvial	Brown-Grey	Pea Gravel	70%	Loose	Firm	Massive	Slightly Moist	1

Site Classification: Sand – Very little to no coherence; cannot be moulded; single grains stick to fingers

#### AG 2

Lower Depth (m)	Horizon or Layer Boundary	Genesis	Description							Drainage Category
			Colour	Field Texture	% + 2mm Fragments	Compactness	Consistency	Structure	Moisture Condition	
0.1	A	Alluvial	Brown-Grey	Pea Gravel	50%	Loose	Firm	Massive	Dry	1
0.9	B	Alluvial	Brown-Grey	Pea Gravel	70%	Loose	Firm	Massive	Slightly Moist	1

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#### AG 3

Lower Depth (m)	Horizon or Layer Boundary	Genesis	Description							Drainage Category
			Colour	Field Texture	% + 2mm Fragments	Compactness	Consistency	Structure	Moisture Condition	
0.1	A	Alluvial	Brown-Grey	Pea Gravel	50%	Loose	Firm	Massive	Dry	1
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**WASTEWATER SYSTEM DESIGN SHEET**  
To AS/NZS 1547:2012

Number of Proposed Bedrooms: 3

Intended water Supply: Community Scheme

Soil Category Determined on Site Category 1

Recommendation for this site: *Primary Treated Effluent in pump fed sand bed disposal*

**DRAINAGE CONTROLS:**

Need for surface water collector / cut-off drains? *No*

**AVAILABILITY OR RESERVE / SETBACK AREAS**

Reserve area available for extensions, % of design area: *100%*

Setback distance? (between development and disposal system):

**DESIGN**

Daily Loading Rate: *35.0 mm/day*

Occupancy: *6 Persons*

L/person/day: 165 L/p/d = 990 L/day from Table H3 AS/NZS 1547:2012

DESIGN DAILY FLOW: 990 L/day

SEPTIC TANK SIZE (MIN): 3000

AREA REQUIRED: 28 m<sup>2</sup>

LENGTH REQUIRED: 13 m with 2.2 metre wide beds

RESERVE AREA REQUIRED: 100% of specified

BED LENGTH: 13 m

NUMBER OF BEDS: 1

**RECOMMENDED LAA = 1x 13m by 2.2m bed**

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Looking north across the proposed land application area

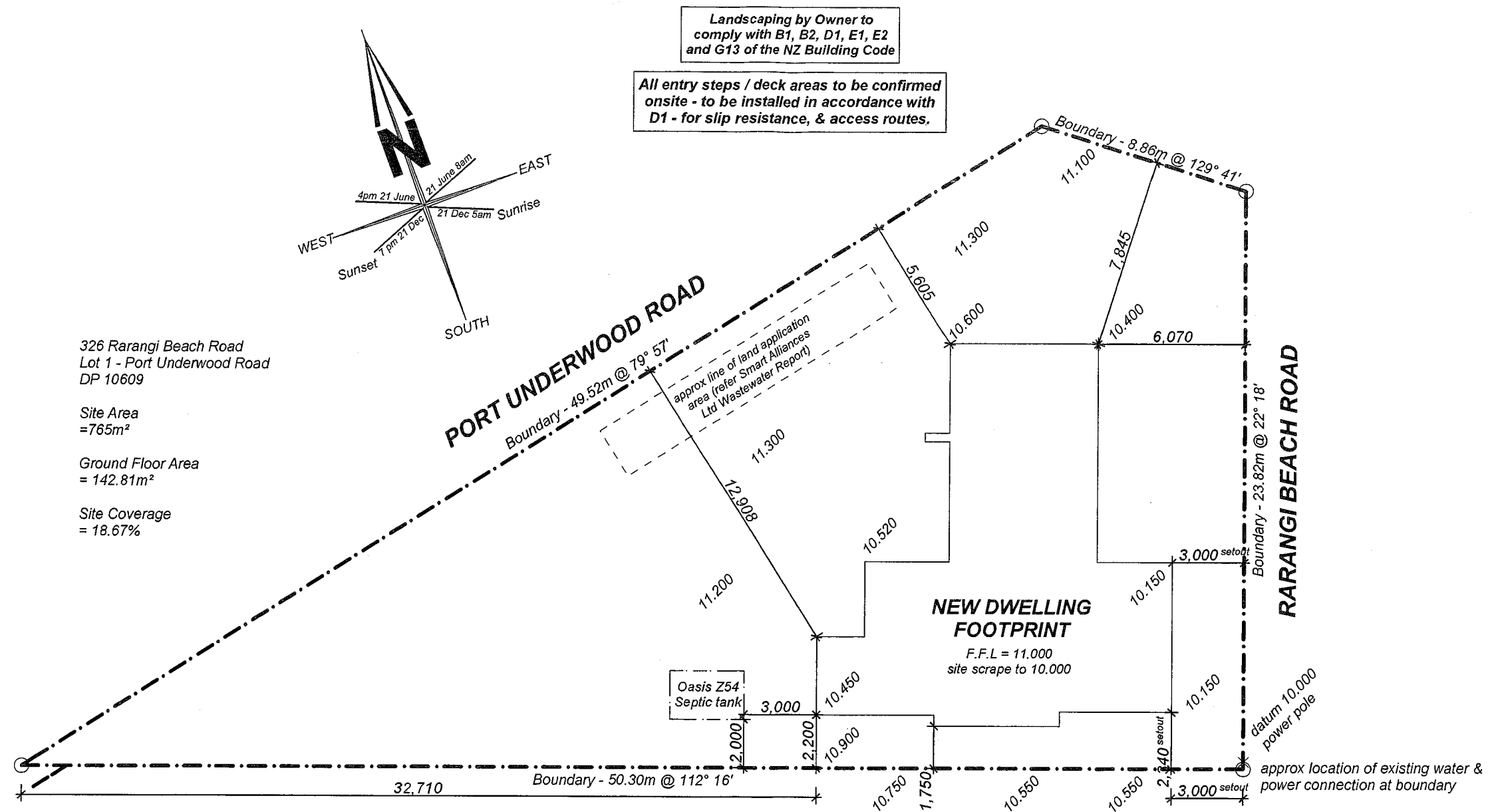


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Finished floor levels to comply with district councils minimum floor level requirements. Plans are subject to change once onsite levels can be verified.



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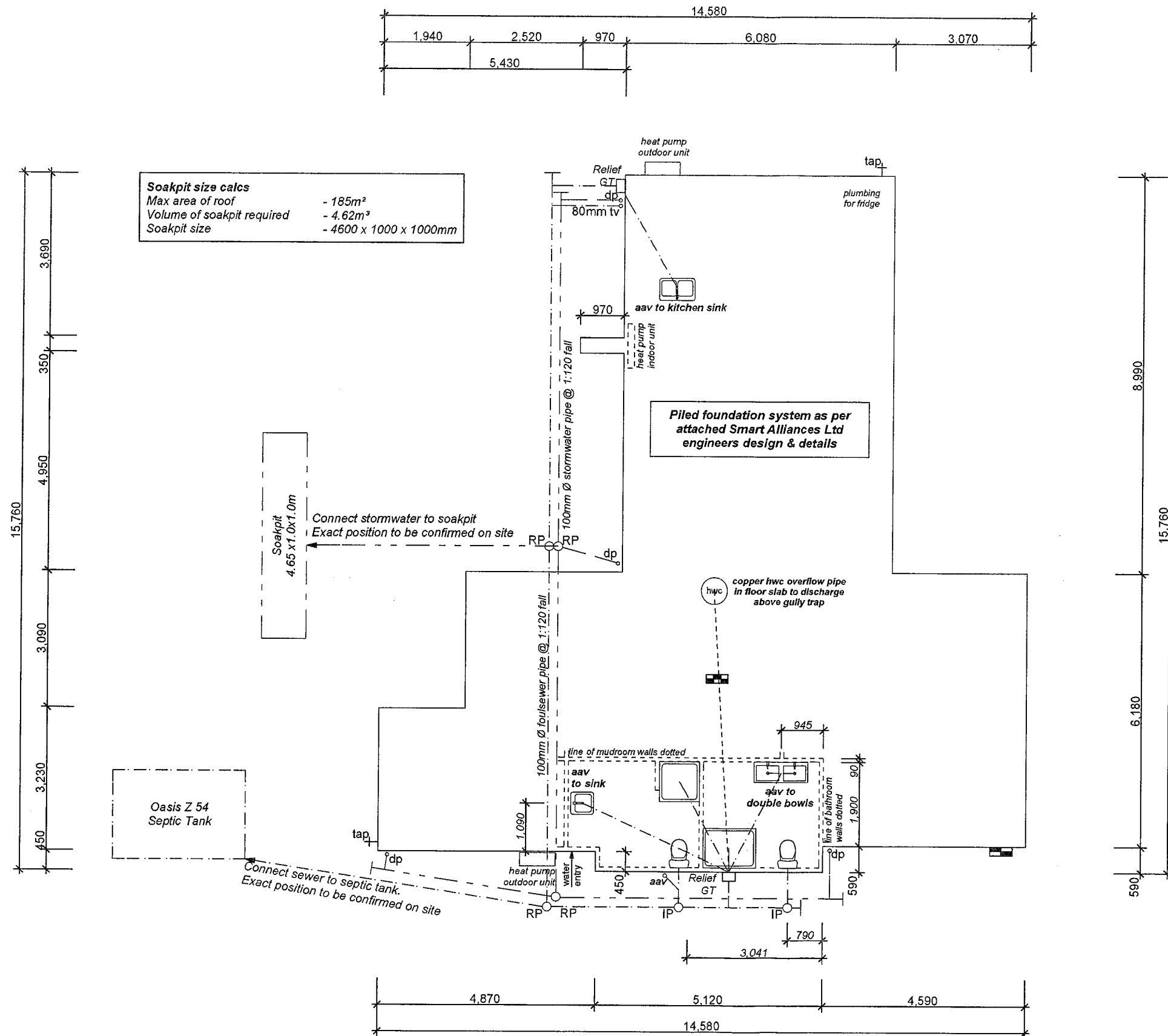
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Foulsewer Drain (100mm dia)	— — — —
Stormwater Drain (100mm dia)	— — — —
Downpipe	○ dp
Terminal Vent (80mm)	○ tv
Air Admittance Valve	○ aav
Gully Trap	□ GT
Rodding Point	○ RP
Inspection Point	○ IP
Exterior Tap	† tap
Meter Board	[Symbol]
Switchboard	[Symbol]

Ground Floor Area 142.81m<sup>2</sup>

All Plumbing and Drainage to comply with New Zealand Building Code and Other Approved Documents Sections G10, G12 and G13.

NOTE: All pipes under slab to be sleeved

NOTE: All fixtures more than 3.5m from gully traps shall be fitted with air admittance valves

40mm Ø waste pipe @ 1:40 fall to all bathroom and ensuite fittings except WC's  
 40mm Ø waste pipe @ 1:30 fall to laundry fittings  
 50mm Ø waste pipe @ 1:40 fall to kitchen fittings  
 WC's to have 100mm Ø waste @ 1:60 fall

**HWC COMPLIANCE**  
 Hot Water Cylinder shall comply with provisions of G12, H1 and NZS 4305: 1996 which is stated in H1 of the NZ Building Code.

**G12 Water Supplies**  
 Relief Valve Drain shall comply with Section 6.7.2 under G12/AS1  
 Vent Pipes shall comply with Section 6.8.2 under G12/AS1  
 Pipes to Tempering Valve also to be Copper.

**H1 Energy Efficiency - NZS4305: 1996**  
 Clause 3.2 Table 5  
 Length of Pipe to Kitchen Sink 10.0m with a 15mm pipe.  
 Other Clauses to comply with 3.5, 3.7 and 3.8

**Tempering Valve to HWC Set at 55°C**

**Downpipe Size Calculation:**  
 No of dp's = 2  
 Roof Plane Area Total = 72.2m<sup>2</sup>  
 Roof Pitch = 10°  
 Area of Roof per dp = 36.1m<sup>2</sup>

As per Table 5 of E1/AS1 Surface Water 63mm Ø dp's are required to service this roof

**Downpipe Size Calculation:**  
 No of dp's = 2  
 Roof Plane Area Total = 112.7m<sup>2</sup>  
 Roof Pitch = 14°  
 Area of Roof per dp = 56.4m<sup>2</sup>

As per Table 5 of E1/AS1 Surface Water 63mm Ø dp's are required to service this roof

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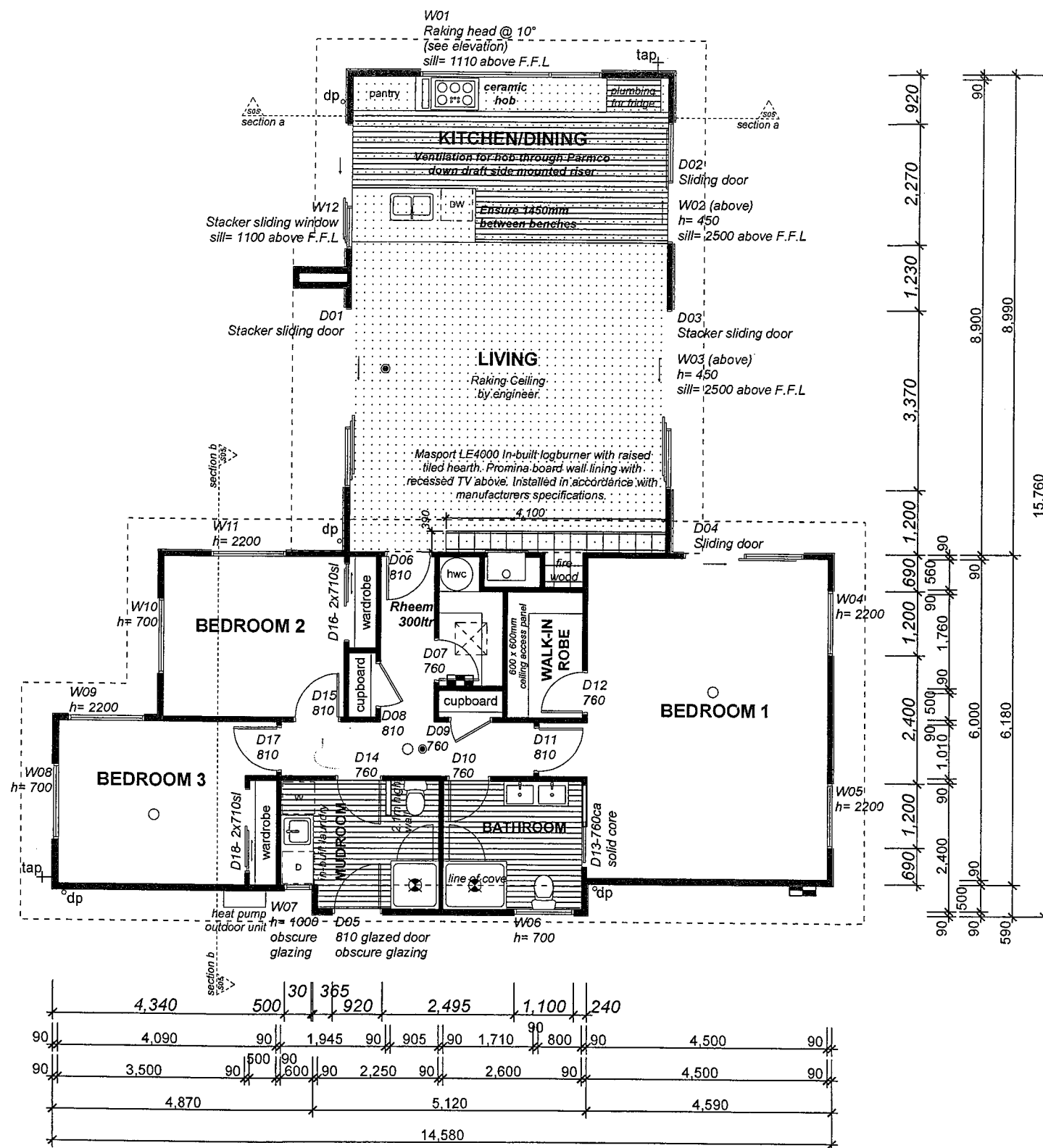
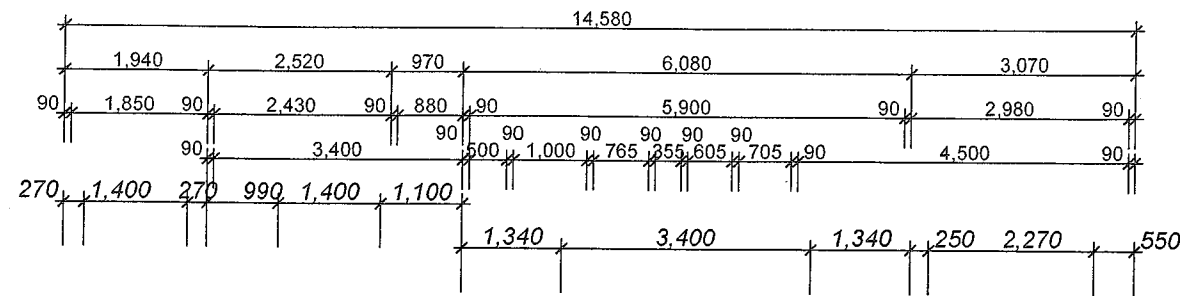
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FRAMING TREATMENTS in accordance with NZS 3602: 2003	
Exterior Framing	H1.2 treated SG 8 Radiata Pine
-Bottom Plate (90 x 45mm)	H1.2 treated SG 6 Radiata Pine
Interior Framing	H1.2 treated SG 6 Radiata Pine
Roof & Purlin Framing	H1.2 treated SG 8 Radiata Pine

Roofing	Colorsteel Longrun Corrugate
Roof Pitch	10° & 14°
Eaves	600mm from timber framing
	740mm from timber framing
	South Bedroom 1 wall

EXTERIOR CLADDINGS James Hardie Linea Weatherboards & James Hardie Axon Panels on cavity batten systems	
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Ground Floor Area	142.73m²
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SHADED AREA INDICATES RAKING CEILING. ALL OTHER AREAS TO HAVE 2420mm HIGH LEVEL CEILING	
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Smoke Detectors with hush button in accordance with F7 of the Building Code	
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Mechanical Ventilation - Securimax HYPER150 High Performance In-Duct Axial Fan - 320m³/hr 89 litres per second - Ducted through to soffit	
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ALUMINIUM JOINERY HEAD HEIGHTS all windows and doors to 2200 RO unless noted otherwise	
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DOUBLE GLAZING TO ALL WINDOWS AND DOORS	
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Grooved jambs to all internal doors Refer to Homeview for opening sizes Return studs required to all openings	
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INSULATION Walls R2.6 fibreglass insulation batts Ceiling R3.6 fibreglass insulation batts	
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All internal doors 1980mm high throughout	
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1200mm Gib Fyrelite behind hob	
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WIND ZONE = HIGH	
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SEA SPRAY ZONE	
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All downlights to be CA 135-IC rated	
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Vinyl wet area flooring to have a CoF = 0.4	
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900x900mm Acrylic Shower Cubicle Mudroom 1200x900mm Acrylic Shower Cubicle Ensuite	
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Ducted heatpump to ceiling vents	
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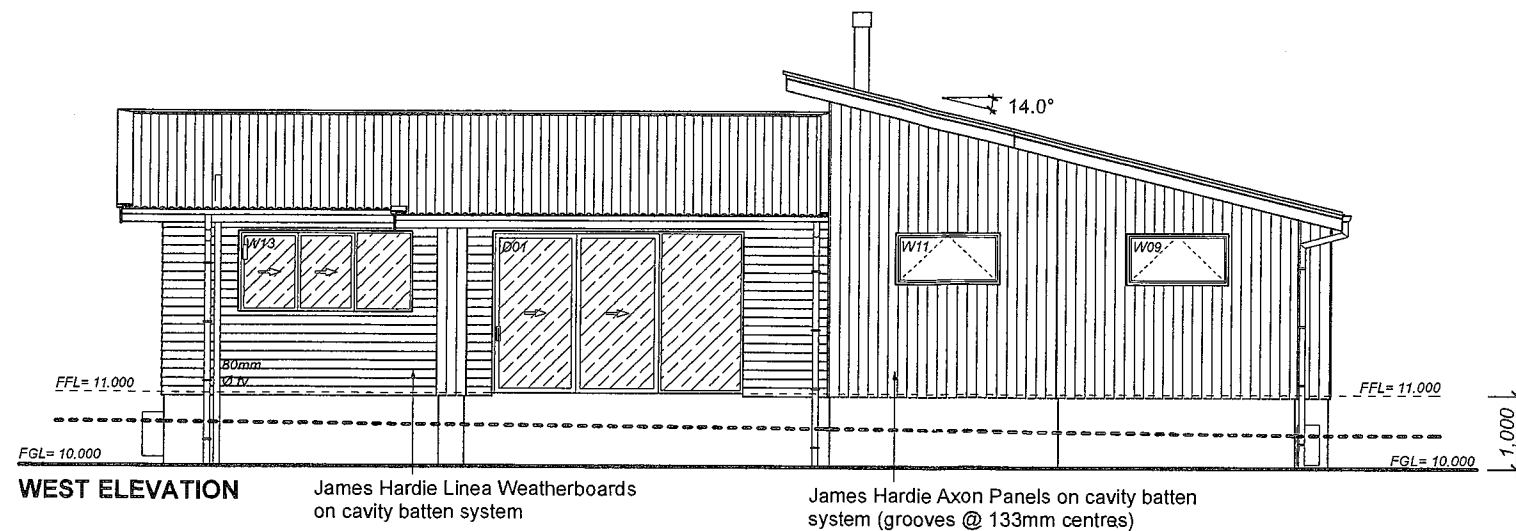
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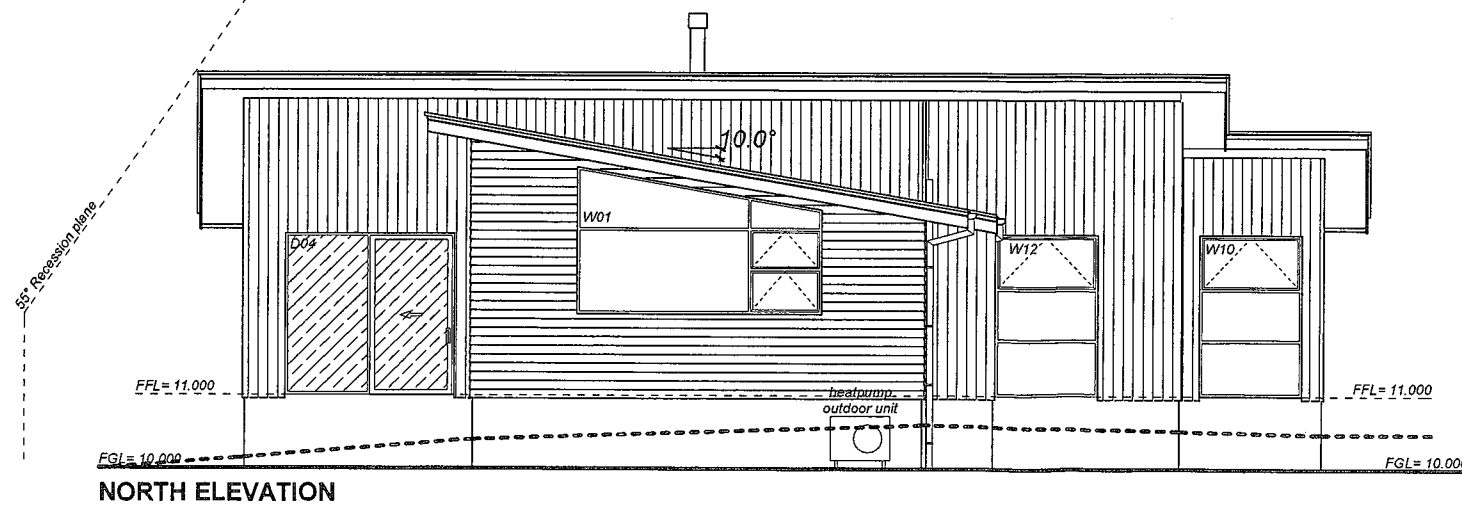
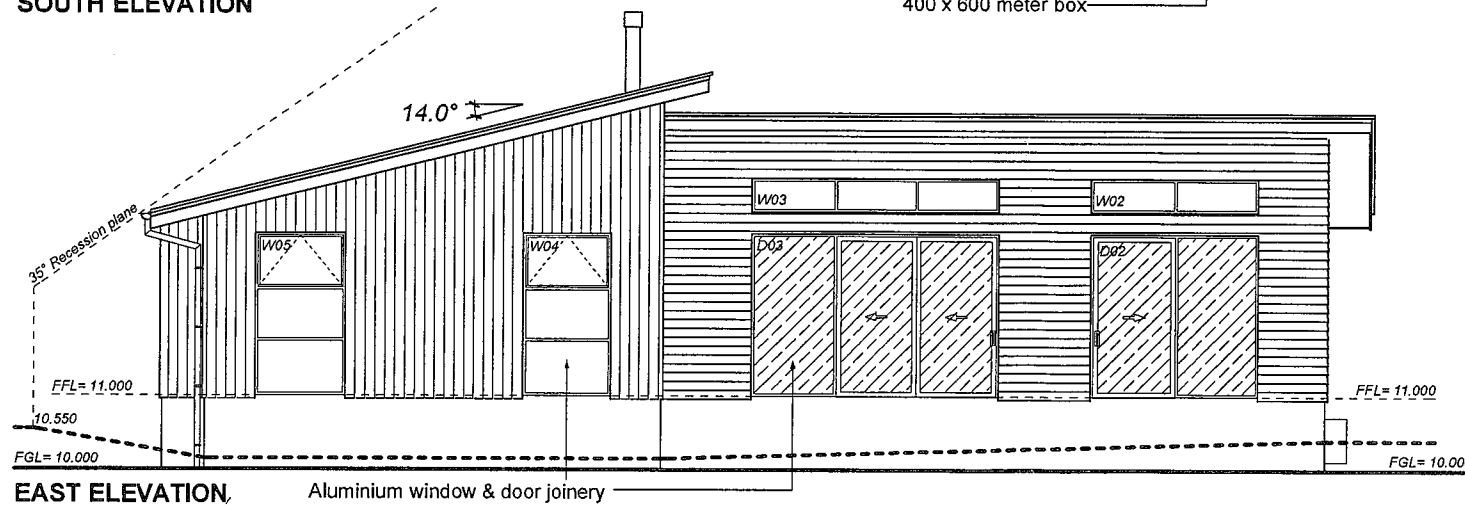
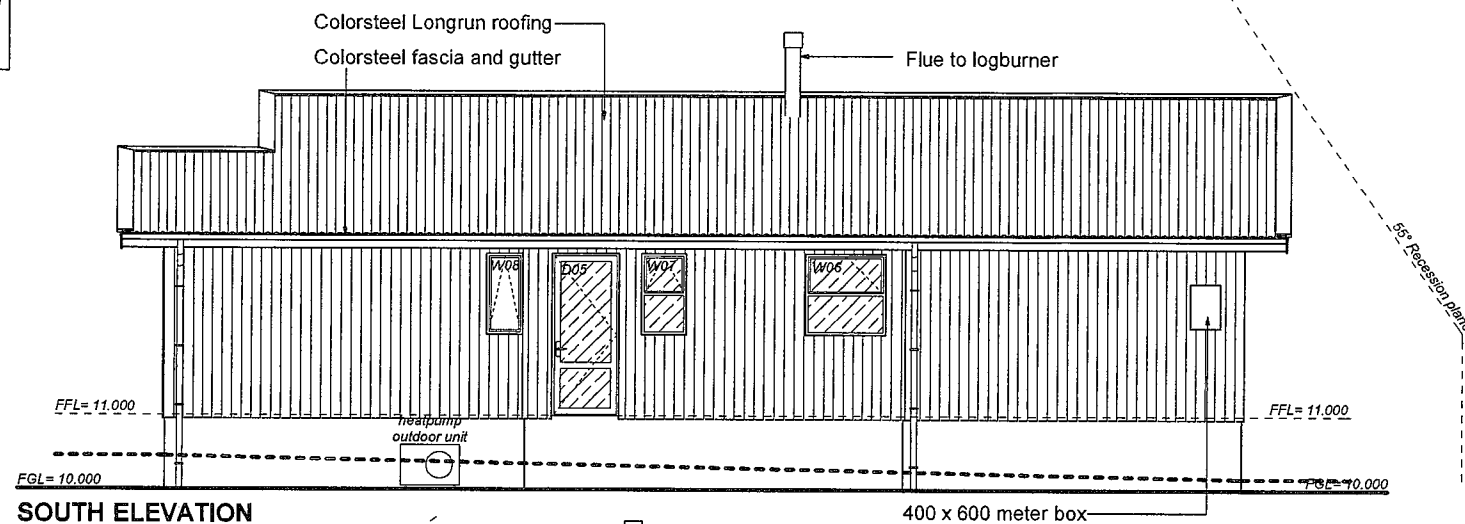


**CONTINUOUS WANZ SUPPORT BARS TO ALL EXTERNAL DOORS & WINDOWS EXCEPT GARAGE SECTIONAL DOOR**

**Safety Glazing as per NZS 4223**

----- Existing Ground Level  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Finished Ground Level

**All entry steps / deck areas to be confirmed onsite - to be installed in accordance with D1 - for slip resistance, & access routes.**



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