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Constructive advice on rebuilds & new builds

Whyte Construction is one of the leading construction companies in Canterbury. They have a great deal of empathy with Christchurch homeowners who have been through untold stresses and difficulties over the past three years and they want to do what they can to help rebuild people's homes.

Whyte Construction is therefore working with the major insurance companies –VERO, AMI and Lumley - on over-cap level residential repairs and new builds. Homeowners in this category have the right to nominate Whyte Construction as their preferred builder. Whyte Construction can then co-ordinate the whole process of the repair or rebuild through architectural designers and engineers – from concept plan to working drawings, to the council consent process and the completion of the work. The designs, plans and the work will be managed within the financial envelope agreed between the insurance company and the homeowner. A homeowner may also choose to employ their own architect and use Whyte Construction for the build only.



"We have an established and credible history as Licensed Building Practitioners," says Dave Whyte, Managing Director of Whyte Construction. "That's extremely important for people to know when they're selecting a builder for their project, especially at a time in Canterbury when some untested building practitioners are trying to take advantage of earthquake rebuild work."

Whyte Construction has an enviable reputation for its skill and experience in building on the tricky hillside suburbs – locations that require flexibility of design and construction and which are rarely suitable for standard house plans and building techniques. Earthquake-affected homeowners undertaking new builds or repairs in these areas can be assured that Whyte Construction will apply engineering as well as building expertise to a new home's design or to a repair solution. This is certain to give people peace of mind that the design or repair solution will be robust and earthquake resistant.

"Bring any building issue to us and we will find a solution. We embrace the latest technologies, materials and building techniques," says Rick Jones, General Manager.

Rick adds that Whyte Construction is aware that many homeowners have been waiting for a long time to reach settlements with their insurance companies, but he has some practical advice for people in this situation. "My advice is to work with your insurance company to find an equitable solution, rather than being at loggerheads with them. There's no doubt that people's patience does wear thin as time drags on, but dig deep and try to find a bit more – the process will go better for it."

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