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at the forefront of repairs and rebuilds around the city. "To ensure we are helping Cantabrians out in the best way we can, it is imperative that we are embracing the latest building materials, techniques and technology." In this respect Whyte Construction are well-aware that the damage caused during the earthquakes by heavy cladding has triggered a change in focus towards features such as lightweight cladding and roofing, with improved durability and seismic resistance. "It is important that people are rebuilding in the safest and best possible way," comments Rick. "So it is essential that clients' needs and budgets are applied to our knowledge to ensure this happens." With repairs and rebuilds in hill suburbs and on TC3 land requiring a real depth of building knowledge and expert consultant resource, selecting a designer and builder who is experienced is an essential component for peace of mind.

The most essential piece of advice to those of us out there facing a rebuild is patience. "Work with your insurance company rather than fighting them" Rick advises. "Be patient with them and prevent yourself from ending up at the bottom of the pile. Utilise companies like Whyte Construction; we can provide advice on where to start and where to go – getting you back into your home faster." ■

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With family values and a strong understanding of the local environment at the centre of everything they do - Whyte Construction have long been at the forefront of the building industry in Christchurch. We find out what makes them special.

Talking to the team at Whyte Construction it is hard not to get caught up in their enthusiasm and passion for Christchurch. For over 17 years this family owned and operated business have been involved within the local construction industry, earning them an enviable reputation for consistent client satisfaction. "We have an established and credible history as licensed builders, and we're known for our quality assurance," says Managing Director, Dave Whyte. "Which is an extremely important criterion for people to know when they are selecting a builder for their project, especially at a time in Canterbury when some are trying to take advantage of earthquake recovery work."

An added safeguard and reassurance is the fact that Whyte Construction is a member of the Certified Builders' Association – offering fully guaranteed building services on new commercial and residential builds, in both architectural and standard designs. "This ensures complete peace of mind for our clients," comments Dave.

For General Manager Rick Jones however, what makes them stand out from the crowd is simple: "We care about what we do, and who we are doing it for," he states. "Plus we love a challenge – so you can bring any building issue to us and we will find a solution." Working closely with design companies, Whyte Construction are able to offer a full design and build service – involving

not only architectural designers but engineering expertise as well – ensuring they can tackle any building site.

Working across all sectors of the building industry – residential and commercial, repairs and new builds – has meant Whyte Construction have been involved in some of Christchurch's 'iconic' shopping destinations such as Riccarton's Westfield Shopping Centre and Merivale Mall, as well as a number of commercial warehouses and shops. "We describe ourselves as specialist builders, with the skills and experience to complete quality projects across all sectors of the building industry."

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