

Homeowner planning guide

More space. Same place you love.

A guide to home extensions
and internal renovations.



A home that works for your family.

Should you extend into the garden, add another level or make your existing rooms work harder? Start with what your home needs next.



Ground-floor extensions

Add living space, bedrooms or a main suite, connected to your existing house and garden.

Think about

The backyard you want to retain, daylight, access for building work and the connection between old and new.

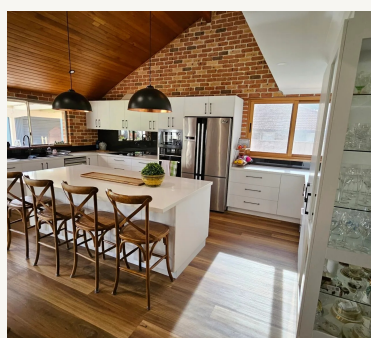


First-floor additions

Create room above your existing footprint for growing children, a parents' retreat or another living area.

Think about

Stairs, privacy, the relationship between levels and the existing structure. Structural capacity needs assessment.



Internal renovations

Rethink the layout across your home, bringing living areas, kitchens, bedrooms and everyday spaces together.

Think about

Movement between rooms, storage, daylight and the effect of moving walls or services. Could your existing footprint provide the space?

These approaches can work together. A ground-floor extension may also need internal changes so the whole home flows well.

With plans or without, there's a place to start.

You don't need every answer before getting in touch. Use these prompts to prepare a useful brief for your first conversation.

Your scope and priorities

List what needs to change, what you want to retain and the rooms your family will need next.

Your budget and funding

Set a working range including GST. If finance is needed, speak with your lender before committing to a scope.

Your site and access

Consider slope, trees, access and existing services. Site conditions and structural capacity need assessment.

Your plans and approvals

Gather drawings and approval documents. DA consent alone does not mean construction can begin.

Where are your plans up to?

☐ Exploring ideas

☐ Plans ready

☐ Plans being developed

☐ Approvals in place

Let's talk about your home.

Bring your suburb, priorities, working budget and preferred timing. With plans ready or still to come, we can discuss the right next step for your home.

[Discuss my project](#)

Design, engineering, approvals and timing depend on your property and scope. Approval guidance: NSW Government - Building or renovating a home.