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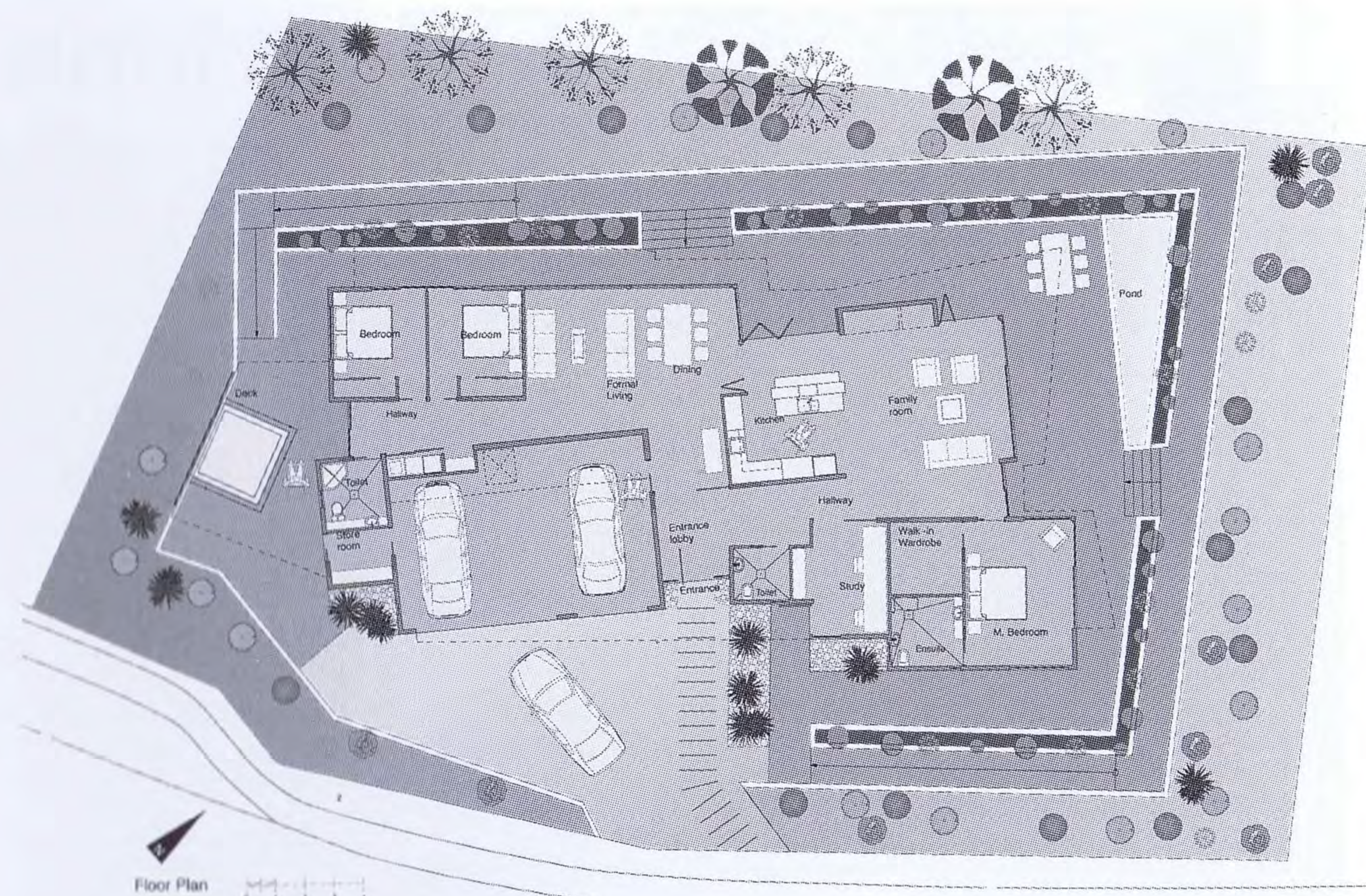
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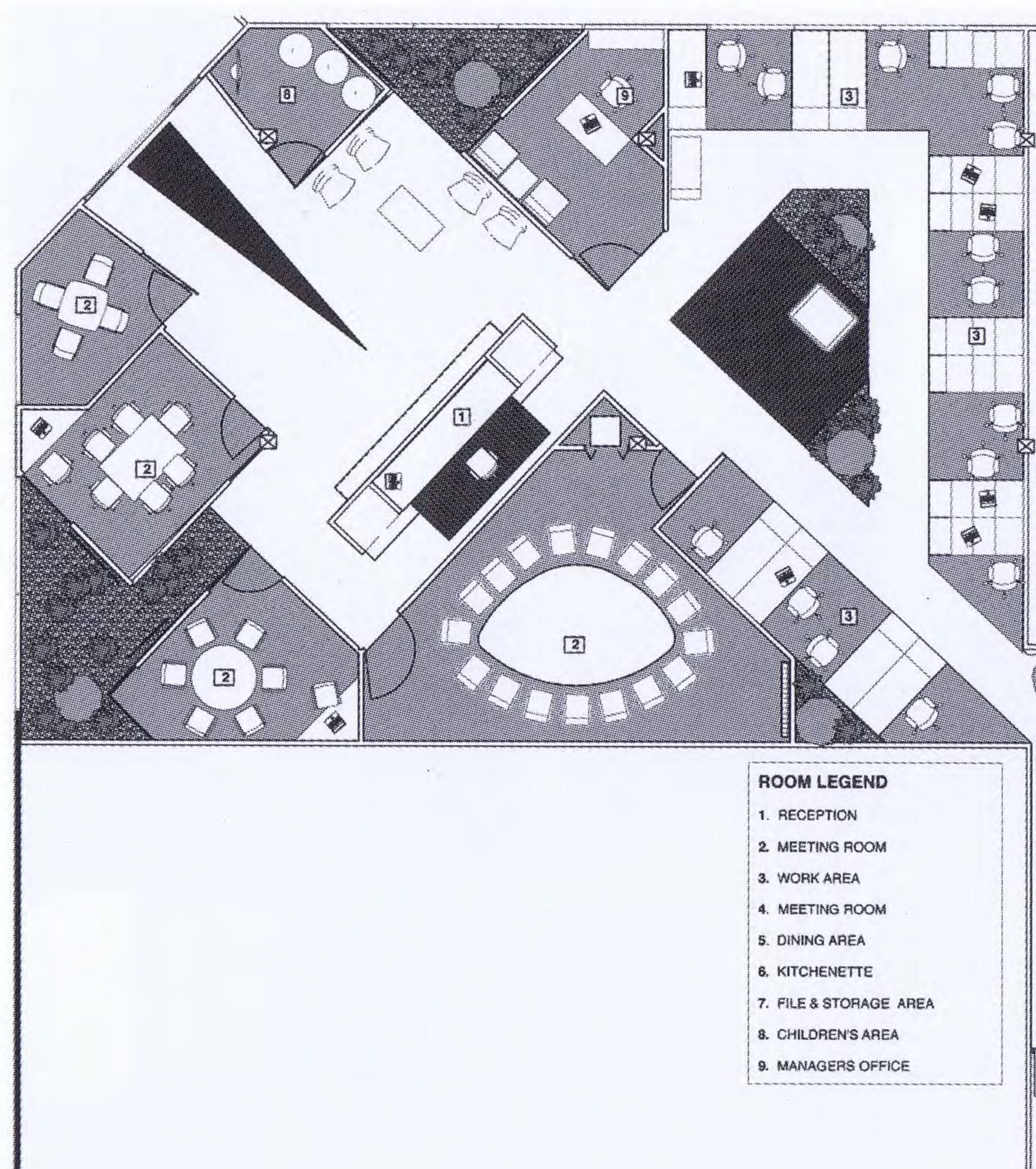
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PROJECT: **Blundell Residence**
LOCATION: **Silverstream**

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The initial client brief had explicit requirements (particularly relevant for a person in wheelchair). Spatial requirements were conventional, but the project required much more exploration in order to accommodate a new residence, without compromising the quality of interior or exterior spaces: "Design residence without internal/external boundaries and obstructions" – to be comfortable, safe and easy accessible and that can adopt to the changing needs of family. Outdoor living is very important and has to provide opportunity for exercise, gardening and entertaining etc. Architect has "free hand" from client to come up with the most appropriate solutions to fit architectural composition, requirements and budget. Through design maximise usage of sun and "passive" solar energy and include under floor heating, solar panels, double glazing, the best thermal insulation etc. Merging spaces creates a feeling and impression of openness and spacious, but "hidden" pocket sliding walls/doors provide spatial flexibility.





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PROJECT: Real Estate Interior Office Fitout

LOCATION: Johnsonville

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Professionals Double Real Estate's Johnsonville office needed new premises. The site was a 400m² "shell" in a new building. Access is from two sides (ground level – steps or lift, second level – main entry/wheelchair access). The office had to house 15–20 people. Serious consideration was given to the first impression for clients. The design produced an interesting composition of materials and finishes to create, within budget, a contemporary, dynamic feel to the working environment. The interior has been handled intelligently, giving the interior presence and strength. Colours are natural "earthy-green", subdued to contrast dynamic spaces. Furniture is simple and practical. Staff and clients move easily through the office. The open-plan workspaces allow potential clients to see agents in action. The central cafe (with plants and river stones) gives a relaxed feeling to the entire interior.

MICROWAVE, above
DISHWASHER, below
White, Fisher & Paykel
double dist drawer

