

# TINY HOUSE BUILDERS

## NEWSLETTER



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#### THERMAL BREAK

See our build methodology and why it benefits you and your Tiny home!

#### THE 3 L's

Let us help you navigate through the importance of Lending, Land and the Legalities of a Tiny Home.

#### DOES SIZE MATTER?!

When considering your Tiny home size, there's more to think about, than just space in your home.

# *Message from the Director*



As we find ourselves on the home stretch to Christmas, our team are hard at work embracing the season of deliveries to our awesome clients.

We take immense pride in every delivery, as each one represents a home ready to be filled with aspirations, and memories. The smiles on our clients' faces as they step into their new Tiny fuels our passion to keep delivering excellence.

As we look ahead, we are already planning for the flurry of activity that comes with the pre-Christmas rush. We understand the importance of families spending the holiday season in their new homes, and we are dedicated to making this dream a reality for as many clients as possible.

Beyond the immediate season of deliveries, we have our sights set on a future filled with innovation and inclusivity.

Our Vision for the Future: Accessible Dwellings and Kaumātua-Designed Tiny's.

We're passionate about making Tiny homeownership accessible to everyone, and we're thrilled to share that we are actively working on the development of accessible dwellings.

These homes will be designed to meet the unique needs of individuals with various abilities, ensuring that everyone has a safe and comfortable place to call their own.

Additionally, we're proud to announce our vision to designing Tiny's to support multigenerational living within our communities.

Stay tuned for more updates, and remember, at Tiny House Builders, we're not just building homes; we're building dreams.

Rebecca McLean



## THE 3 L'S

# Legal, Land and Lending + Insurance

Tiny homes have captured the hearts and imaginations of many seeking a simpler, more sustainable way of living. Their charm lies in their compact size and minimalist design, but diving into the world of tiny homes requires more than just downsizing your belongings. It involves understanding the three critical aspects: Legal, Land, and Lending + insurance! Our recent Open Day hosted three distinguished speakers, helping shed light on these essential topics.

**Amy Airey**

**Tiny House Landshare**

**Landshare and Land Leasing**

Amy represented Landshare, an online platform, which encompasses one vital point of Tiny Living - Land! Finding the perfect spot to park your tiny home can be a challenging endeavor. Amy discussed the process of land leasing and how to source suitable land for your Tiny House on Wheels. Landshare.nz is a great tool in land acquisition and will help connect Tiny House owners looking for land and land owners with land available to lease..

**Ben Rickard**

**Builtin Insurance**

**Insuring Your Tiny Home**

Ben, a representative of Builtin Insurance, specialises in insuring tiny homes during delivery and once sited. Whether you're towing your tiny home across the country or settling it in your dream location, understanding the nuances of insurance is crucial. We recommend contacting your insurer (or look up Ben) prior to moving your Tiny ensuring that your investment is protected every step of the way.

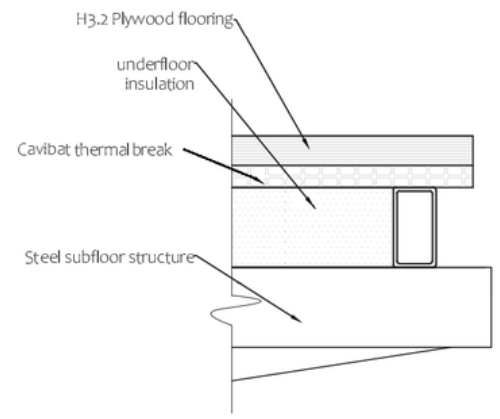
**Rebecca McLean**

**Tiny House Builders Ltd**

**Legalities and Regulations & Lending**

Besides being at the helm of Tiny House Builders, Rebecca is currently Chairperson of the NZ Tiny House Association and an industry expert when it comes to navigating the legalities of tiny homes in the context of local councils and legislation. From district plans to building permits, she is a wealth of knowledge to ensure your tiny home complies with the necessary regulations. Following her guidance will empower you with confidence and peace of mind.

## THERMAL BREAK



# Tiny House Builders Methodology..

We are committed to delivering the highest quality tiny homes that not only provide exceptional comfort but also stand the test of time. We take immense pride in our construction methodology and one of the key elements that sets us apart is the integration of thermal breaks into our building process.

### What Are Thermal Breaks?

Thermal breaks are a fundamental part of our construction philosophy. They are strategically placed materials designed to interrupt the flow of hot and cold between two conductive materials. In simple terms, they act as barriers to heat transfer, keeping your tiny home warm during cold winters and cool during hot summers.

### Moisture Control

Our thermal breaks also serve as moisture control mechanisms. Condensation can be a significant concern in small living spaces. Without proper moisture management, it can lead to mold and structural damage over time. Our thermal breaks not only insulate but also prevent condensation damage to the materials inside the building structure.

Some aspects of quality are not immediately visible, but they play a crucial role in the overall performance and longevity of your tiny home. Our dedication to integrating thermal breaks into our construction methodology ensures that your tiny house is well-insulated, moisture-resistant, and built to last.

We understand that quality goes beyond what meets the eye. Our commitment to our clients is reflected in every aspect of our construction, including the unseen elements like thermal breaks. We believe in delivering not just a place to live, but a sanctuary that promotes your comfort and security.

### Improved Insulation

The primary function of thermal breaks is to enhance insulation. From the floors to the ceilings, our thermal break system ensures that your tiny home retains heat efficiently. By preventing heat loss in the winter, and over heating in the summer, you'll be comfortable in your tiny house year-round.

### Longevity Guaranteed

One of the most significant advantages of our thermal break system is the improved longevity it offers to your tiny home. By preventing heat-related stress and moisture damage, your investment will remain in excellent condition for years to come. We believe that your tiny home should be a lasting asset, and our construction methods are designed to ensure just that.

# — *Does Size Matter?* —

Ever wonder why we don't build bigger than 10.5m x 3m?

Wondering about what size Tiny home you want? Bigger the better... right? Not necessarily...

Tiny Homes on Wheels (THOW) built within the guidelines, are classed as a vehicle - which works perfectly for owners who don't own the land they reside on. To remain within the VTNZ guidelines, we build our homes to a maximum 3m wide (= 3.1m with gutter/lights etc.) therefore only requiring oversize flags, and 10.5m long (to allow 1.5-2m for the drawbar) as the maximum light simple trailer length is 12.5m.

Building to this size not only allows for manoeuvrability on difficult sites, but also eliminates the need for pilot vehicles during transportation, reducing transportation costs.

Additional considerations, such as travel time restrictions, route surveys and the possible requirement of over size permits to relocate your tiny house can all be avoided by not going too big!

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SIMPLE TRAILERS](#)

Our builds are also customisable to suit each clients needs. We use locally designed manufactured, warranted and registered trailers, which can tow a matching Tiny Pod, if you're after additional space!

Being well-informed about these guidelines ensures you can enjoy hassle-free and legally compliant journeys, all while prioritising safety and adherence to Council and transportation regulations.

## *Testimonial*

Tarsha Grayling



"Choosing tiny living was driven by my aspiration for a simpler life. The decision was further solidified by the impressive reputation of Tiny House Builders, which ensured the design aligned seamlessly with my surroundings and matched existing aesthetic. Living in my tiny house has exceeded my expectations. The positive impact on my daily life is immeasurable. Challenges like clutter and limited space were easily overcome, and the abundant storage and customisable design have been invaluable.

Tarsha says: "I wholeheartedly recommend tiny living, especially due to the remarkable work of the building team. Sharing my journey with friends and family has inspired them, and I owe this wonderful transformation to the exceptional vision and execution of Tiny House Builders"

The heart of our Business...

### Meet the Staff

*Joe*



Meet Joe, a versatile builder at Tiny House Builders, with 20 years building experience, expert engineer by trade and 40+ years in woodworking. He is our true jack of all trades staff member.

Joe's multifaceted role as a builder also encompasses a flooring specialist, tiler and painter. We are proud that our Tiny Homes are showcasing his exceptional craftsmanship.

Beyond construction, he's an avid gardener, exceptional wood turner and outdoor enthusiast. He places a high value on keeping his wife happy, (we had to say that, Pam works here too! haha) demonstrating the same dedication to his personal life as he does to his work at Tiny House Builders.

Joe is more than just a builder; he's a well-rounded, contented, dedicated professional.

## *Christmas Preparation*

Tiny house living offers a unique blend of simplicity and charm, perfect for embracing the seasons. Here's how to prepare your tiny home for Christmas, making the most of your compact space.

### **Homemade Holiday Touch**

Add a personal touch to your tiny home's holiday decor by crafting homemade ornaments, garlands, and other decorations that suit your unique style. A great way for kids and grand-children to participate

### **Festive Lighting**

LED string lights are not only energy-efficient, they also provide a warm and festive glow, transforming your tiny space into a Christmas wonderland. You can be as creative as you please, even creating a tree shape on the wall.

### **Wall Magic**

Utilise wall space for hanging wreaths and stockings to create a cosy holiday atmosphere without taking up precious floor space. Let your imagination run wild.

Tiny house living lets you enjoy the best of both summer and Christmas. Keep it simple, get creative, and adapt your space for every season, creating unforgettable memories in your cozy abode.

# — *Hosting our Community Business After Five* —



# — *Dyers' Kowhai Build* —



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