

# TINY HOUSE BUILDERS

## NEWSLETTER



### IN THIS EDITION:

#### TINY HOUSE MASTERY

Our affiliate company Tiny House Mastery are gearing up to produce some awesome Tiny House online training!

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Here's a list of frequently asked questions that we come across regularly to share with you.

#### Tiny Pod's - aka Sleepout

MBIE have produced a guidance document for Constructing a sleepout that does not require building consent. See more...

— *Message from* —  
*the Director*

Happy New Year to all of you! I hope this message finds you in good spirits and that the holiday season brought joy and relaxation.

We're delighted to share some awesome news: Our team worked tirelessly to ensure our builds were completed ahead of schedule, allowing us to close the factory for an extended three-week break over Christmas – a first for us! The result? A rejuvenated team, ready to embark on exciting projects in 2024.

In case you missed it, we proudly displayed our 2-bed Tiny Pod at Waihi Beach during the summer. The response was overwhelming, with many expressing interest through bookings for factory tours and client visits. The response serves as motivation for us to continue delivering exceptional quality and innovative designs.

Looking ahead to February, we have a unique opportunity for you to experience the Tiny lifestyle firsthand. Our amazing client, Heidi, will be opening her home to those keen on further exploring the possibilities of tiny living.



More details about this exclusive event can be found below, and we encourage you to take advantage of this chance to witness the magic of our designs in a real-world setting.

As we navigate the housing market, we've noticed a continued demand for alternative living solutions, especially among retirees, empty nesters, and divorcees. The Tiny lifestyle has emerged as the perfect solution for those seeking a sustainable and efficient way of living.

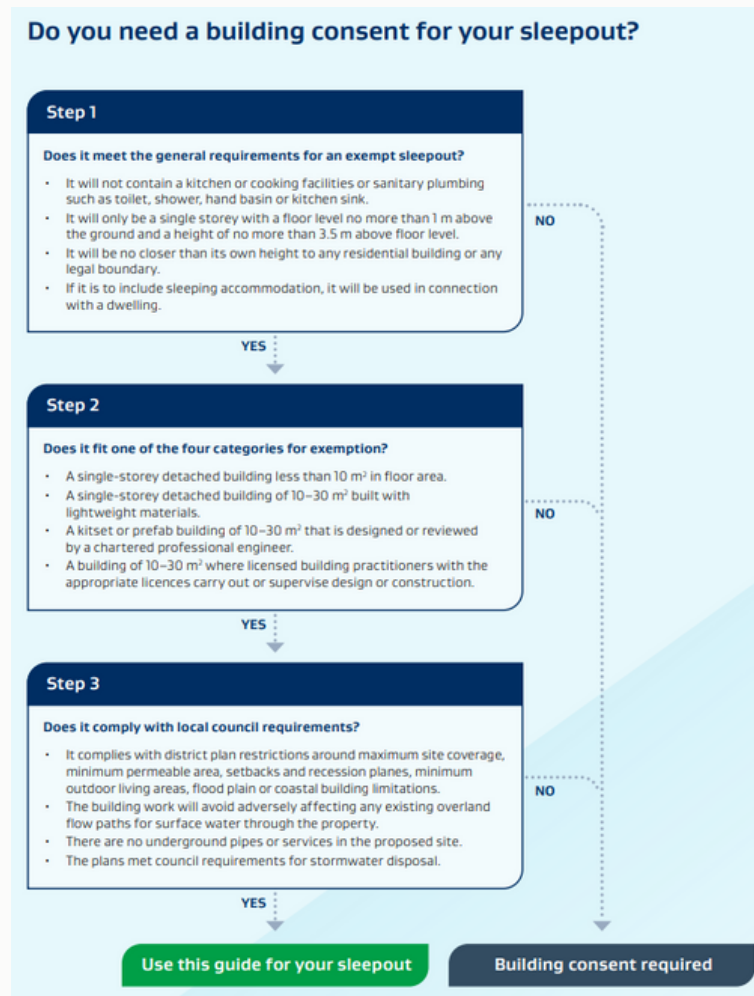
In the coming months, we're excited to build on the momentum generated by our successful pre-Christmas builds and the positive reception of our Tiny Pod. We remain committed to providing you with outstanding solutions that redefine modern living.

Rebecca McLean

# Wanting to add a non-consented Tiny Pod/Sleepout...

We are seeing a big surge in people wanting to add a Tiny Pod / Sleepout to their existing Tiny house, or just to their existing house. Although this can be done without a Building Consent, there are some things to consider.

MBIE just released a guidance document, so if you've got time to read the 153 pages... here's the link: [here](#) If not... Read pages 11-16 and flick down to the table on page 24:



### Tiny Pod with an ensuite:

This will require a building consent, as it has plumbing, (unless it's on a trailer and you're allowed an additional 'dwelling' on the property...) you will also need to check with Council that you are allowed to position it where you intend, as there are planning rules to consider.



## TINY HOUSE MASTERY

# Your Path to Downsizing and Simplifying with Expert Guidance

Are you captivated by the idea of downsizing, simplifying your life, and living in a beautiful Tiny House? If so, you're not alone. The Tiny House movement has been gaining momentum worldwide, offering a unique and sustainable way of living. If you're ready to turn your dream of a Tiny House into a fulfilling reality, "Tiny House Mastery" courses might be just what you need.

Rebecca, the brains and passion behind Tiny House Mastery, brings a wealth of experience and expertise to the world of Tiny House living. With a portfolio of over 50 Tiny Homes manufactured here in New Zealand, including several award-winning homes, she is a designer with an eye for beauty and functionality. Her background as an interior and kitchen designer, coupled with her upbringing as the daughter of a builder, has honed her skills to help you create the Tiny House of your dreams.

Rebecca's dedication to the Tiny House Community is like no other. Currently serving as the Chairperson of the New Zealand Tiny House Association (NZTHA), she is committed to helping enthusiasts like you succeed in their Tiny House endeavors. Her passion for Tiny Houses goes beyond her professional work; it's a lifestyle that she lives and breathes.

Embrace Your Tiny House Dream and join Rebecca's "Tiny House Mastery" courses. They are designed to empower you with the knowledge, skills, and inspiration you need to embrace the Tiny House lifestyle. Whether you envision a compact, mobile dwelling or a cozy and sustainable retreat, Rebecca's expertise will guide you on your path to downsizing and simplifying.

Join Rebecca on this exciting journey and turn your Tiny House dream into a vibrant reality.

Check out the website for more: [www.tinyhousemastery.com](http://www.tinyhousemastery.com)

or Follow on Social Media:



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# — *Auckland Open Home* —

Want to come and see Heidi's home???

We are thrilled to extend a special invitation to all of you for a unique and exclusive event in February – an open home hosted by our incredible client, Heidi! This is a fantastic opportunity to get up close and personal with the Tiny lifestyle and witness the magic of our designs in action.

To ensure we can accommodate everyone comfortably, please RSVP by contacting us!

Spaces are limited, so don't miss out on this exclusive opportunity!

We look forward to seeing you at Heidi's open home, where the Tiny lifestyle comes to life! It's an event not to be missed, and we can't wait to share this experience with our wonderful community.



**SATURDAY, 10TH FEB 2024  
HUNUA, AUCKLAND**

## — *Testimonial* —

**Heidi Mayson**



*"Becoming an empty nester and aspiring to own a home, I found trust and confidence in Rebecca from our very first video call. Now, two years into my journey as a Tiny Homeowner, I've realised that 'Having less, has given me so much more'.*

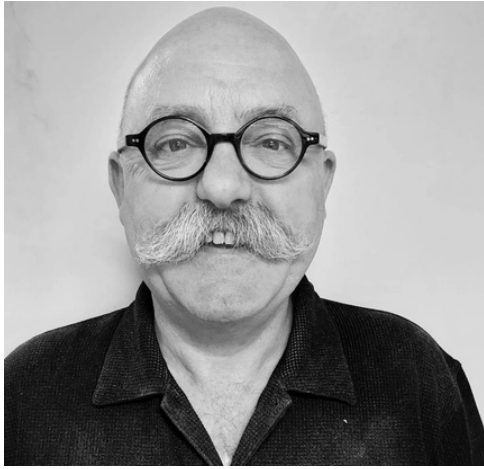
*This experience has been truly cathartic, and my message to fellow empty nesters is simple: Just do it, without regrets or hesitation. I discovered that Tiny House Builders perfectly aligned with my needs, and I strongly advise walking through the homes to get a feel for the space and how it flows.*

*Tiny House Builders attention to detail is not like any other and their weekly progress photos were a delightful addition to my journey. My home is an invaluable investment and a dream come true."*

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The heart of our Business...

## Meet the Staff



*Tony*

In this edition, we are excited to introduce you to a vital member of our team – Tony, our very own Cabinetry Extraordinaire! Tony brings a wealth of expertise to the Tiny House Builders family, holding a qualification as a skilled Cabinetmaker. Prior to joining us, he served as a Master Joiner at Cromptons Joinery in Taupo, showcasing his exceptional skills and craftsmanship.

Tony's dedication to his craft is evident in every project he takes on. Whether it's crafting intricate details for our innovative designs or ensuring the highest quality in every piece of cabinetry, Tony's passion for his work shines through.

## *Frequently asked questions*

### **How do I know the Tiny house building company is reputable?**

To determine if a company is reputable, look for indicators like positive customer reviews, industry certifications, a history of reliable service, transparent business practices, and recognition from trusted organizations or associations.

### **Where can I park or place my tiny home?**

Finding a location to park or place your tiny home can be challenging, and often is the bit that keeps people from moving forward... We have never seen a client stuck without a parking option, so we recommend moving forward and the land will come!

### **Do I need a building consent for a tiny home?**

Generally, no. However, regulations differ based on whether the tiny home is on wheels (considered a trailer) or a permanent structure. Depending on the location of your tiny home, you may need to obtain a Resource Consent. Call us for more info!

### **What are the options for off-grid living in a tiny home?**

Understanding off-grid options, such as solar power, rainwater harvesting, and composting toilets, can be crucial for those looking to live off traditional utility systems. We have a great Toilet Options email if you'd like more with links to suppliers and resources.

### **Are tiny homes legal in New Zealand?**

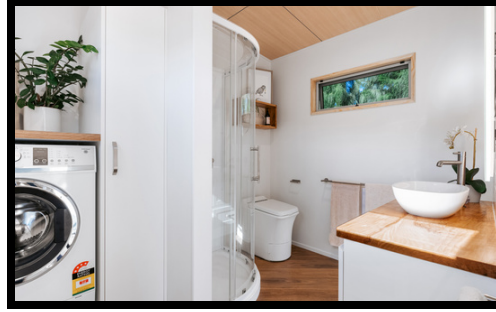
Tiny homes are legal in New Zealand, if done correctly. Planning regulations vary across different councils, so it's essential to check local zoning before setting up a tiny home. We have successfully helped many clients so yell out if you need.

### **How much does a Tiny Home cost?**

We build to order and custom design to suit each client's style, needs and we work together on their budget

Generally our builds range from \$180k to \$250k & our pods start at \$60k.

## Bathroom Inspiration



## Kitchen Inspiration



Let us help build your Dream Tiny Home

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