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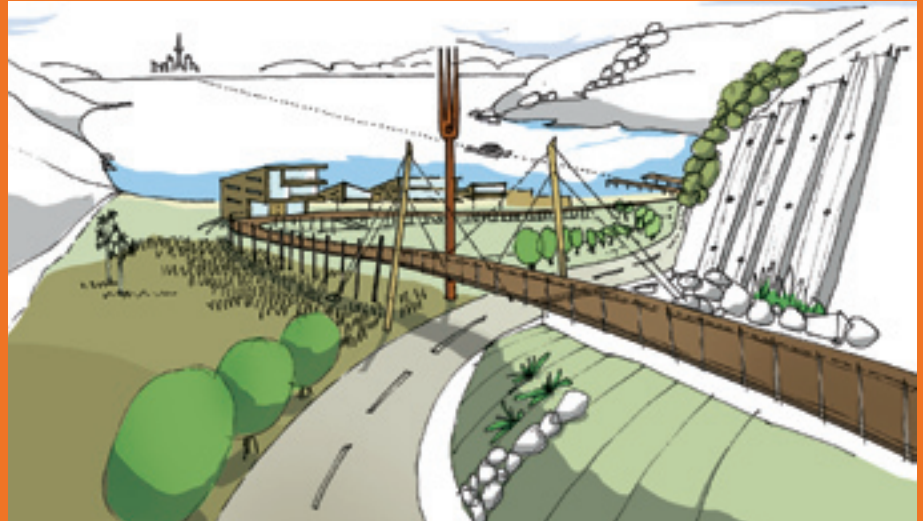
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MATIATIA, WAIHEKE – LIGHTNESS OF TOUCH

ASC Architects has been selected as a finalist in the Auckland City Council Development competition for Matiatia Bay on Waiheke Island. This spot has been the subject of large development proposals in the past, but the Council is seeking new concepts that recognise the island's unique environment and take into account the protected wetlands alongside Matiatia Bay.

Our design touches lightly on the landscape. Central to our proposal is the idea of extending the wharf back onto dry land as a boardwalk, connecting the jetty with retail and a hotel and eventually reaching up to Oneroa village. Natural materials such as robust timber and stone promote eco-sustainability and ensure the scheme blends with the site.



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SHELLY BMW AND MINI CENTRE

The opening of Wellington's state-of-the-art Shelly BMW and MINI centre in July 2006 set a new benchmark for New Zealand car dealerships. Extensive glazing across the front of the showroom allows natural light to penetrate deep into the space. This limits the need for artificial lighting and makes the building very energy efficient.

Inside the showroom, two clearly designated spaces ensure distinct and dynamic brand experiences for both BMW and MINI customers. A friendly, inviting atmosphere encourages customers to enjoy a cup of coffee, browse the lifestyle accessories on offer, and take in the new car models in a relaxing setting.



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CONGRATULATIONS

ASC Architects is delighted to announce the addition of new associate Mahendra Daji to the management team. Mahendra joined the firm in 2001 and has worked closely with many of its corporate, commercial and institutional clients. The current associates are now: Trevor Millen, Biba Boban, Kevin Sanderson and Mahendra Daji.



KILBRYDE OF PARNELL

The Kilbryde residential development at 104–106 Gladstone Road, Parnell, Auckland, was completed last year and was this year's winner of the Commercial Design Trends apartment award. The four spacious townhouses, 12 apartments and four luxury villas were designed by ASC Architects in conjunction with Auckland-based Designgroup practice Crosson Clarke Carnahan Architects, and built by Good Brothers.

All homes sit respectfully in their surroundings and take full advantage of their outlook over the Parnell Rose Gardens and the harbour. They feature generous outdoor living, complemented by top-quality interiors.



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TALBOT PARK – HOUSING NEW ZEALAND

Talbot Park is a large, medium-density Housing New Zealand redevelopment currently nearing completion in Glen Innes, Auckland. ASC Architects, as a member of Designgroup, was commissioned to design eight terrace homes as part of the project.

The three-bedroom houses provide a well-defined and active edge for the new street, with the units stepped in pairs to articulate their façades. Orientated east and west to maximise solar gain and provide natural cross-ventilation, their living areas open onto both front and rear courtyards. Carports and visitor parking are offered at the rear.



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