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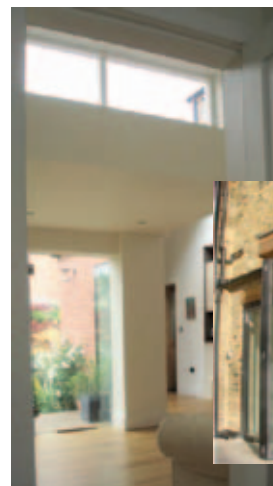
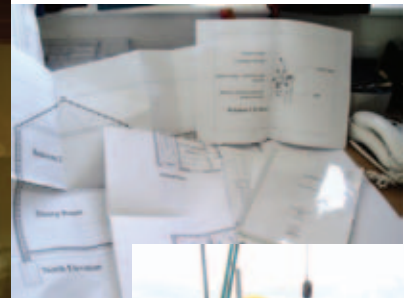
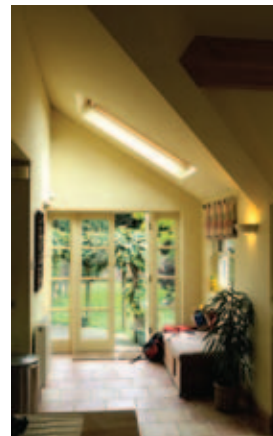
USE AN ASBA ARCHITECT

10 reasons

INFORMATION FOR SELF-BUILDERS

► Ten reasons to use an ASBA architect for your project

1. ASBA Practices have decades of experience of working on 1,000 of projects just like yours.
2. ASBA Practices are run and mostly staffed by fully qualified chartered architects. They can use the title 'architects' because they are registered with the Architects Registration Board and have completed the required 7 year training course. 'Architectural Designers' and those with similar titles have a lot less training, or may even be completely unqualified and unregulated.
3. ASBA Architects are very experienced with working with clients unfamiliar with the design and construction process and are able to clearly explain each step.
4. ASBA Architects never accept the 'commissions' or inducements that are sometimes offered to specifiers by builders and suppliers and used by some designers to offset their low fees.
5. As architects we are able to produce the best possible design for your money. Our extensive knowledge of building construction and detailing ensures that our designs are practical and buildable. We work out the cost of construction at planning stage.
6. A professionally prepared set of drawings is essential to get reliable, accurate prices from builders. If a less detailed tender package is prepared you will not get genuine fixed price tenders and the builders will increase the cost after building work has started.
7. We have access to a large network of trusted local builders whom we can put forward for the work. We remain totally independent from them and can offer impartial advice on their selection.
8. We provide clear detailed quotations that allow for all the necessary work, along with fully explained terms and conditions.
9. ASBA Architects fees are very competitive, being based on hourly rates of £60 - £80 plus VAT.
10. Like all architects, we offer a 'pay as you go' service and offer a full range of options to suit your needs and budget, from initial feasibility work through to managing the building contract on site.



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