

# **Satipanya Buddhist Retreat**

## **Reasons for changes to the Accommodation Building.**

### **Extra Rooms on Top Floor**

We have added another four rooms. This is because we want to reclaim the former front room which was split to form two bedrooms. We want to reclaim it to create a meeting room and a meditation place for the small evening group that meets weekly. At present we use the dining room, but this is the wrong atmosphere for such events and an inconvenience.

The extra rooms would allow us to give everyone a single room. Everyone wants single rooms these days! With these extra rooms and the loss of the ones of the former front room, we would still be limited to an intake of 11 retreatants. The septic tank will service a regular 12 people. Our courses cover only 35 weeks of the year.

### **Utility Room**

We plan to put in ground source heating and to relieve our small kitchen of the washing machine and place the freezer in there which is at present kept in the shed.

### **Other Rooms**

The extra Utility Room allows us to have a store room above. And we are also able to put in an extra toilet above the one below.

### **The Large Roof**

We have had three phase electricity brought into the property. This means we can take advantage of solar panels. We need up to 12,000 kWh to run the centre and this roof, covered in solar panels would allow us to produce that level of electricity. We would like to be self-sufficient in energy.

Around 35 degree angle is best for all year round. (12 winter to 60 summer)

There is also a need for a large roof space for a water tank to feed the motor showers. We have to have these since the pressure from the borehole is too low, especially when all the bathrooms and kitchen are being used.

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