



This bamboo screen makes an attractive and practical option when space is tight

# Longer days lead outdoors

Home renovations make good sense at a time when interest rates are at an historically low level and as spring approaches, outdoors is a good place to start

**T**HERE are two reasons for taking a good, long look at your outdoor space at this time of year.

With the shortest day of the year behind us, spring is on its way and we are likely to want to spend more time outdoors.

The second reason is that historically low interest rates can make home renovations a good investment.

Space Landscape Designs general manager Jason Elboz said the time was right for outdoor planning for the warmer months.

"If you are tired of looking at your backyard, unit block or commercial landscaping,

now is the time to make a change," he said.

"Like any design you must come up with a plan before you even think about construction."

## Plan to improve

Space Landscape Designs recommends a landscape plan that can help homeowners in the following ways:

- A designer will assess the site's potential and provide a solution that is both practical and appealing.
- A detailed scaled plan enables the homeowner to visualise the final result and make changes as necessary to achieve the best result.
- A landscape plan is a tool to acquire construction quotations.
- The designer will create a style of garden that complements the architecture of the home.
- By engaging a professional, the right plants will be selected for the site.

A list of plants is also supplied, providing an accurate calculation of the quantity required.

## Increase value

Mr Elboz said landscaping was a way to increase the value of a property.

With first homebuyers, investors and people looking to upscale now entering the market, this is a time homeowners can start thinking how they can increase the value of their property.

Some cost-effective designs and smart planting could increase the value of your property immensely.

First impressions are important and a house with street appeal will instantly attract buyers.

If the landscaping looks uncared for, disorganised and untidy, then buyers may perceive the value of the building as less.



A designer can help create appealing features

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