



DESIGN STATEMENT

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SIMPLE NOT COMPLICATED

DON'T MAKE SOMETHING
UNLESS IT'S BOTH
NECESSARY AND USEFUL;
BUT IF IT'S BOTH NECESSARY
AND USEFUL, DON'T HESITATE
TO MAKE IT BEAUTIFUL

INTRODUCTION

“Introduce the application, its background and identify the context.”

This document has been prepared for the site at Tillyshogle Bothy, Echt, Aberdeenshire. The document aims to appraise the site, outline the initial design intent and the rigorous design process which has been carried out to arrive at the proposals submitted to the Aberdeenshire Council.



Location in Scotland



Location in Aberdeenshire



Tillyshogle Bothy, OS Map



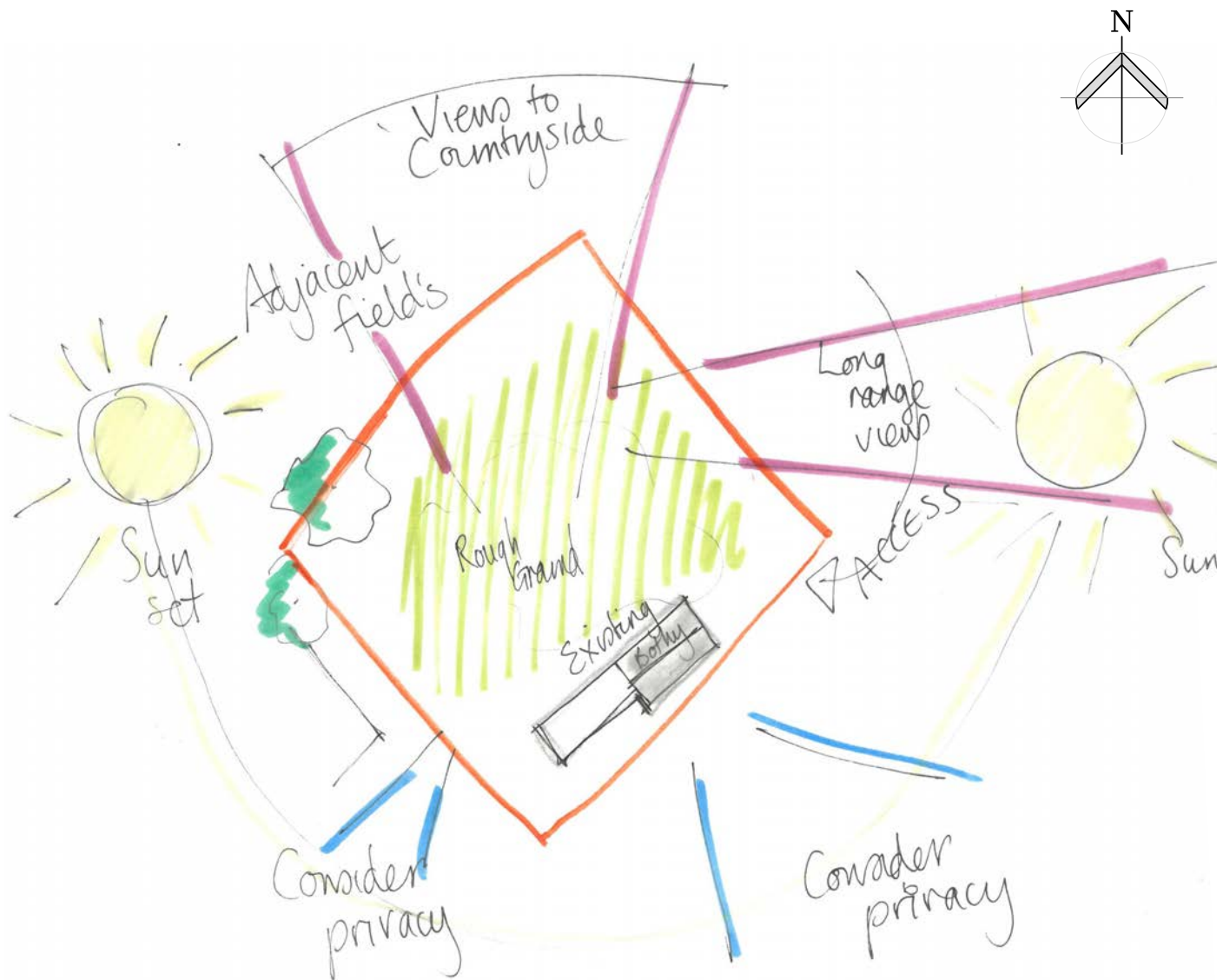
Tillyshogle Bothy, Aerial Photo

SITE PHOTOS



DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

Site Analysis



Site observations and a desk top study have been used as an indicator to inform the site analysis (*above*). The site analysis is a way of evaluating the key features, opportunities and constraints of the site:

- The site is bordered by agricultural land, ensuring uninterrupted long range views to the North.
- Site orientation allows for sun throughout the day - potential to benefit from solar gain / morning and evening light.
- Existing track from north west provides access to site.
- Mature tree on boundary on far north providing natural sheltering.
- Consider privacy - retain existing walls and introduce low/medium level hedging.

INITIAL DESIGN CONCEPT

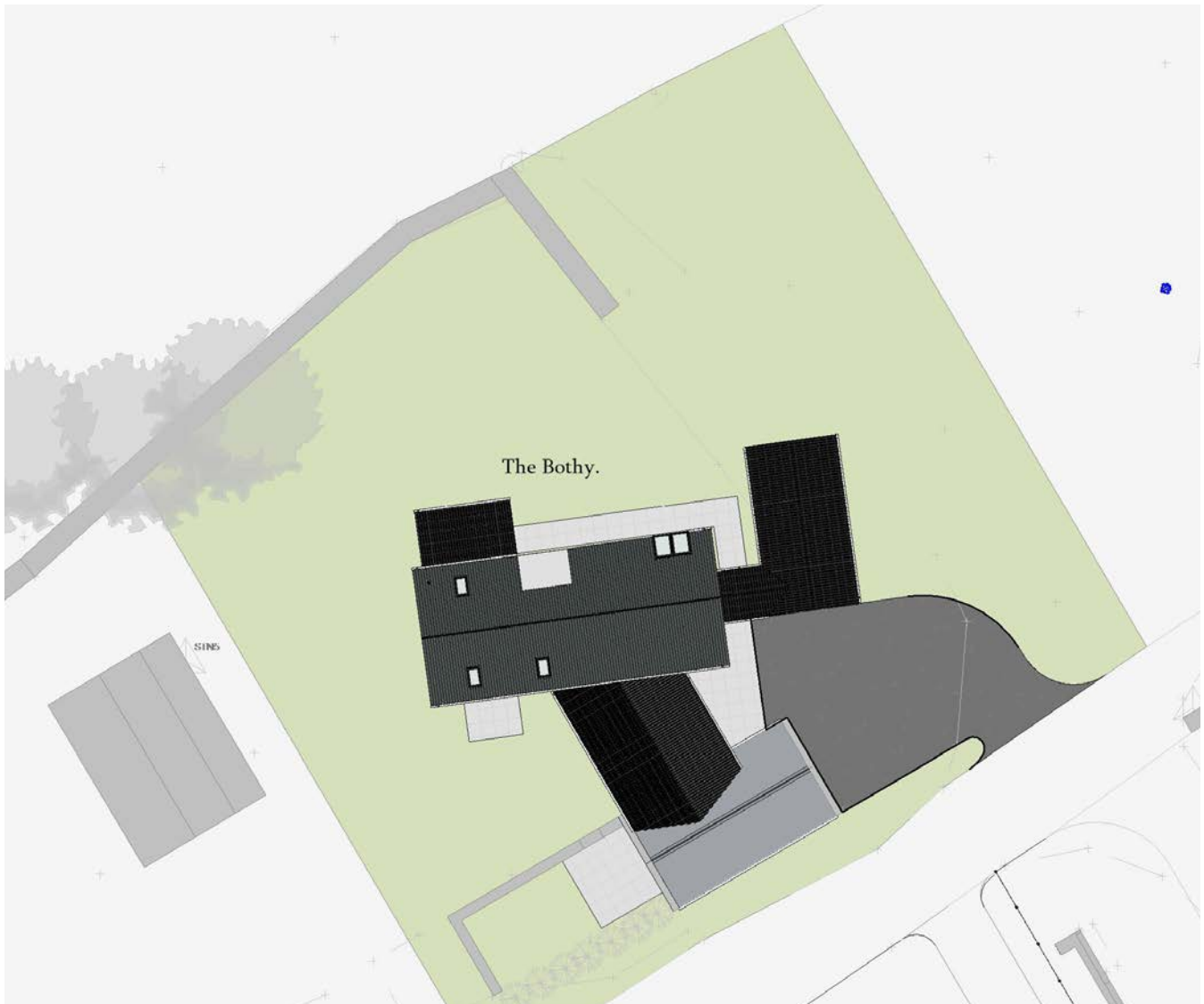


Proposed Site Layout sketch



Proposed Elevation sketch

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Proposed Site Layout

The proposal is for a single dwelling house. Access to the plots will be via an existing access track from the northern edge.

The design proposal combines gable to gable forms and lean-to additions with appropriate proportions, detailing and materials in order to provide a houses that ties into the local context.

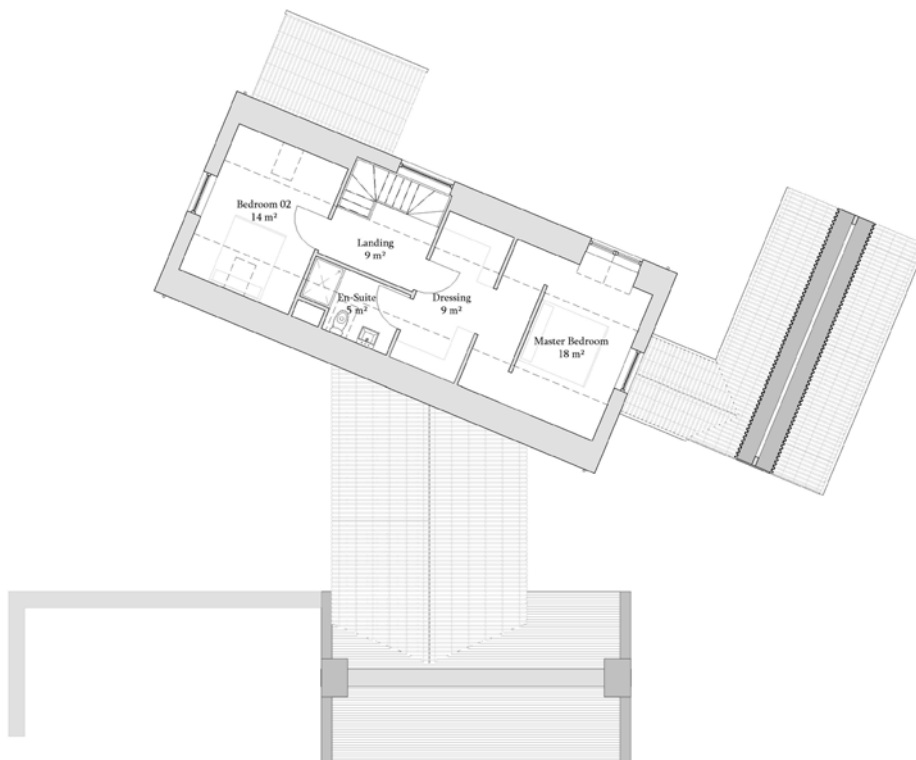
The design looks to create a home which is modern in spirit and yet rooted in tradition. Full design proposals can be viewed as part of the application.

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The Bothy : Floor Plans



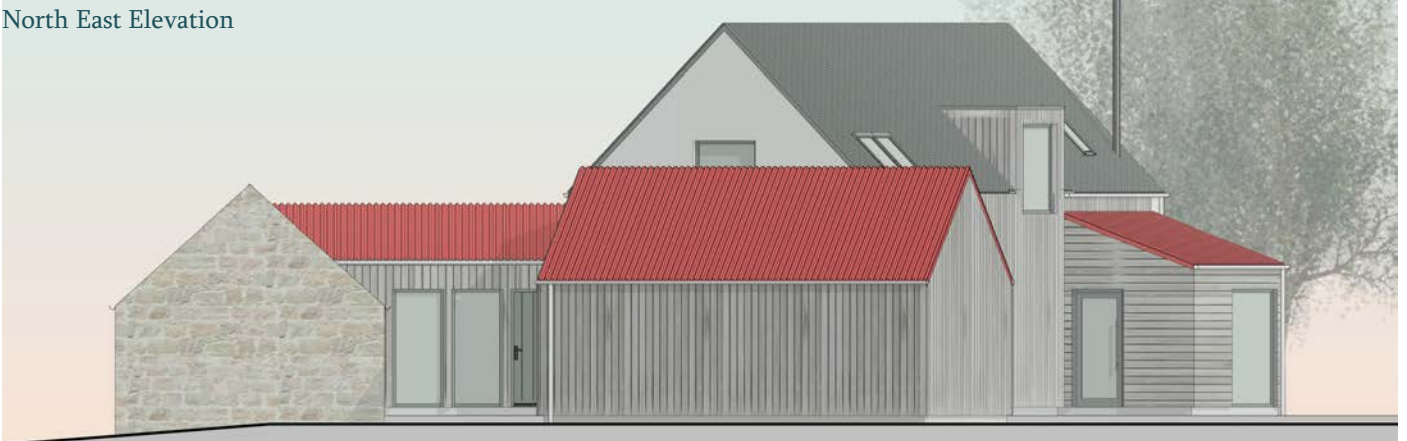
Ground Floor Plan



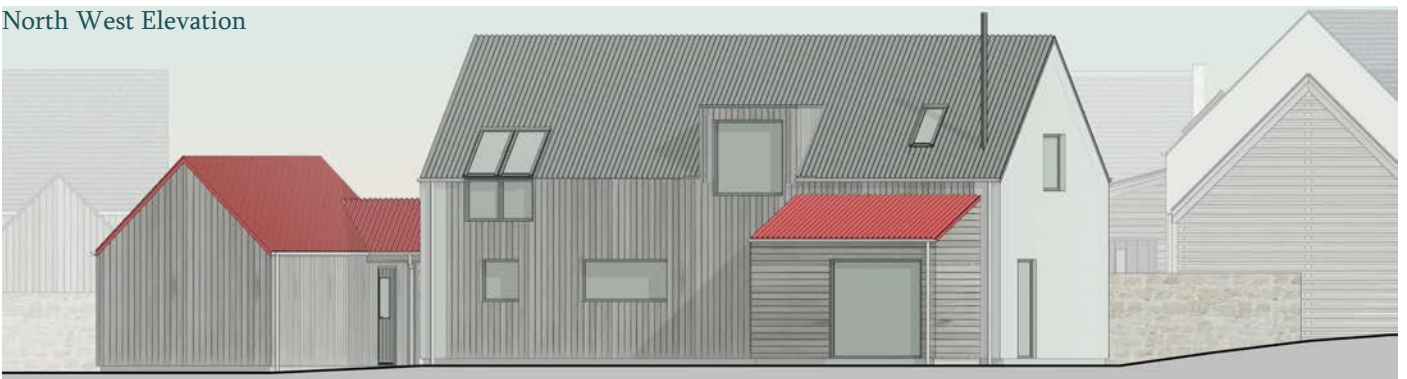
First Floor Plan

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North East Elevation



North West Elevation



South East Elevation



South West Elevation



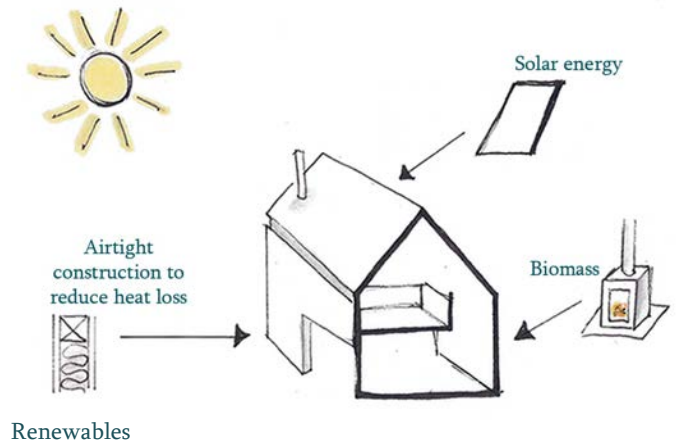
DESIGN SOLUTION

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Identity | Sense of Place | Materials | Function

ak|a are proposing the Bothy at Tillyshogle will have a simple palette of traditional and modern external materials including corrugated sheet metal, natural slate, drystone walling, pale wet dash render and untreated timber cladding. There may be possibilities to introduce some feature solid timber in Oak or Douglas Fir.

The overall objective is to provide well-designed timeless dwelling which is highly sustainable, sits well in the landscape and benefit from the site orientation and fantastic views.



Through examining and understanding the traditional rural architecture of the area and reinterpreting it in a contemporary manner, we believe that the proposed designs are appropriate for the site. The designs aim to combine simple gable to gable forms and lean-to additions with appropriate proportions, detailing and materials in order to provide a design which ties into the local context. It is important that we learn from the traditions and re-interpret design in a contemporary way, as to not mimic, and to create a design which is rooted in tradition but contemporary in spirit.

Renewables | Landscaping

Boundaries will be landscaped and planted to age gracefully so that screening can occur between neighbouring properties, without the need for tall timber fences. Renewable systems will be encouraged and with a fabric first approach, the proposed homes will be super insulated with U-values well beyond those required by current building standards.



Natural planting of hedging



Wet dash render



Timber and steel post



Natural slate



Layering of materials



Scottish larch cladding



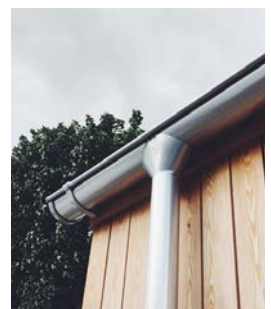
Dry stone walls



Corrugated roofsheet



Mix of materials



Galvanised steel RWG

DESIGN INSPIRATION

