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Building your new home can be a stressful experience. Your home is probably the largest financial – and emotional– investment you will ever make, so it's important to get it right.

This 5 step guide will help you set up the best processes, with clear lines of communication, so you can follow your build closely without complication and stress.

1 In-house Designers

Nothing beats the personal touch. Using a qualified design team to plan your home and adapt it to your chosen site allows you to create something that is perfectly suited to your personal requirements, taking into account the topography of your block and giving special consideration to issues such as how to position rooms to take advantage of sun, the views and any other thermodynamic features. Is a butler's pantry on your must-have list? Or, are you set on a walk-in robe? A designer can make sure your wish list is taken care of.





2 One Point of Contact

Confusion leads to stress – and it's hard to keep track of a building project when many people are involved. It's important to streamline communication wherever possible. Establish one point of contact with your chosen builder from start to finish to ensure that there are no mixed messages, or chances of getting instructions confused through a chain of people. At family businesses such as J & E Miller you will not only be getting one point of contact, you will be communicating with the person who owns the business.

3 Photo Updates

Visual clues are the best way to get a real feel as to how a build is progressing. There is nothing quite so exciting – or real – than seeing your new house emerge from its foundations through regular photo updates from your builder. Details such as window installation, kitchen benchtops – these are all great to witness step-by-step as your house starts to form. Photos can also help create a portfolio of the work and a reminder about all the products or fittings used if ever you want to extend your house, or renovate, some years down the track.





4 Weekly Progress Reports

Documentation is always vital when it comes to accountability. Having regular written updates help to make everyone responsible for following through on action items, as well as allowing a reference point on progress as the build gets underway. Weekly reports allow you to track progress at regular intervals, without getting bogged down in paperwork. Of course, most builders can give you a daily update by phone, if necessary, or at crucial times.

5 Site Meetings

Talking with your builder on site allows you to clarify details in the space itself, which is particularly important if you are inexperienced in building, or find it hard to visualise design ideas. Some elements in particular, such as flooring, window details, kitchen finishes and colour choices, are important to see in-situ. Bring samples of tiles, paint swatches and surface choices to the meeting so everyone is informed and you can see what it will look like in the new space. If you have an architect or interior designer involved, make sure they come to the meetings as well to ensure that communication remains strong between the entire team.





Want a **stress-free build**? Speak to the team at **J & E Miller Building**. Our experienced team is ready to partner with you on every step of your exciting build journey.



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