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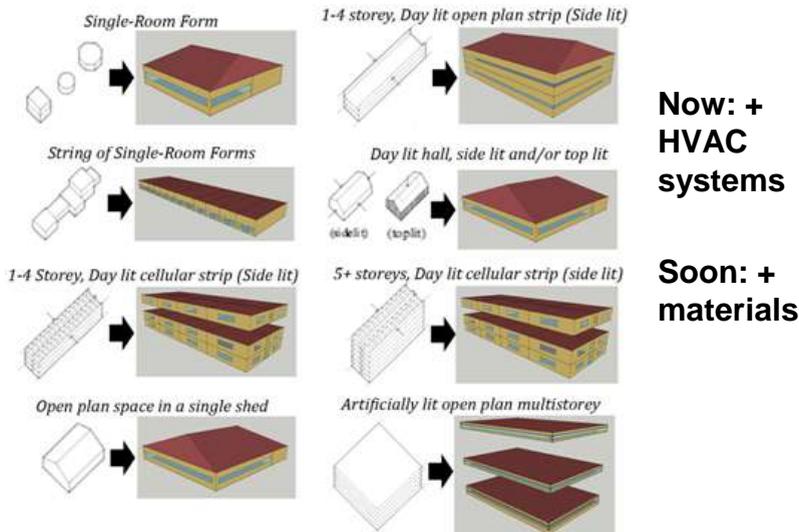


- 1. Lessons from international high-performance buildings**
- 2. 'Optimised' building design:**
 1. T_{vis} and T_{sol} , R-value of all components, shading, WWR and height of glazing, heat storage
- 3. Urban design options from CCP:**
 1. Height limit 7 storeys
 2. Sloping South facades over 5 storeys
 3. Permeability = lanes (4m / 10m) or courtyards



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NZ Templates for Energy Modelling



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Net ZEB: Lessons Learned



- ▶ IDP – essential
- ▶ Energy Performance **must** be early goal
- ▶ Hierarchy when Designing Net ZEBs:
 - Passive Design → Energy Efficiency Systems → Renewable Energy Solutions
- ▶ Energy end-use: office equipment 50%
- ▶ Ceiling fans, instead of active cooling
 - This affected our analysis: assumed 18-27°C comfort band based on their proven 18-30°C comfort band with Natural Ventilation



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Optimising Energy Performance

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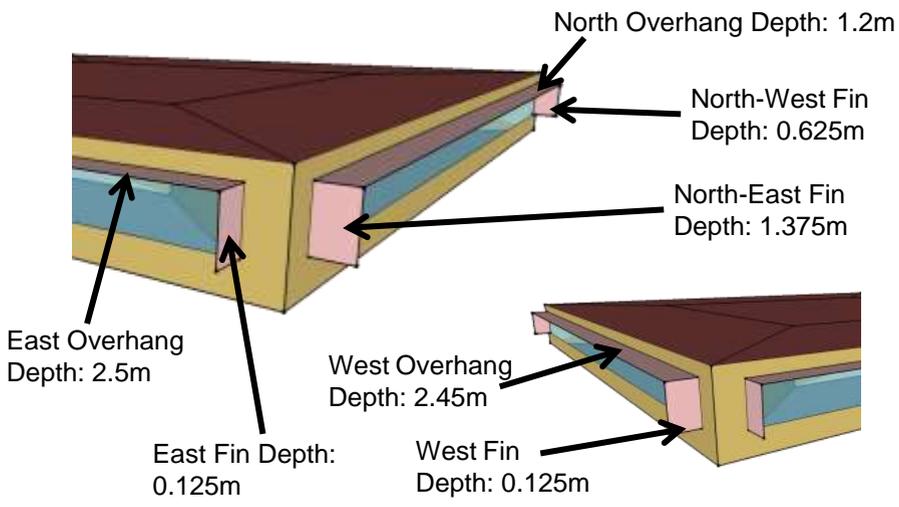
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Set of Energy Lowering Solutions

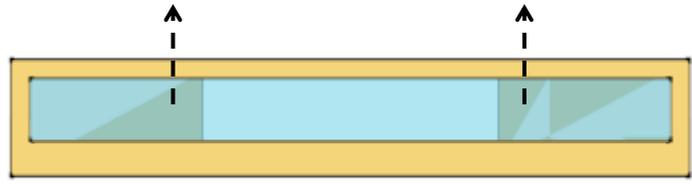
- ▶ **Design changes:**
 - Natural Ventilation
 - Electric Light Controls
- ▶ **Used BEES Schedules**
- ▶ **Optimised parameters:**
 - Solar shading: 0-3m
 - Insulation: R0.1-R12
 - Window to Wall Ratio (WWR 10-90%)
 - Window Height 0.1m Floor/Roof

5 Zone - 1,000m² Single Storey Building

Optimum Shading Parameters



Optimum Window Parameters



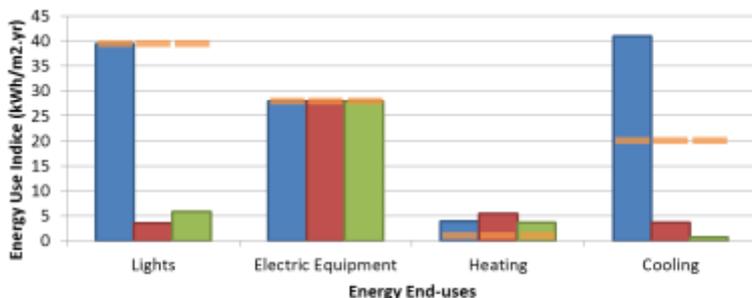
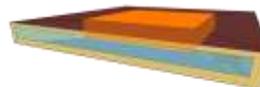
WWR: 50% Window Height: Moves Up 200mm



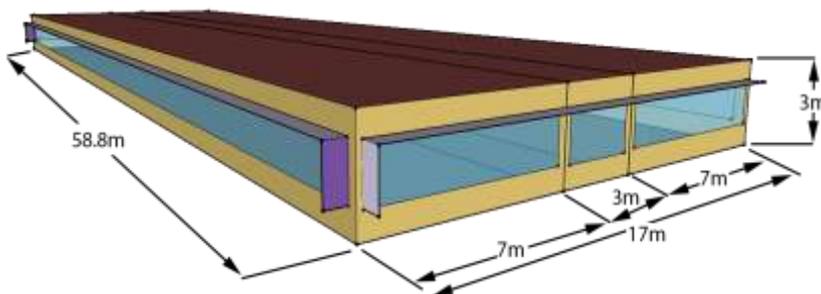
Energy End-use Breakdown & Savings



- ▶ **Largest Savings: Cooling and Lighting**
 - Achieved with Natural Ventilation/Free cooling and Electric Light Controls
- ▶ **Natural Ventilation and Solar Shading**
 - Elimination of Cooling needs in perimeter
- ▶ **Base Scenario**
 - Perimeter Zones use more than Core Zone



Narrow Plan Building



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Summary

- ▶ **Cooling almost eliminated in Perimeter**
- ▶ **Office Equipment very dominant**
- ▶ **Design Principles:**
 - Free cooling and daylight design is crucial – if form is kept narrow for whole building design – almost eliminates mechanical cooling
 - Insulate well – especially the roof AND glazing!
 - WWR same as NZBC of 50%
 - Have high window placement



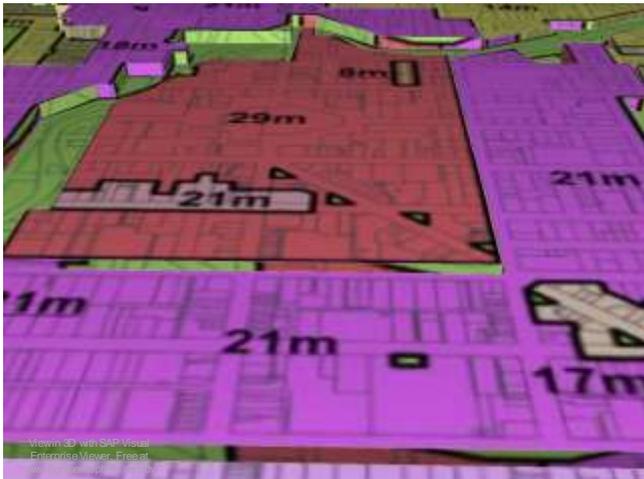
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Urban Form Study

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Where to Start?



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Establishing the Baseline

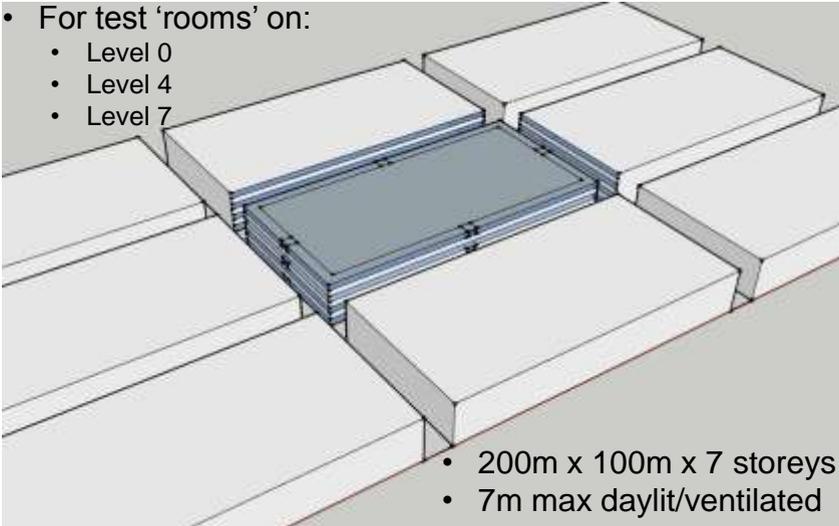


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Urban Form Scenarios

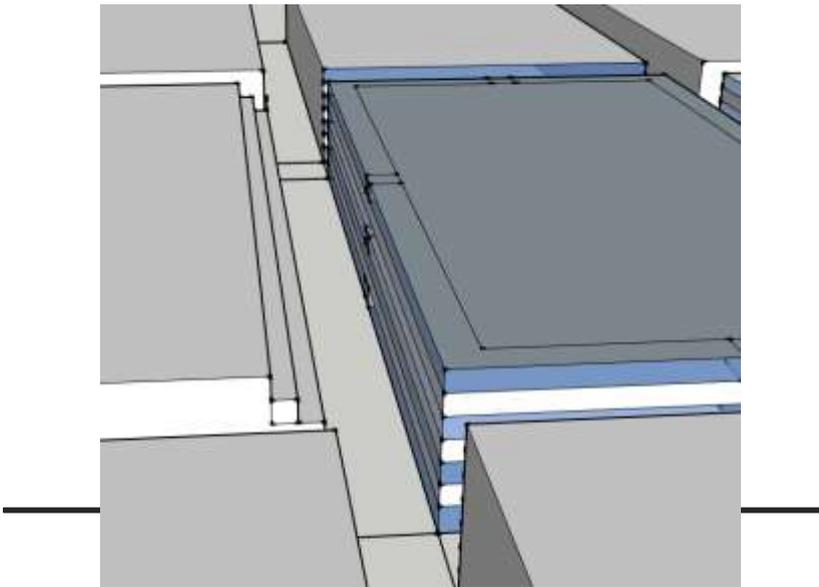


- Effect of Urban form on:
 - Daylight
 - Energy Use
- For test 'rooms' on:
 - Level 0
 - Level 4
 - Level 7



- 200m x 100m x 7 storeys
- 7m max daylight/ventilated

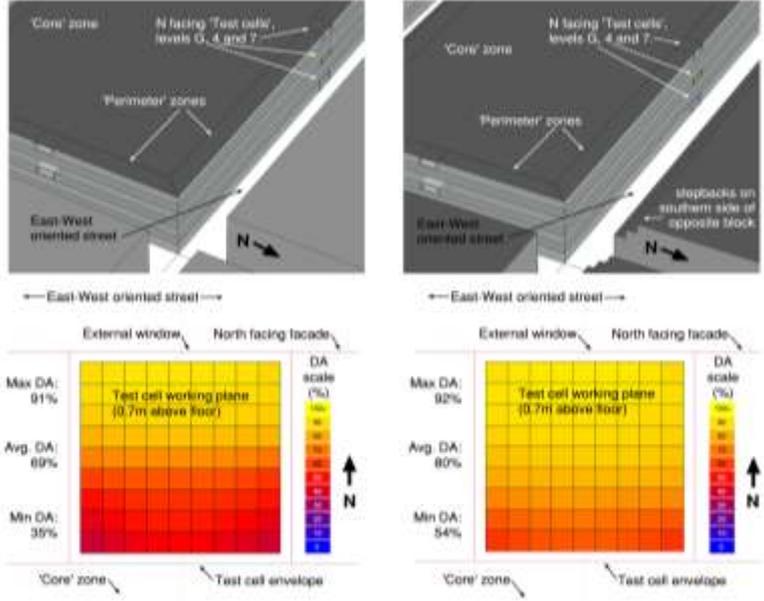
Step-Backs?



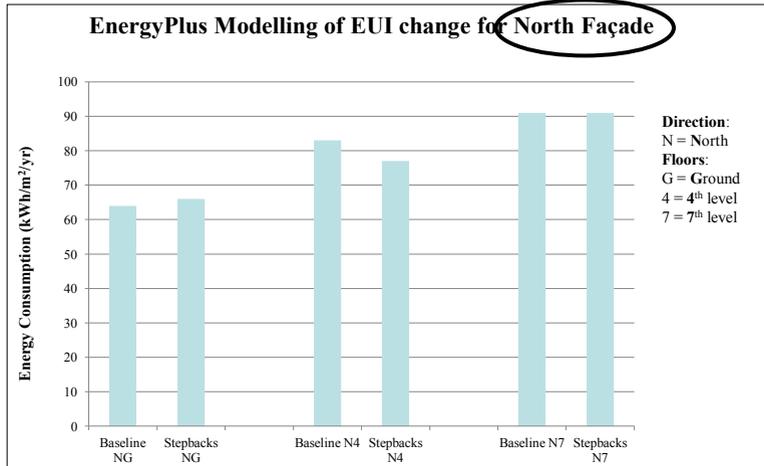
Daylight Autonomy (DA): North - Level 4



Comparison of DA between Baseline and Step-Back in 'N4,' Test Cell



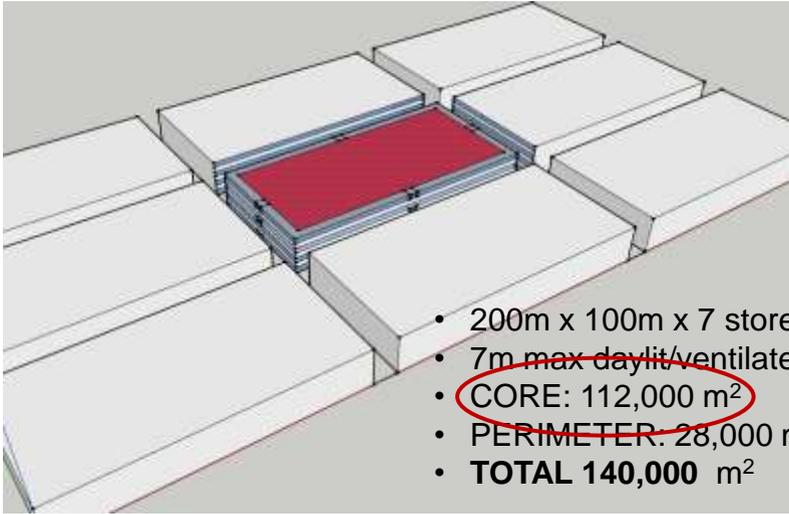
Perimeter Energy Change – Step-Backs



- Step-backs make no difference to top floors
- Biggest improvement apparent on mid-level floors

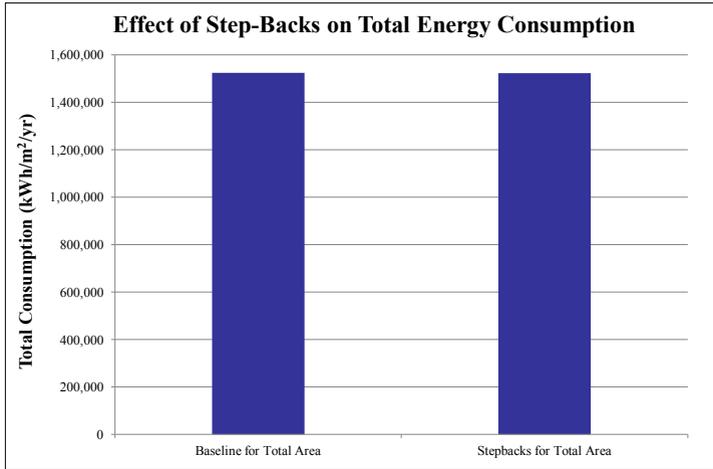


Effect of Step-Backs Overall



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Overall Energy Change: Step-Backs



- Step-Backs make negligible improvement to overall building energy consumption

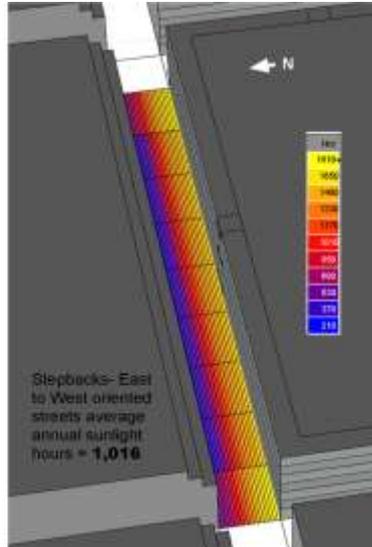
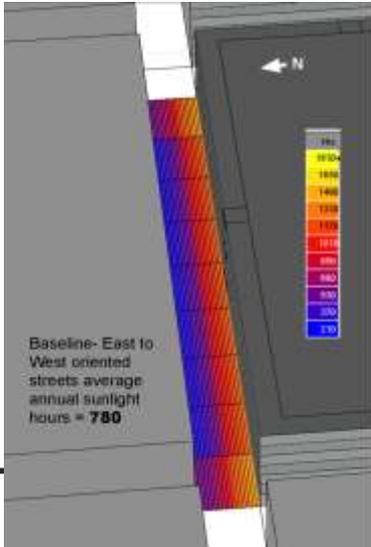


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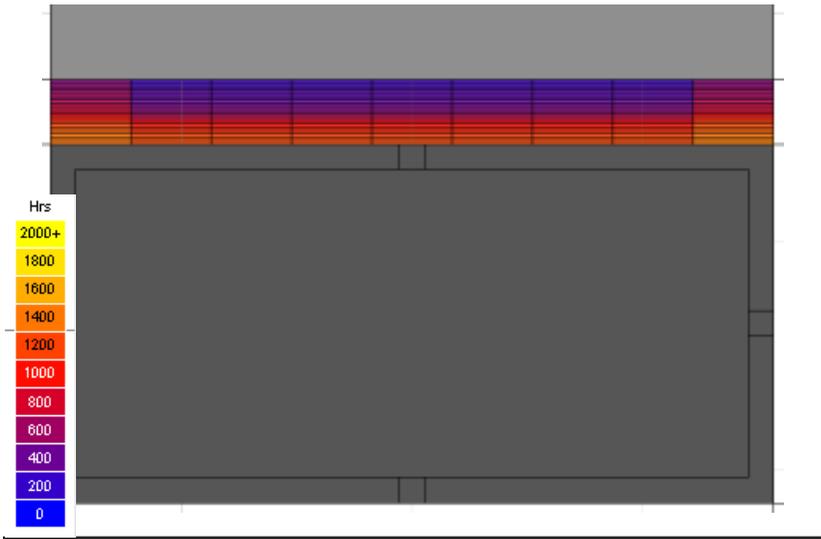
Sunlight in Street: Effect of Step-Backs



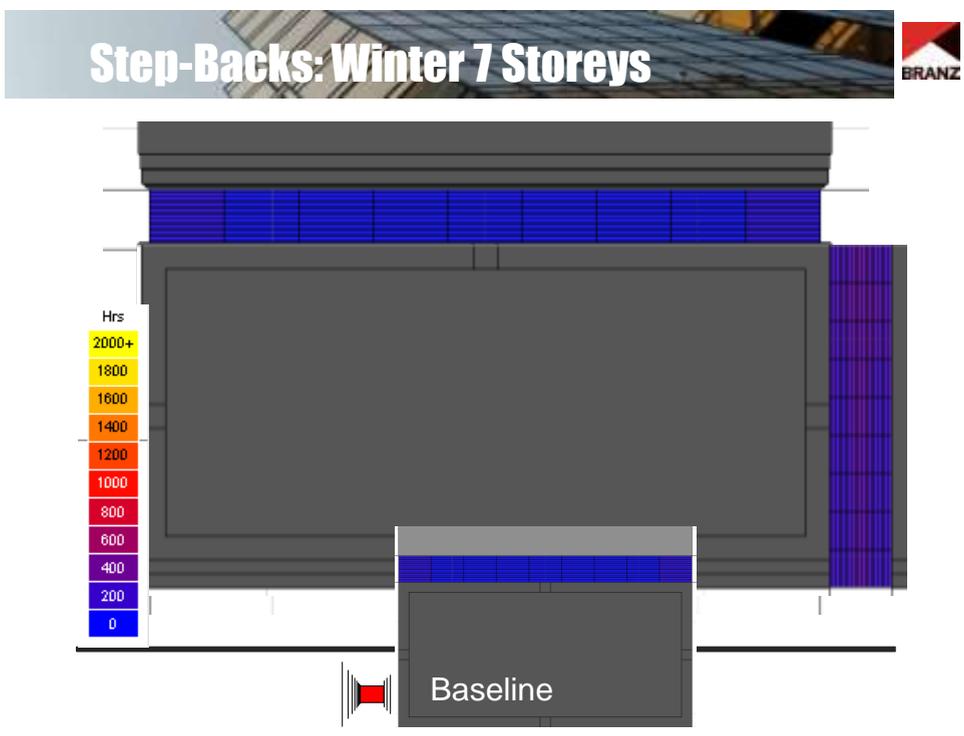
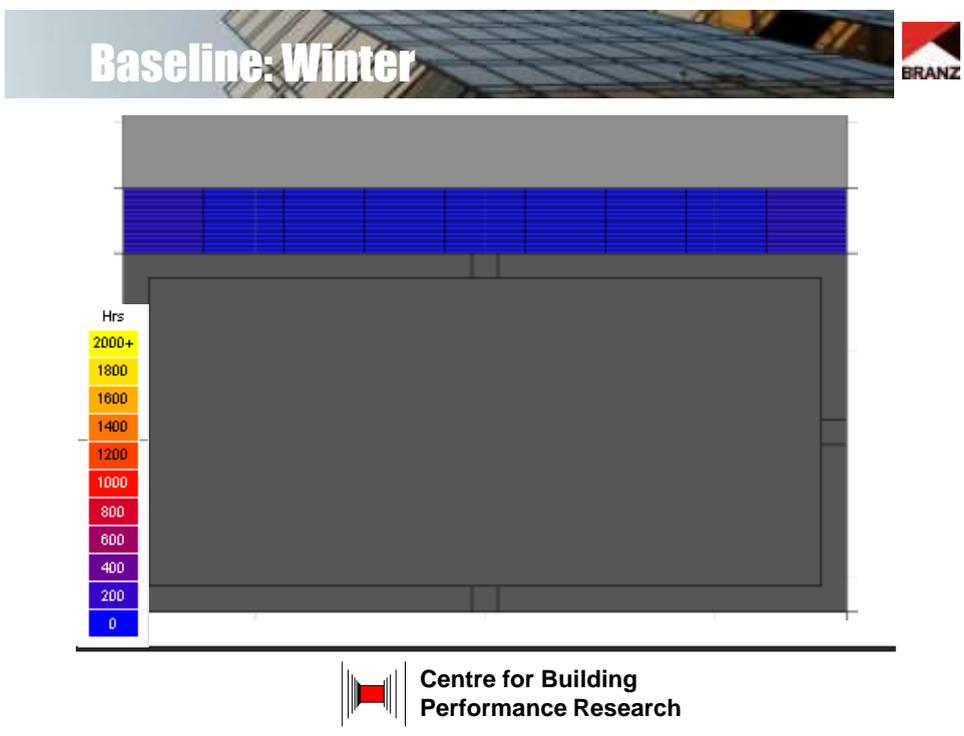
- Annual, between 7am and 7pm (4,380 hours total)
- North-South oriented streets not affected (738 up to 778)



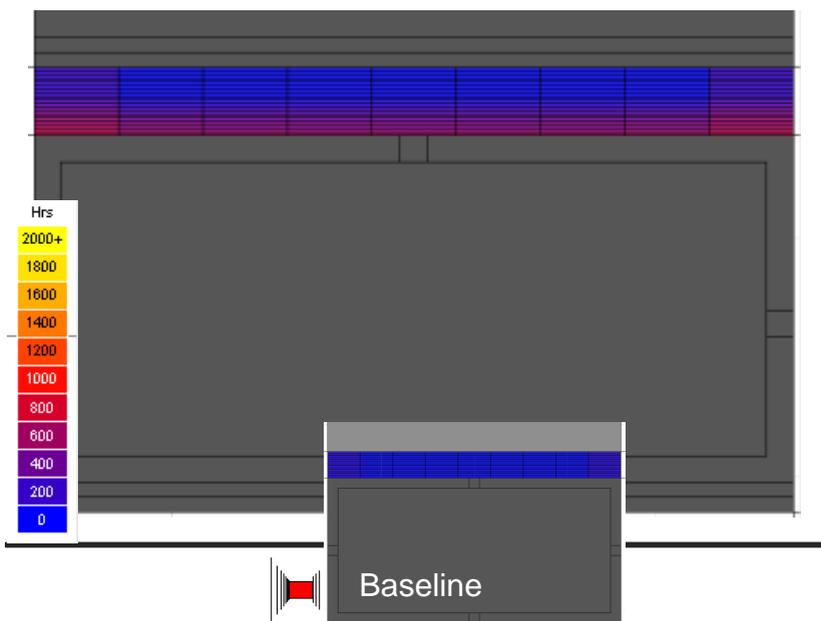
Baseline: All Year



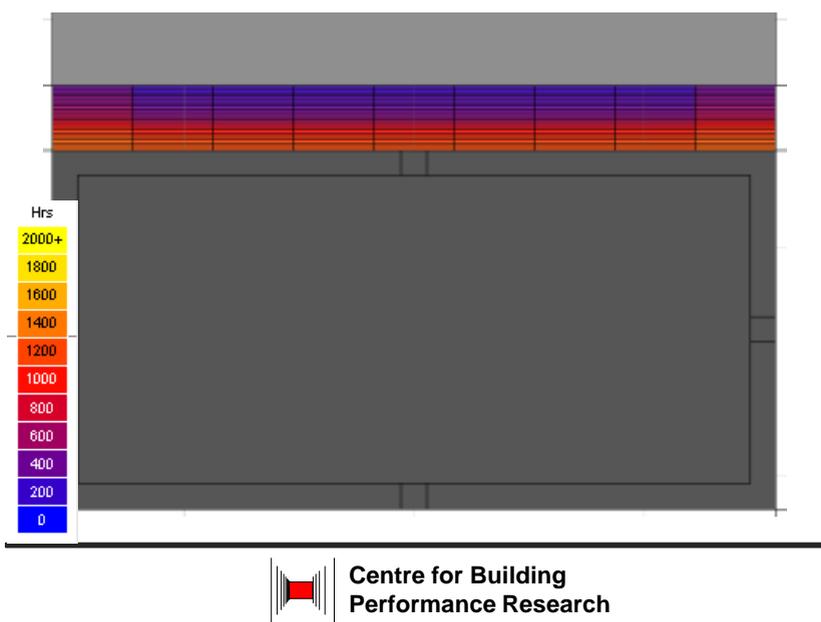
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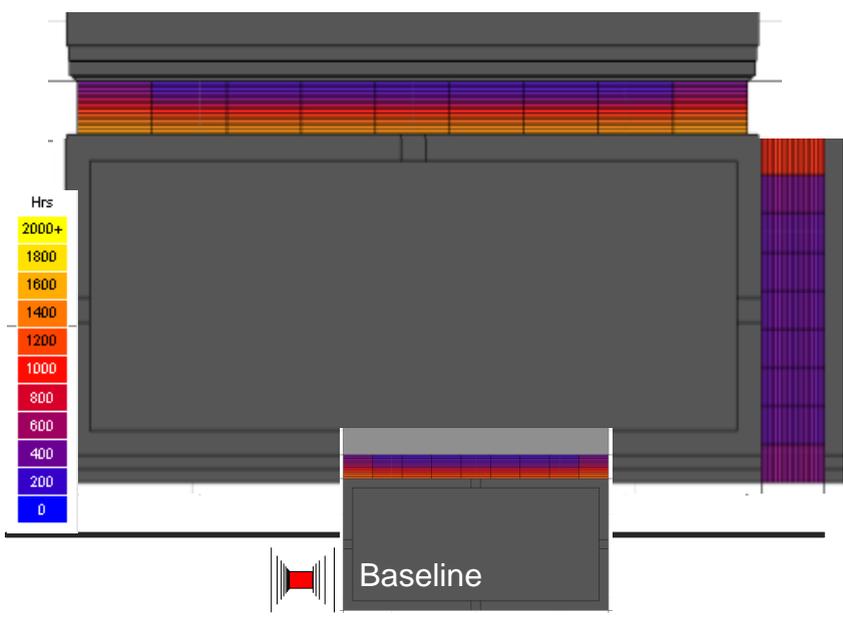
Step-Backs: Winter 4 Storeys

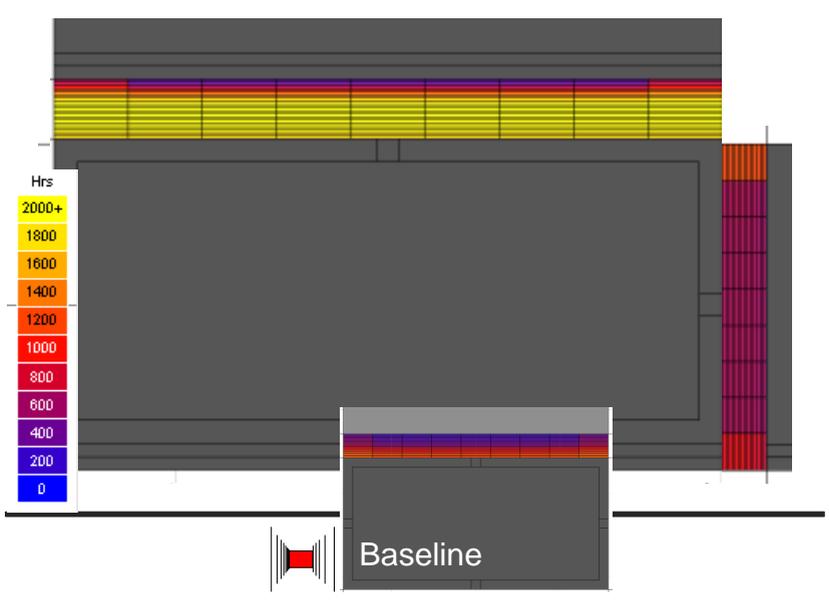
Baseline: Summer

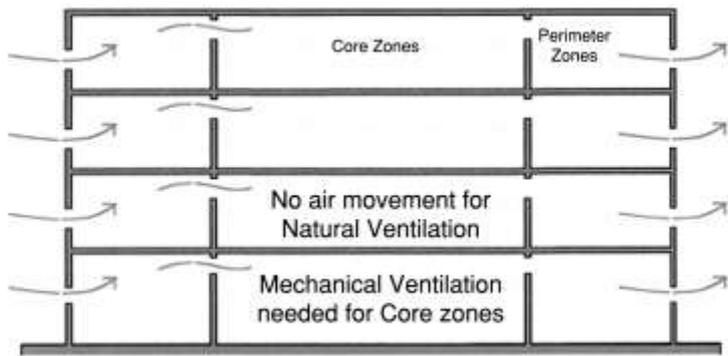
Step-Backs: Summer 7 Storeys



Step-Backs: Summer 4 Storeys



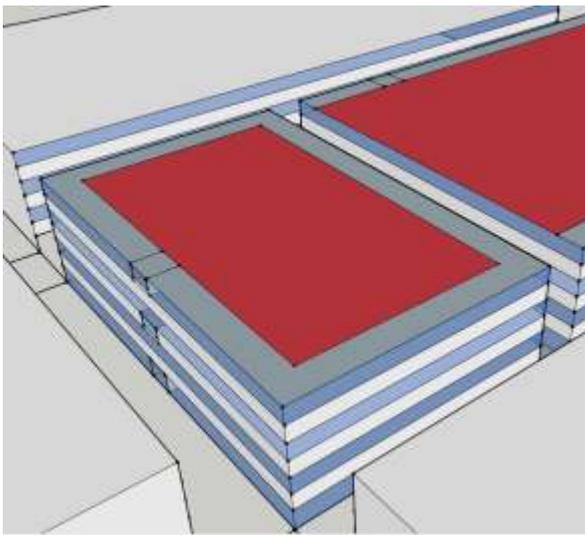
Deep Plan Buildings



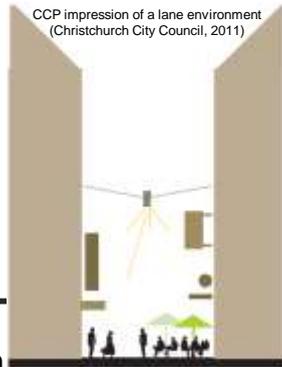
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Lanes break up Deep Plan?



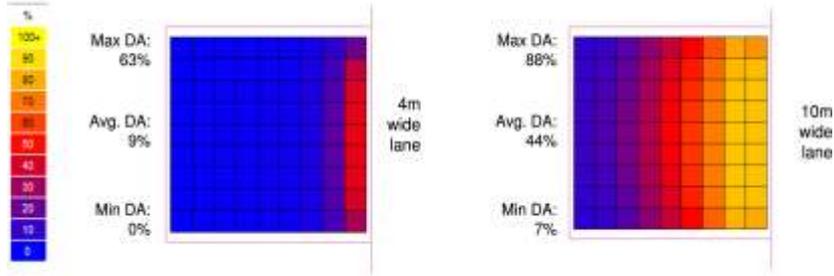
- 3 buildings in total
- 65m x 100m x 7 storeys
- 7m max daylight/ventilated
- CORE: 93,000 m²
- PERIMETER: 44,400 m²
- **TOTAL 137,400 m²**



Lane Daylight Autonomy (DA)

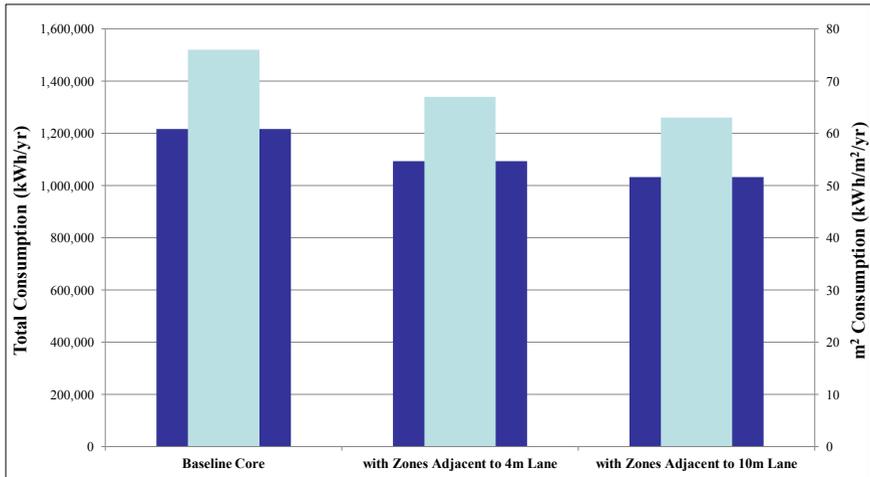


Level 4, East and West oriented zones adjacent to lanes



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Energy Consumption Change: Lanes

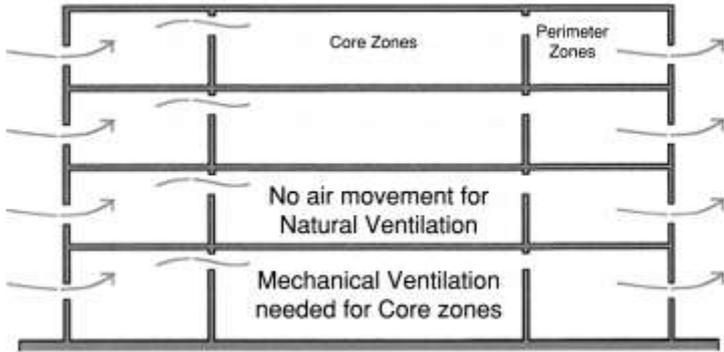


- Despite very poor daylighting, 4m lanes still reduce energy consumption



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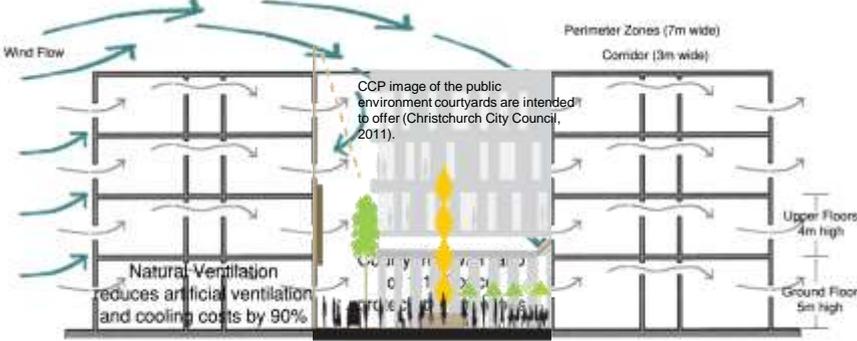
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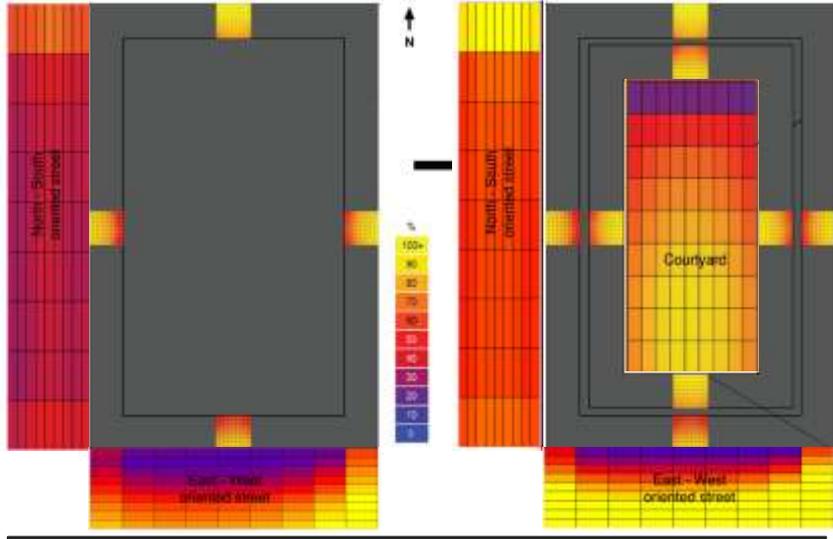
Where: $\frac{\text{Area Courtyard}}{(\text{Av. Height Buildings})^2} < 10$ winds 50% reduced

7 storey courtyards: 2.4
4 storey courtyards: 7.1



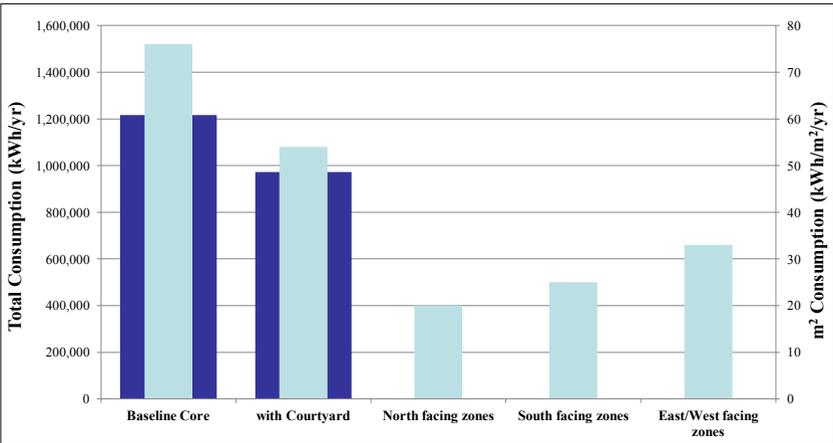
Courtyards for Wind Protection and Natural Ventilation

Daylight/Sunlight in Streets



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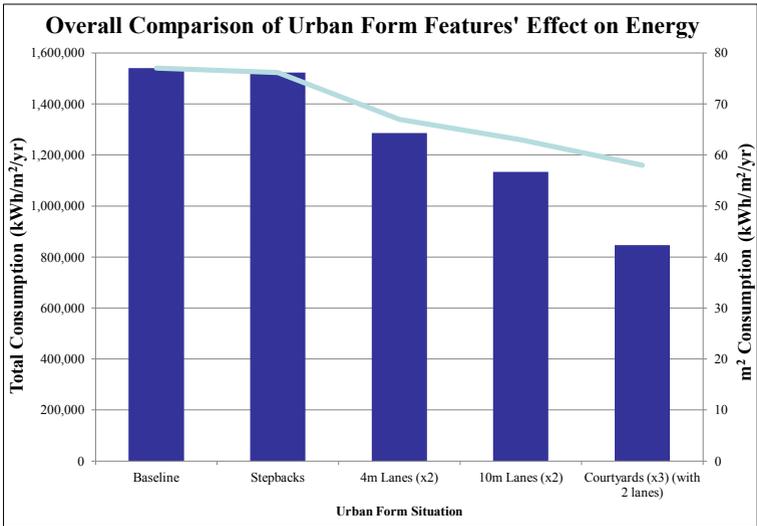
Energy Performance: Courtyards



- All zones adjacent to the courtyard perform very well passively
- Courtyard reduces total consumption by around 20%

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Summary



Next Steps?
CBPR 2012-2013 BEES Modelling



Thank You



- ▶ **To the BEES team for encouragement and assistance**
- ▶ **Tavis and Shaan (and Andrew)**

- ▶ **To you**



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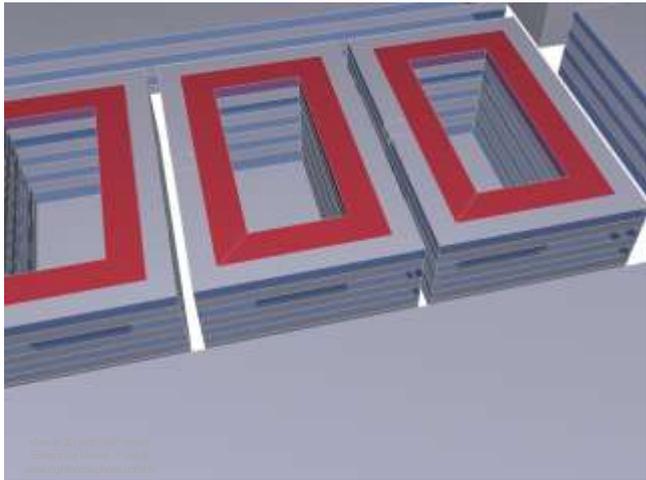


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