Case Study

Character home keeps its good looks with EcoStar

German Residence, Wellington

Challenge

A character home in Wellington was being renovated to protect its important resident from future earthquakes. The home featured a heavy Marseille clay tile which needed to be removed and replaced with an alternative that was substantially lighter.

The new roof needed to be visually appealing and tie into the character of the home, ensuring its final finish had an authentic look.

Solution

David Pawson, from Peddle Thorpe & Montgomery (PTM) Architects, looked at a number of possible roofing systems for the home which were presented to the client. EcoStar was recommended as it provided not only the desired look, but offered a lighter weight roof, a 50 year warranty and a strong plywood substrate which aided in the earthquake strengthening of the building.

EcoStar, from Viking Roofspec, is a revolutionary premium roofing system. It is designed to emulate the look of Welsh slate at less than half the weight. It is manufactured using 80% recycled materials that include UV stable rubber and polymers, from the likes of recycled car bumpers, radiator hoses and door mouldings.

With 10 different colours, and four unique profiles available, the EcoStar range allows homeowners to create their desired exterior look to compliment the home.

The traditional profile EcoStar tile in midnight grey colour fitted the criteria perfectly for the home in Wellington; it was lighter in weight and would create a grand and authentic finish.

“EcoStar suited the original Tudor Style character of the house. It was visually in keeping with the character of the original design of the home”, said David.

Result

The home in Wellington has been renovated to withstand future earthquakes. The roof is lighter and stronger while the character of the home has been enhanced, not compromised.

Architect David Pawson mentioned “Overall the roofing system is brilliant and I am very happy with the EcoStar product”.

For further information on EcoStar click here.