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RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE –
HOUSES (ALTERATIONS & ADDITIONS)

LITTLE LOFT HOUSE

LIGHT HOUSE ARCHITECTURE
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Little Loft House explores the concepts of how a family home can adapt to a future beyond the early '80s brick veneer vernacular. Does growing up mean moving on? This project exemplifies the skill of the architect to transform a dark and unremarkable home into one that feels contemporary and light-filled. Here, the architect found value in the existing footprint and demonstrated restraint when additions were warranted.

Appearing largely untouched from the street, the modest addition of a lofted multi-purpose room points to more decisive interventions to the existing home. Minor reconfigurations of the utility zones tucks a new bathroom and laundry under the existing eaves to give over space for much needed built-in storage.

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The living and dining space has been opened up connecting them to a new open plan kitchen generating a seemingly more generous and light-filled space achieved without the use of additional glazing. The introduction of simple slatted screens formalises the entry by maintaining privacy without sacrificing the quality of light.

Designed to adapt to the changing needs of the family, Little Loft House successfully demonstrates that in spite of limitations, a well-considered outcome was achieved with care, imagination and resourcefulness.

