Glenn's House

Household infrastructures constrain and enable consumption





Over the last century opportunities to consume energy and water have increased dramatically.

This is revealed by the recent history of Glenn's house.

1800 Collect water from a pump

1920 Water from a tap in the yard, outside toilet

1930 Indoor water in kitchen lean to, outside toilet

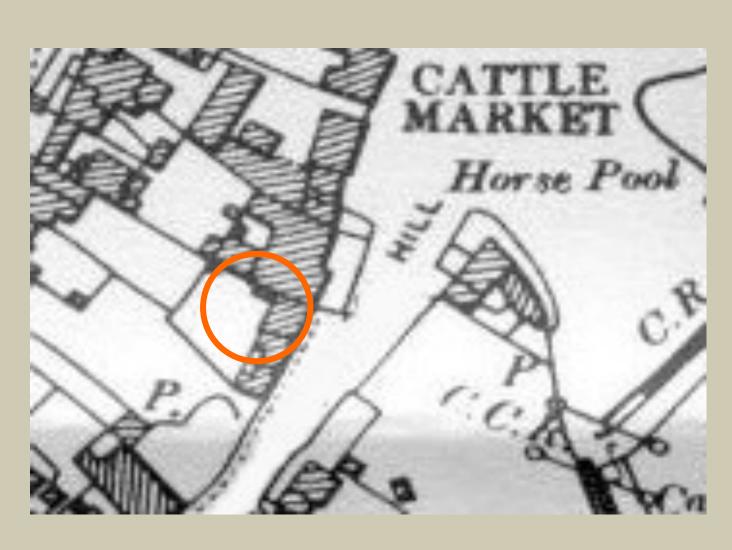
1960 Indoor bathroom, ground floor

1970 Plumbed in washing machine,

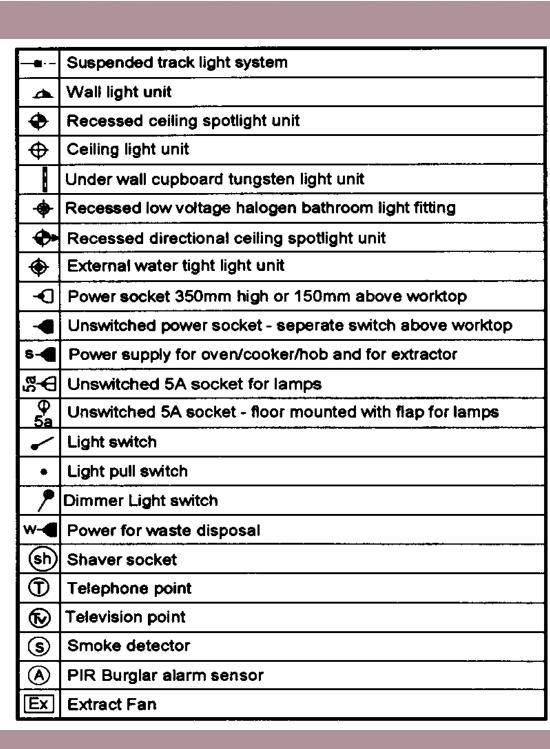
outside tap for garden. Central heating.

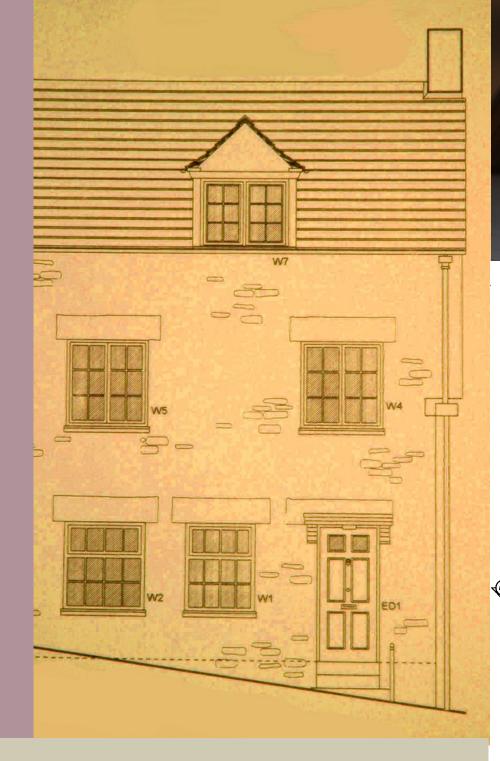
2006 Upstairs bathrooms, dishwasher

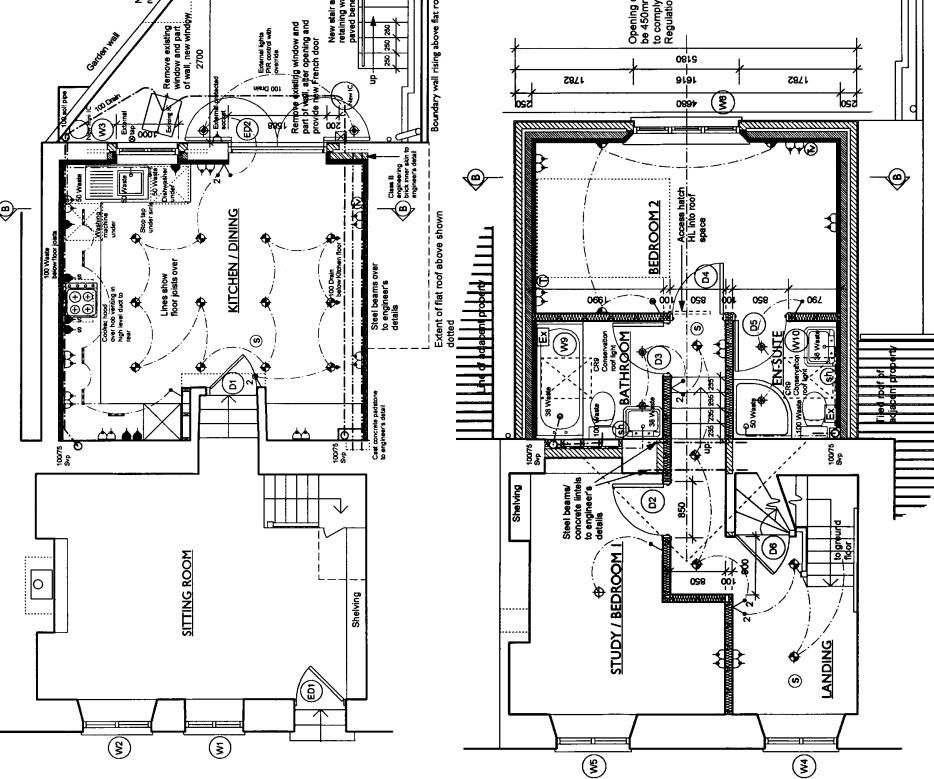
What will the owners add next?











Glenn's house has a history that is not of his own making. In renovating his home, he changes the infrastructure of the future. He has added socket outlets, extra lighting and two upstairs bathrooms.



Estimated per capita water consumption in litres per day. 175 150 125 The future: more 100 75 50 1976 drought New bathrooms and appliances 20 Indoor bathroom 1925 1950 1975 2025 2050 2000 1900