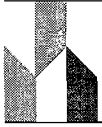




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Gavin design a big winner



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The new million-dollar Executive Plant Hire building at Wangara earned local builder Gavin Construction a certificate of excellence in the Master Builders-Bank-West Excellence in Construction Awards.

Executive Plant Hire wanted to take advantage of the ocean views the site in the Wangara industrial escarpment offered, as well as maximising exposure for the business.

Gavin Construction was wary of developing a typical industrial building, often box-shaped in appearance.

"To combat this visually, the northern elevation was faceted to provide a curved element that masked the simple footprint of the building," the company said.

"This feature has created an eye-catching landmark to the area when combined with the carefully considered colour scheme and extensive landscaping. The owner was inundated with inquiries to lease or purchase the development."

Executive Plant Hire also needed a functional entertainment area, again taking advantage of the ocean views. The area was built with a big balcony on the first floor, suitable for everyday and corporate functions.

The office and warehouses were built with tilt panel construction and the internal walls have a plaster set finish.

Gavin Construction, which has been operating for nearly 40 years, was awarded the certificate of excellence for best commercial-industrial building. The group was also a winner in the 2004 MBA awards.

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