

CIBSE ANZ WOMEN IN ENGINEERING

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Why/ how / where/ what stage in your life did you get your start in Building Services Engineering?

I loved pretty much every subject in school and had a tough time deciding what to do after graduation.

One of the degrees I applied for was architectural engineering, which sounded interesting because it combines building services engineering with sustainable design. I thought it would be a great fit for me, considering my personality and skills.

Tell us a little bit about your job.

I've recently made an exciting decision to embark on a new adventure by starting my own engineering consultancy called Architectural Engineering Consulting.

One of my motivations for taking this leap is to serve as an inspiration for other female engineers. I want to encourage them to embrace new challenges, take on greater responsibilities, and step into leadership roles. The construction industry greatly benefits from the inclusion of more female leaders who can contribute to its diversification and strengthen the field.

What do you love about your job?

For me, growth and adventure are fundamental values, and the field of engineering offers abundant opportunities to fulfil these. What I find most rewarding about being an engineer is witnessing the positive impact that my designs have on people's lives. It is all about people in the end.

What is the biggest impact you hope to have in engineering through your work?

My ultimate goal is to empower clients by providing them with sustainable designs that lead to long-term success and make a positive impact on Aotearoa New Zealand.

Throughout my career, I've had the privilege of being involved in some incredible projects, ranging from geothermal stations to the renowned Auckland Zoo.

I hope that these projects continue to have a meaningful and positive influence on people's lives

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Why do you volunteer on a CIBSE committee?

It is great being around like-minded people who want to raise the profile of building services engineering and provide opportunities for growth.

Being actively involved in the CIBSE committee not only keeps me informed about the latest industry advancements but also offers a valuable platform to advocate for engineering excellence.