CHECKLIST:

What are we looking out for?

- Where is north?
    - If it faces the street, it's not really pleasant having your living rooms facing out for all passers-by to see in. How to get around this is addressed in chapter 9.
    - Is the northern sun unobstructed? – That is, is there a tree or tall building blocking it? If so see chapter 2.
- Do you need a planning permit? Call the council and ask the relevant questions:
    - "I'm building a new house at this address, do I require a planning permit?" and,
    - "What kind of planning restrictions are there on this address?"
        - If the answer is no, permission is not needed, throw a party!
        - If the answer is yes, you must allow the time and money you need for this process, if you want this block.
- Does the block have good access to the prevailing summer breezes? Are there large trees or buildings to the south blocking these breezes?
- Is this block big enough to accommodate your future needs? Speak to an architect to be sure before purchasing.
- When doing your sums for your project, make sure you have included your 10-15% contingency sum.

NOTES: