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There is general agreement between all design and building professionals that a well thought out and designed workspace can increase employee productivity and reduce work related stress issues. Money can be saved by staff managing to do more and by reducing absences. As a result, the right investment into your workspace can have a positive effect on the profitability of your business.

Staff retention is also proven to be better in companies with healthier working environments and less work related stress incidents.

There are a number of important factors that can help create a better, more productive working environment.

The following are some of these factors that should be taken into account when looking at your workplace design:

- ▶ Air and light are the most important things to be considered
- ▶ Increased quality of air through air conditioning systems
- ▶ Look at ways of maximising natural light in all spaces
- ▶ Use environmentally friendly, non-toxic materials and paint
- ▶ Control Aroma by keeping kitchen and food preparation areas separate from working desks
- ▶ Provide relaxation areas so staff can take time away from their desks
- ▶ Introduce sight and sound barriers to allow staff privacy in open plan environments
- ▶ Careful use of colour to stimulate productivity
- ▶ Provide adjustable seating that encourages comfort and good posture
- ▶ Select ergonomic furniture fit for purpose

Most importantly, work with a workplace design expert who can help you identify all of the areas where improvements can be made and how to implement changes in a timely and cost effective manner.

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