

Planning Approved: Move your project forward

with Mark Stevenson



Agenda



Introductions

Appointing your professional team

Project management

Completing the planning process

Dealing with legal issues

Completing the design

Managing money

Managing time

Managing quality

Managing procurement

Setting up the site



Get the right team

Architect / Building Designer
Project Manager
Planning Professional
Foundation Engineer
Drainage Designer
Structural Engineer

SAP Assessor (Thermal engineer)

Fire Engineer
Building Control
Warranty Provider
Land Surveyor
Groundworks Contractor
Floor Risk Engineer
Ecology experts
Arboriculturalist
Party Wall Surveyor
Solicitor
Mortgage provider



Routes to build

Self Manage

- Cost effective but time consuming.
- Requires a degree of competence.

Professional Project Manager

- Cost 8% to 12% of the build cost.
- Convenient and affordable self funding?
- Keeps you in the driving seat.
- Different services available

Turnkey Builder

- 20% to 30% above basic build cost
- Full build out service but at an expense.
- Builders may be overly focused with profit.
- Requires a clear scope of work and fixed price.







The Project Managers Role

- Lead the project team.
- Have clear goals and objectives. Built......
 - On time
 - · Within budget.
 - To a quality standard
 - Safely & protect the environment
- Manage communication and information.
- Advise the customer:
 - What's possible, what's not?
- Plan, manage and coordinate
 - Design
 - The build
 - Trades
 - Procurement and the supply chain
 - Professionals
 - Statutory bodies
 - And more





Effective Project Managers

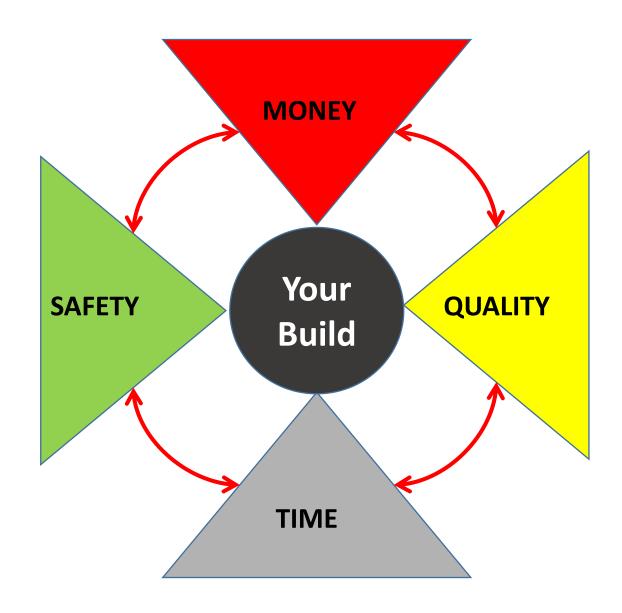
- Are proactive and think ahead
- Have clearly defined goals that everyone understands
- Understands and manages priorities
- Uses teamwork to get things done
- Draw on the experience and skills of their team
- Listens and understands what is happening around them.
- Communicate effectively
- Are accessible and open minded
- Manage risks, make decisions
- Are never afraid to ask!
- Tell you what you need to hear rather than what you want to hear



How a Project Manager Thinks







Project Managers Tools

- Prioritised to-do lists
- Project programme
- Work package specifications / enquiries
- Procurement trackers
- Budget planners
- Cash flow forecasts
- Site layout plans
- Health & Safety Plans
- Risk assessments / method statements.
- Site meetings
- Inspection checklists & records
- As-built records
- Site Diary
- Photos
- Tape measure and level
- Email & Mobile phone

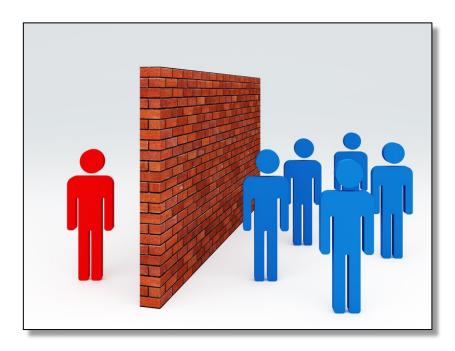




Effective Communication

- It's always *Good to Talk*! share information!
- Be clear, concise and to the point!
- If it's important, put it in writing.
- Be honest and truthful.
- Never be afraid of asking.
- Don't build barriers!
- Don't forget your empathy!







Understanding the permission granted

Celebrate! Then take stock and ask yourself a few questions;

- 1) What have I been granted permission for?
- 2) Can I satisfy all the conditions?
- 3) Is it what I want?
- 4) Can I afford it?
- 5) Can I build it?
- 6) Are there legal issues to resolve?
- 7) Should I change the design?
- 8) Should I complete the plot purchase?







Types of permission

Principle, Outline or Full – What's the difference?

• <u>Permission in principle</u> – Is the site suitable or not. No other matters are considered.

 Outline planning consent grants permission without addressing all details. It does not define accurately the design of the house.

<u>Full planning consent grants permission for a home with detailed design subject to the subject to</u>

conditions. Build can progress

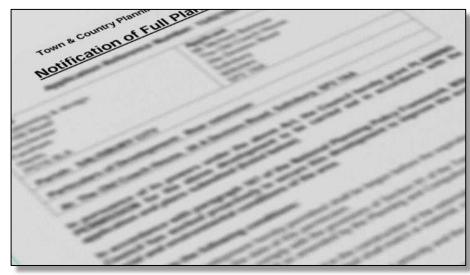




Planning conditions to resolve

- Conditions are the small print that comes with the planning permission. They enable a permission to be granted and the finer detail to be resolved at a later date or by a specific stage of the build
- Warning Make sure the conditions can be satisfied or discharged otherwise the consent cannot be implemented
- Typical conditions to resolve;
 - Building position and floor levels
 - External materials
 - Landscaping
 - Boundary treatments
 - Flood risk
 - Trees & ecology
 - Highways & access
 - Archaeology





Planning conditions

Discharging

Ideally, the discharge of planning conditions will normally be completed with the support of an appropriate professional.

| Removal/Variation/Approval/Discharge of condition | | | |
|--|-------------|------|--|
| Removal or variation of a condition following grant of | | £293 | |
| planning permission | | | |
| Discharge of condition(s) – Approval of | Householder | £43 | |
| details and/or confirmation that one or | permissions | | |
| more planning conditions have been | All other | £145 | |
| complied with | permissions | | |

Approval of proposed materials should take no more than 6 to 8 weeks.

If a response is not forthcoming in that time an applicant may serve the council with a "deemed discharge notice" six weeks after applying giving at least 2 weeks notice of when the deemed to discharge will apply – this may have negative consequences so be careful.



Don't forget to understand the planning obligations

CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy)

- Imposes a fee based on size of the house less area of demolished buildings.
- Self builders can claim exemption but <u>must</u> do so prior to starting any building work on site.
- Must live in the property 3 years to claim full exemption.
- Evidence of residential occupancy must be submitted.



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Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) - Form 7: Self Build Exemption Claim Form Part 1

Step 2 of a 4 stage exemption process

Please note: All of the steps described below need to be followed within required timescales otherwise the exemption with either not be obtained or will be rescinded if previously obtained

STEP 1 - ASSUME LIABILITY

Applicant should have already assumed liability to pay CIL in relation to the development.

This must be done before any exemption can be claimed for.

STEP 2 - CLAIM EXEMPTION

Submit this Self Build Exemption claim form to the Collecting Authority.

The exemption must be granted prior to the commencement of the development.

STEP 3 - COMMENCEMENT

A Commencement Notice must be received by the Collecting Authority prior to the commencement of the development.

STEP 4 - CONFIRM DETAILS

Part 2 of the Self Build Exemption claim form and supporting documentary evidence must be submitted to the Collecting Authority within 6 months of the date of the Compliance Certificate.



Want to change the design

Many people think about changing their design after planning permission has been granted – Why?

Depending upon the extent of changes, amendments can be dealt with as

- Minor material amendment usually associated with planning conditions
- A non-material amendment (changes that don't result in a different scheme) can be dealt with under delegated powers
- New application required for significant changes





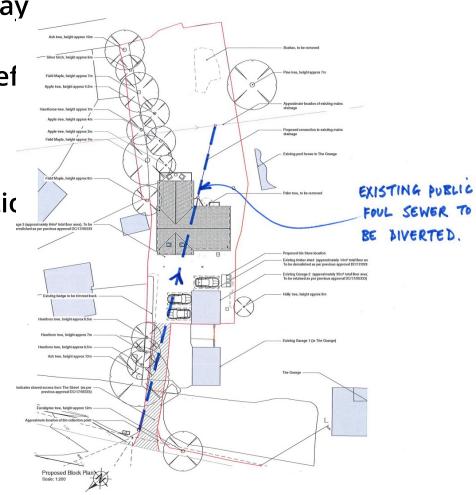




Legal Issues

- Boundary ownership and position
 - To get the building position right
 - Is a party wall surveyor needed
- Access to adoptable highway (ransom strips)
- Rights of way to plot's benef
- Rights of way for others
- Restrictive covenants
- Rights for services connectic
- Rights of light
- Easements
- Disputes......





Legal matters

Access arrangements

Check the access arrangements

- Legal ownership of the access directly to the adopted highway or
- Legal right of way to access the plot for the benefit of the house
- Can visibility splays (planning condition for safety) be implemented?
- Are there delivery or construction restrictions
- Are there 'ransom strips' that must be crossed to gain access
- Any impact from multiple ownership of private roads
- Settle covenants and ransom strips in principle before committing to buy the plot or start the build







Ground investigations

Always complete a ground investigation - If in Doubt dig a hole (Before you exchange contracts)

Ground investigations will investigate the nature of the ground to be able to design the most appropriate foundation method. They consider;

- The bearing capacity of the ground
- Depth of natural vegetation
- Identify filled or disturbed soil
- Locate rock and assess its suitability
- Locate streams/water courses and depth of ground water
- Identify any contamination & gases
- Consider existing buildings / foundations / trees and their impact on the new foundation







Check for hazards

Before commencing any excavation work on site you must ensure the site is checked for hazards. Typical hazards include:

Buried services – electricity, gas, water, telecommunications

Overhead services – electricity and telecommunications

Contaminated ground

Shelters, cellars, shafts and manholes.

Ask the utility companies and your groundwork contractor for advice.





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Foundation design

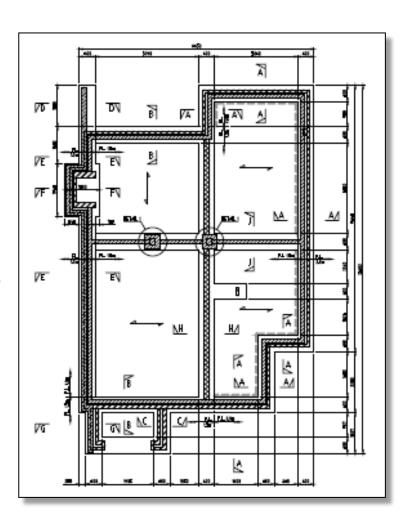
Ground investigations help specialist engineers design the foundations – Benefits;

Much more efficient
Will comply with regulations
Keeps warranty providers happy

Foundation solutions;

- Strip concrete
- Mass trench fill
- Piled foundations & ground beams
- Raft foundations
- Basements







What are they?

- Building Regulation set minimum standards for design and construction of buildings
- Ensure safety and health of people in and around them
- Developed by government with input from industry and public consultation
- Approved by government and implemented by local authorities and independent inspectors
 - Building Notice
 - Give 48 hours notice of start. No advance checking
 - Full Plans Application the best route
 - A thorough check in advance of starting work on site that the design meets the requirements of the regulations.
 - A requirement of many lenders
 - Give 48 hours notice of start



The law

- The regulations themselves are surprisingly brief but gradually getting longer
- Guidance on how to meet the requirements of the regulations is given in a set of Approved Documents
 - Examples and acceptable solutions
- Following the advice in the ADs is not the only way of demonstrating compliance but only the brave (or rash) should take a different approach

Requirement

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Loading

- A1. (1) The building shall be constructed so that the combined dead, imposed and wind loads are sustained and transmitted by it to the ground:
 - (a) safely; and
- (b) without causing such deflection or deformation of any part of the building, or such movement of the ground, as will impair the stability of any part of another building.
- (2) In assessing whether a building complies with sub-paragraph (1) regard shall be had to the imposed and wind loads to which it is likely to be subjected in the ordinary course of its use for the purpose for which it is intended.

Ground movement

- A2. The building shall be constructed so that ground movement caused by:
 - (a) swelling, shrinkage or freezing of the subsoil; or
- (b) land-slip or subsidence (other than subsidence arising from shrinkage), in so far as the risk can be reasonably foreseen, will not impair the stability of any part of the building.

Requirement

Disproportionate collapse

A3. The building shall be constructed so that in the event of an accident the building will not suffer collapse to an extent disproportionate to the cause.



Approved documents



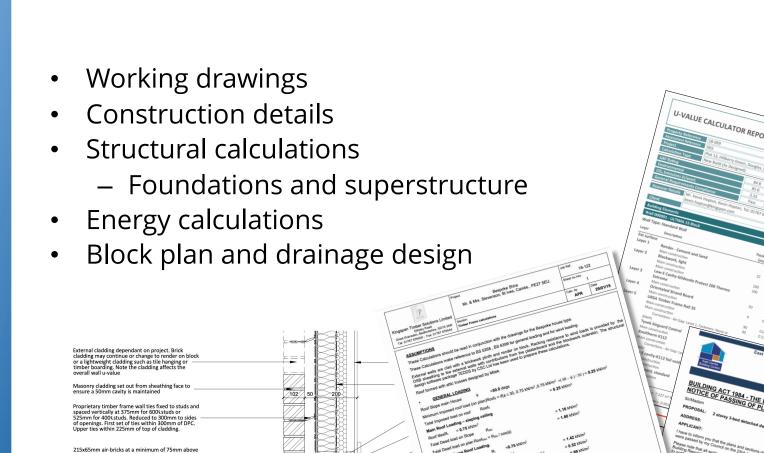
 Approved documents can be found here: https://www.planningportal.co.uk/info/20
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| Materials & Workmanship | Reg 7 |
| Structural Safety | Α |
| Fire Safety | В |
| Site preparation and resistance to contaminants and moisture | С |
| Toxic substances | D |
| Resistance to the passage of sound | Е |
| Ventilation | F |
| Sanitation, hot water safety and water efficiency | G |
| Drainage and waste disposal | Н |

| | Part |
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| Heat producing appliances | J |
| Protection from falling | K |
| Conservation of fuel and power | L |
| Access to and use of buildings | M |
| Overheating | 0 |
| Electrical safety | Р |
| Security | Q |
| Physical infrastructure for high- speed electronic communications networks | R |
| Infrastructure for charging electric vehicles | S |

A typical full plans application includes...





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indicative only. Actual type / size of foundation grade of concrete and reinforcement by a suitably qualified person based on the nature of

ground level with telescopic void ventilator througl cavity to provide underfloor ventilation. Avoid locating beneath external doors.

Weep holes / open perpends at max. 1.5m centres

Dashed line represent brickwork position when

REFER TO ORDER DOCUMENTATION FOR SCOPE OF WORKS

Normal Ground level

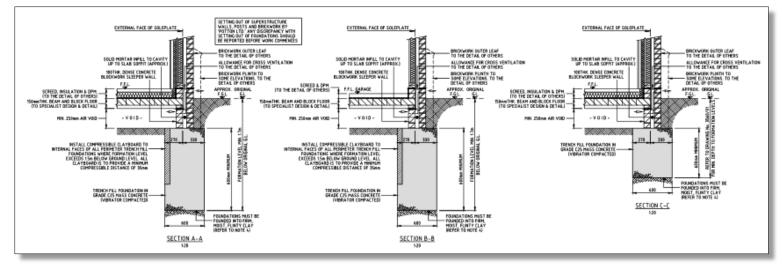
Weak mix concrete cavity fill

Part A – Structural Safety

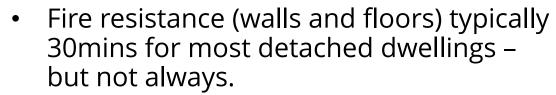
- Ground investigations
- Calculations for both structure and foundations
- Cantilevered balconies
- Large glazed openings
- Support for masonry







Part B – Fire Safety



- Fire protection in 2.5 storey homes and those with open plan layouts.
- Reaction to fire requirements close to site boundaries
- Structural building elements should have proven fire performance. E.G EN 1365.
- Emergency egress windows must have total area >0.33m² with no dim <450mm and opening below 1100mm above floor level.
- Ensure road provides is sufficient to enable a fire appliance to be within 45m of all points within the dwelling



Part L
Conservation of fuel and power

Energy efficiency



Typical heat loss - Building envelope and element performance



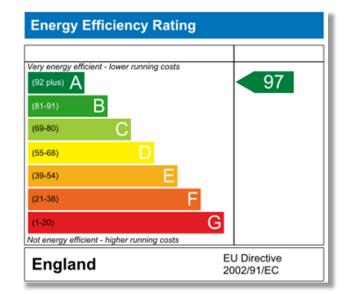
Floor 15%
Draughts 15%

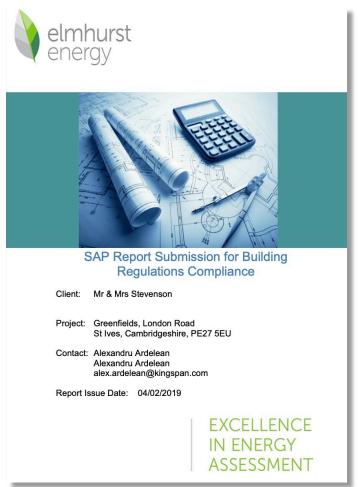
Building Regulations & SAP

Part L **Conservation of Fuel & Power** The Building Regulations 2010 TRAINING

New Part L is @ 30% improvement in Carbon Dioxide emission performance compared to previous version

The SAP measure is given on a scale of 1-100 based upon predicted running costs and reproduced on the EPC (Energy Performance Certificate)





Building Regulations & SAP

Part L1A Conservation of Fuel & Power

Achieving SAP



| Notional Dwelling Specification | | |
|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Roofs | 0.11 W/m2K | |
| Walls | 0.18 W/m2K | |
| Floors | 0.13 W/m2K | |
| Windows and doors | 1.2 W/m2K | |
| Opaque doors | 1.00 W/m2K | |
| Opening areas | Not greater than 25% of TFA | |
| Heating | Gas, interlocked controls, WWHR | |
| Solar PV | Required. Amount based on floor area kWP = 40% GFA/6.5 | |
| Air Tightness | 5.00 m3/hr/m2 at 50 Pa | |
| Thermal bridging | Table R2 psi-values so y = @0.05 | |
| Lighting | Low energy throughout | |

Thermal bridging

This is mission critical photographic evidence of 'as built' required



| Junction Reference | External Wall / Ground Floo (E5) | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| Model Reference | E5 Parallel | | |
| | (Kingspan K103) | | |
| Date Calculated | 09/08/2022 | | |

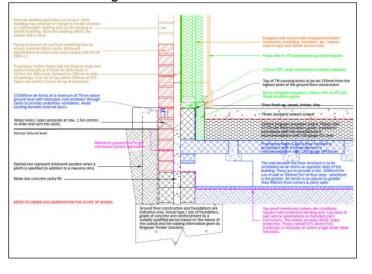
| Total Heat Flow Q (W) | 12.653 | | |
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| ∆T (K) | 20 | | |
| Length Wall lw (m) | 1.5 | | |
| Model Depth (m) | 1 | | |
| Modelling U-value Wall U'w (W/m²K) | 0.118 | | |
| Modelling U-value Floor U'f (W/m²K) | 0.1150 | | |

| Calculated Ψ-value (W/mK) | 0.045 |
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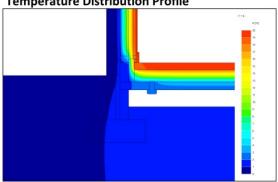
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| External Temperature Te (K) | 0 |
| Intermediate Temperature Tu (K) | 2.13 |
| Min Internal Surface Temperature Tsi (K) | 18.83 |

| Temperature Factor | 0.94 |
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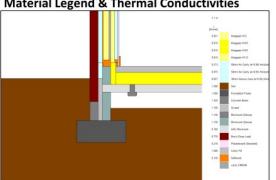
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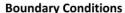


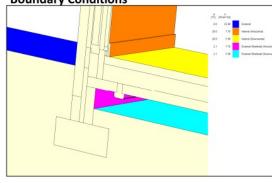




Material Legend & Thermal Conductivities



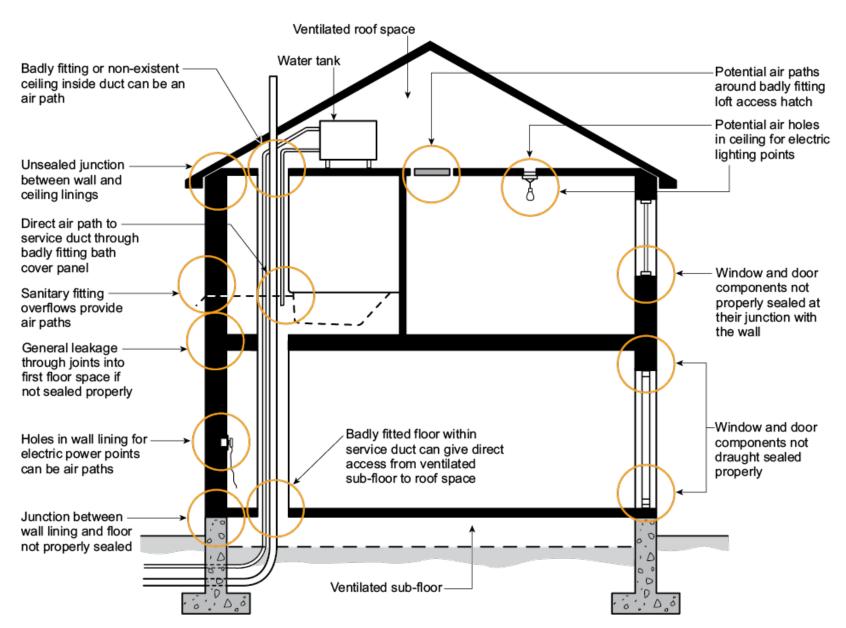




Air-tightness & Ventilation

Photographic evidence of 'as built' required





Air-tightness & Ventilation

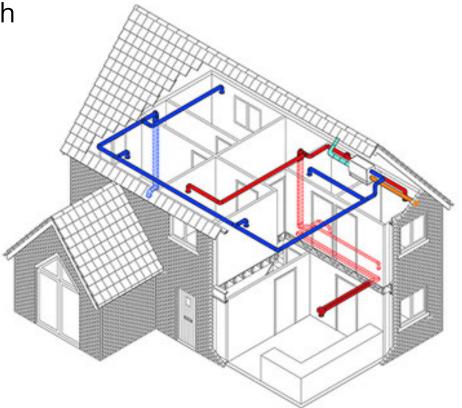
 What is air-tightness target, is there a strategy?

"Build tight - Ventilate right"

 Is MVHR being used? Does a design exist? Does it clash with structural design?

 If background ventilation is natural - by trickle vents then check correct amount can be provided





Building Regulations

Part O - Overheating

- Overheating assessment needed may affect architectural design so do early
 - 1. Limit unwanted solar gains in summer
 - 2. Provide adequate means to remove heat from the indoor environment cross ventilation important.
 - 3. Assessment of glazing, glazed areas and opening characteristics.

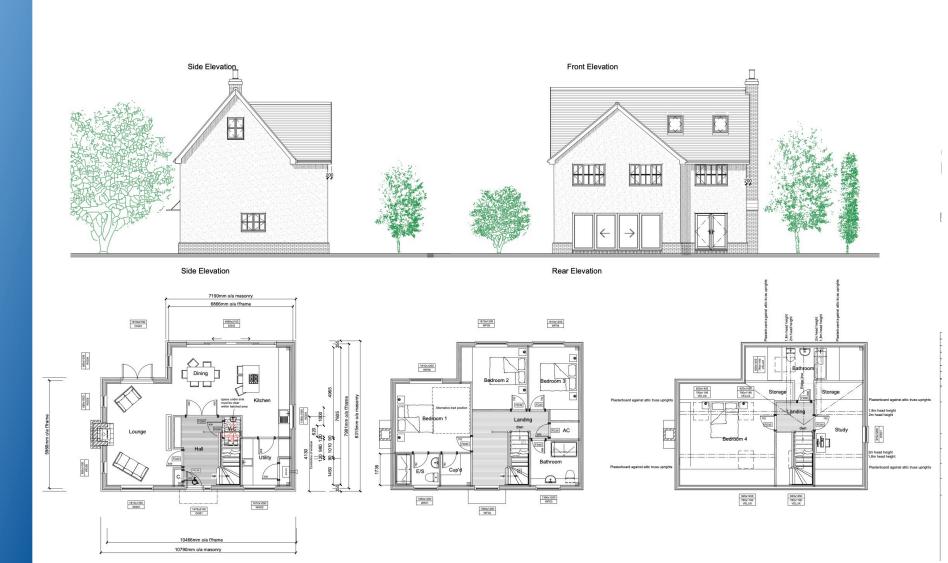


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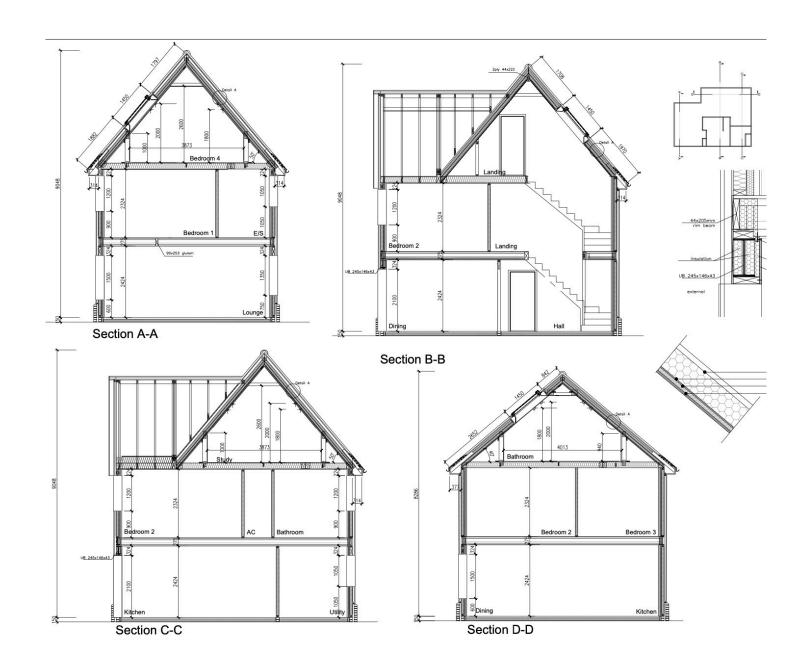




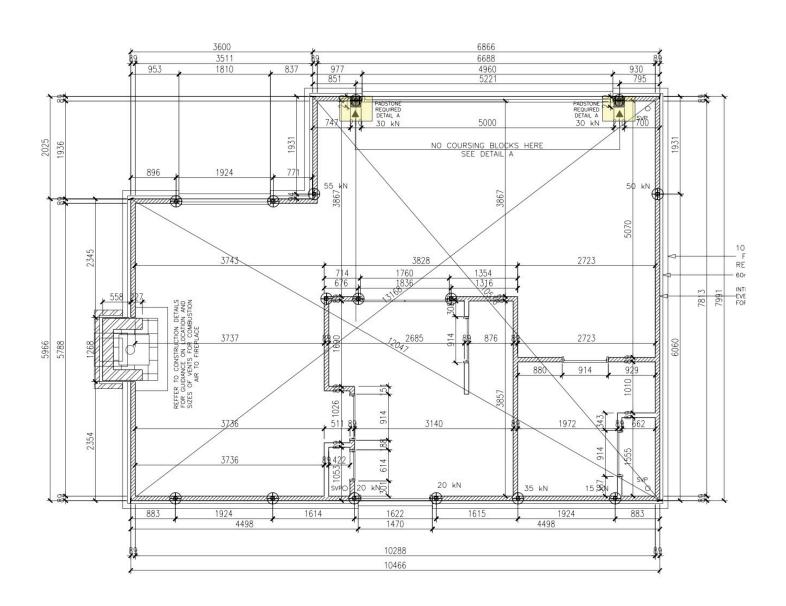






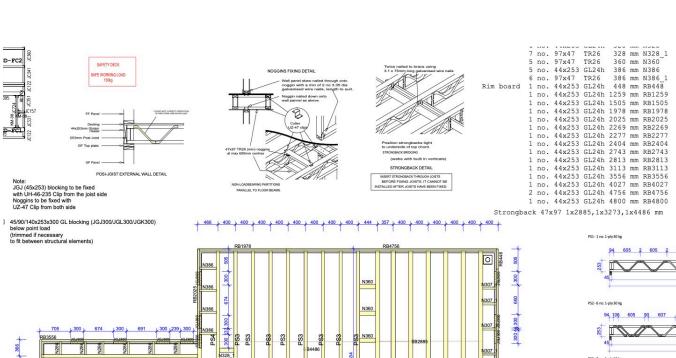






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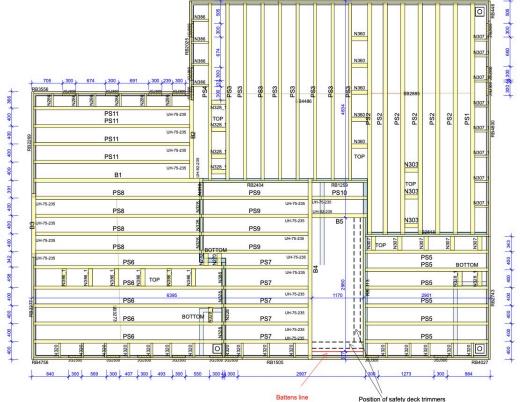




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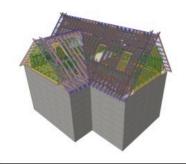
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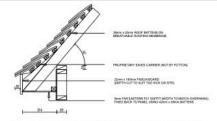
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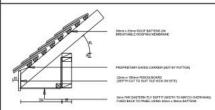






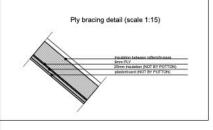
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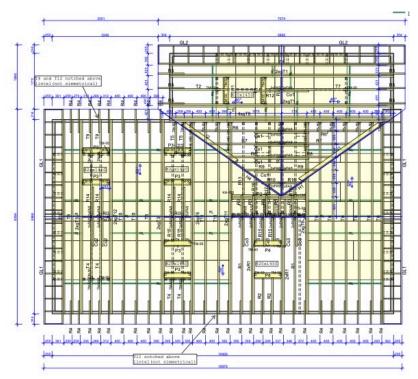
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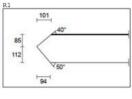
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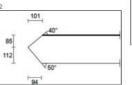


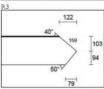


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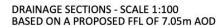
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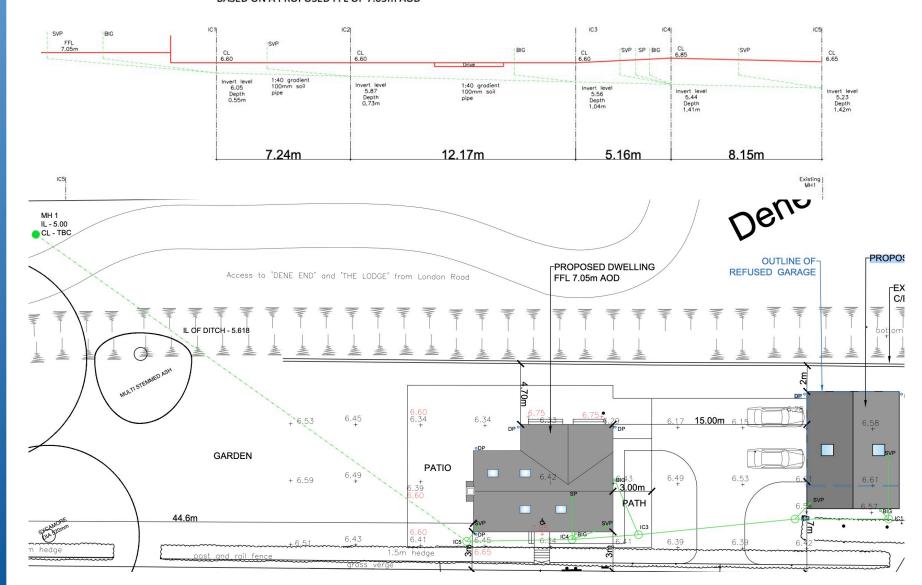




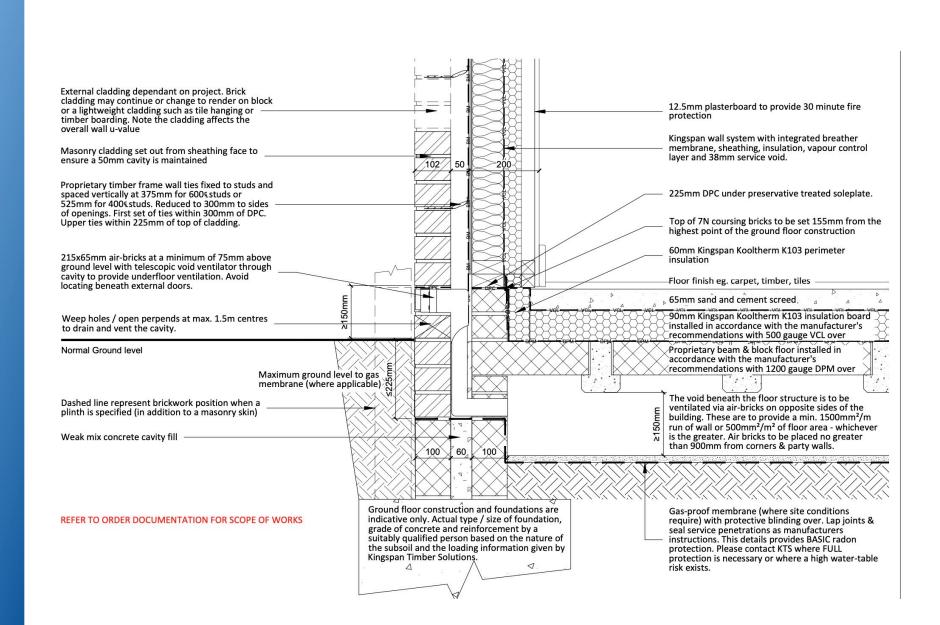












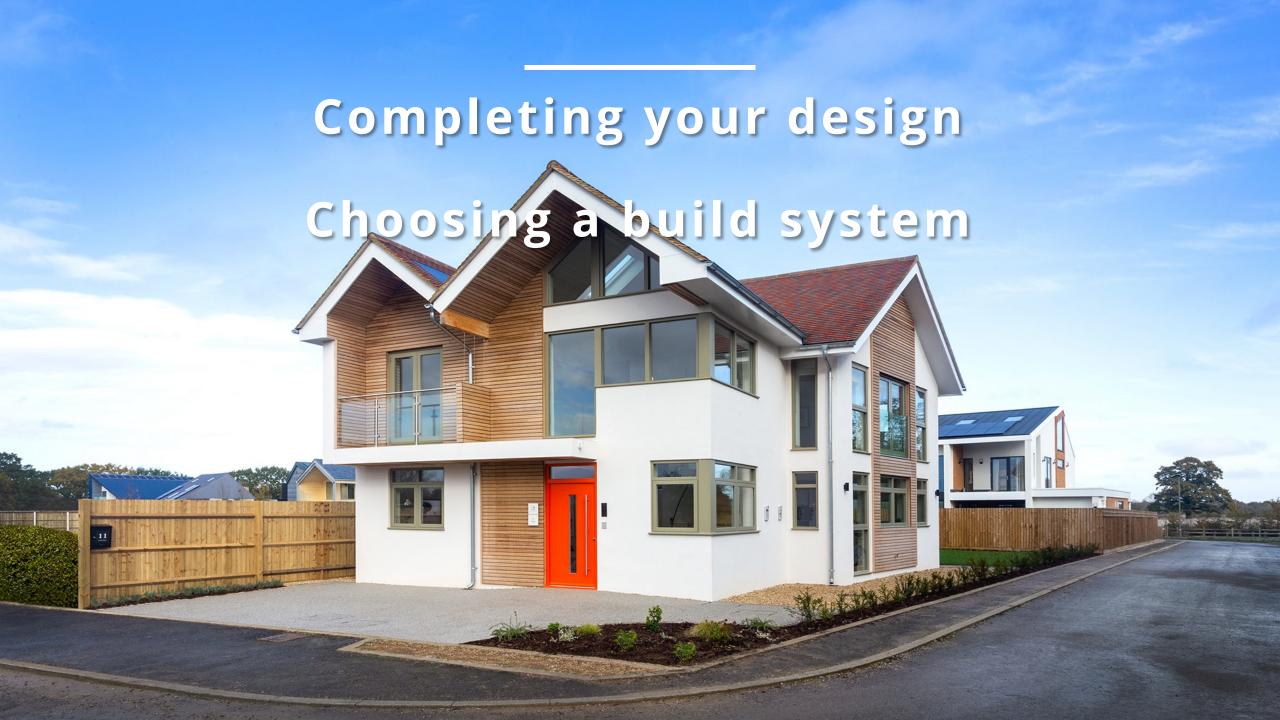
Managing quality

10 year structural warranty

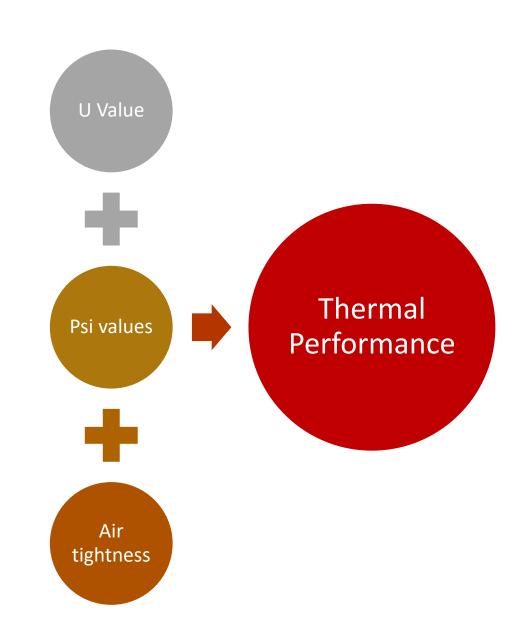
- Absolutely essential in my opinion
- A requirement of your lender
- A good idea if you intend to sell
 - The purchasers conveyancing solicitor will ask for evidence
- For a turnkey project, should be arranged by the builder
- Can be purchased from a number of providers
- Is there an alternative?











Choosing a building system

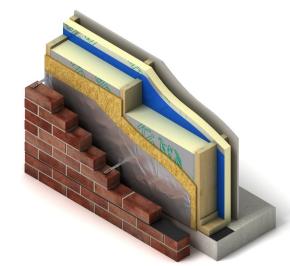
Choosing a building system for your new home is a big decision that in a few cases must be taken early!

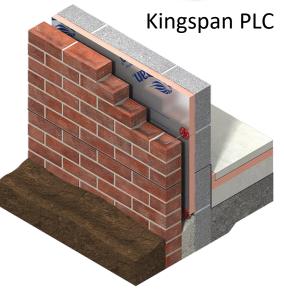
The method you choose to build will have implications on practically every level of your project;

- Cost
- Speed of build
- Performance energy, fire, structure, acoustic
- Design flexibility
- Design and construction responsibility / risk
- Health & Safety

Let's consider some of the pros and cons of the main two options; masonry and timber frame







Timber Systems



English Brothers



- Prefabricated whole house building system forms the structural envelope.
- Building systems include roofing and flooring elements to form a coherent engineered building structure.
- More than structural solutions also underpin thermal, acoustic and fire performance
- Different systems deliver varying levels of thermal performance & design flexibility
- Manufacturers are appointed to design, manufacture and erect the frame offering single point responsibility for the **building structure**





Masonry or Timber?













Build Budgets

Why are budgets important?

- Help to balance what you can afford
- Will give funders confidence
- Provides a shopping list of what to buy.
- Provides the basis of cost control
- Offers an early warning

Budgets should be?

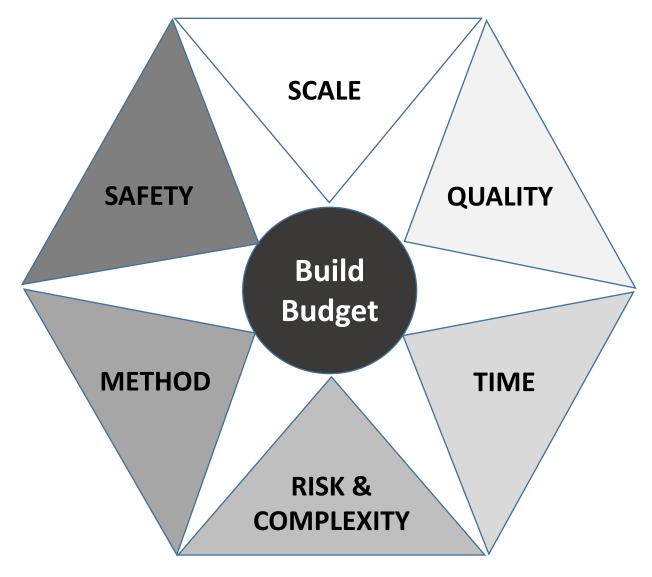
- Put together at the outset of a project.
- Realistic and 'tested' against the market.
- Accurate and reflect the work needed.
- Monitored and updated throughout the build.
- Deliverable and reflective of what you can afford.

Financial problems and over runs usually start life as a bad budget or a half-baked plan!



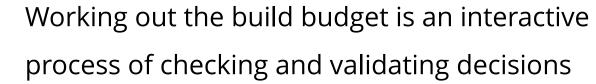
Six factors that affect budgets





All of these factors will be influenced by your experience, level of expertise and knowledge of what things should cost

Putting together a build budget



- 1) Decide how much you want to spend
- 2) Decide how you intend to build
- 3) Set a guide project budget
- 4) Complete the design
- 5) Put together a detailed scope of work
- 6) Validate budget assumptions
 - Quotations
 - Professional advice
 - Comparison with other projects
- 7) Finalise the budget
- 8) Monitor and adjust as the project progresses



What's the industry average cost today?





Source Noble Francis CPA

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A typical New Build Budget – my view

N.B. These allowances are based on an average of 4 typical self build projects



Guide build cost comparisons

Total square meters

Total square feet

Structural Warranty
Site Insurance

Timber frame package Windows and Doors (Inc labour) Strip foundation /Slab External Cladding; brick, render, boarding etc Roof coverings inc velux / dormers / roof line Plastering & screeding Kitchens (inc finishes) Plumbing & Heating (underfloor) Internal Joinery (inc labour) Landscaping (PC Sum) Bathrooms (sanitaryware & tiling) Decoration Scaffolding Electrics Prelims Services connections Staircase (PC Sum)

Total Build Cost
Contingency (say 7.5% - risk dependant)
Client managed cost /m2 (Excluding Contingency)

Client managed cost/ft² (Excluding Contingency)

Total Guide Build Cost (Including Contingency)

Guide prices from Jan 24

| Guide prices from Jan 24 | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Caxton Show Gransden House Showhouse | | Milchester Showhouse | Wickhambrook Showhouse | |
| 162 | 259 | 284 | 267 | |
| 1740 | 2786 | 3057 | 2822 | |
| | | | | |
| £120,124 | £182,393 | £164,884 | £177,386 | |
| £25,010 | £67,137 | £96,191 | £48,453 | |
| £42,000 | £62,320 | £50,545 | £45,816 | |
| £29,924 | £43,911 | £40,104 | £48,172 | |
| £31,113 | £35,447 | £33,110 | £36,918 | |
| £23,700 | £31,100 | £42,600 | £36,000 | |
| £21,000 | £25,000 | £30,000 | £27,000 | |
| £21,400 | £29,320 | £31,580 | £29,887 | |
| £13,574 | £16,682 | £22,472 | £29,710 | |
| £15,425 | £16,611 | £17,798 | £17,204 | |
| £12,136 | £15,280 | £16,001 | £15,900 | |
| £11,967 | £16,228 | £18,200 | £17,566 | |
| £7,950 | £11,865 | £10,679 | £11,865 | |
| £11,200 | £15,400 | £16,900 | £16,000 | |
| £9,000 | £9,000 | £9,000 | £9,000 | |
| £7,500 | £7,500 | £7,500 | £7,500 | |
| £3,560 | £4,746 | £7,119 | £8,306 | |
| £4,500 | £5,500 | £5,850 | £5,500 | |
| £2,575 | £2,575 | £2,750 | £2,675 | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| £413,655 | £598,015 | £623,282 | £590,858 | |
| £31,024 | £44,851 | £46,746 | £44,314 | |
| £2,553 | £2,309 | £2,195 | £2,213 | |
| £238 | £215 | £204 | £209 | |
| £444,680 £642,866 | | £670,028 | £635,172 | |

| Average | |
|---------|--|
| 243 | |
| 2601 | |

1 Cost / m

| 2601 | Cost / m2 |
|----------|-----------|
| | - |
| £161,197 | £663.36 |
| £59,198 | £243.61 |
| £50,170 | £206.46 |
| £40,528 | £166.78 |
| £34,147 | £140.52 |
| £33,350 | £137.24 |
| £25,750 | £105.97 |
| £28,047 | £115.42 |
| £20,610 | £84.81 |
| £16,759 | £68.97 |
| £14,829 | £61.03 |
| £15,990 | £65.80 |
| £10,590 | £43.58 |
| £14,875 | £61.21 |
| £9,000 | £37.04 |
| £7,500 | £30.86 |
| £5,933 | £24.41 |
| £5,338 | £21.97 |
| £2,644 | £10.88 |
| | |
| | |
| £556,452 |] |
| £41,734 |] |
| £2,290 | 1 |
| | 1 |

£214

£598,186

A typical New Build Budget – What others think

Guide prices from Jan 2024

Guide build cost comparisons Total square meters

Total square feet

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| £2,290 | 1 |
| | |

Average

| Client managed cost / m2 | £2,553 | £2,309 | £2,195 | £2,213 |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Project managed cost / m2 (10% Fee) | £2,809 | £2,540 | £2,414 | £2,434 |
| Turnkey builder cost / m2 (22.5% overheads & Profit) | £3,128 | £2,828 | £2,688 | £2,711 |

| £2,290 | |
|--------|--------|
| £2,519 | 110% |
| £2,805 | 122.5% |

On line calculators for a 242m2 two story house of high standard of finishing Guide prices from Nov Sept 2023

| On line calculators for a 2-2-line two story house of high standard of hinshing | Guide prices from Nov Sept 2025 | | | |
|---|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|
| Build It Cost calculator | | £567,734 | | |
| | Builder | £617,102 | | |
| Home Building & Rennovating | Self Manage | N/A | | |
| | Builder | N/A | | |
| RICS Rebuild Calculator (based upon rebuild of existing property) | Builder | £538,000 | | |
| | | | | |
| Average Self Manage | Self Manage | insufficient data | | |
| Average Builder | Builder | _ | | |

| £2,348 |
|--------|
| £2,553 |
| N/A |
| N/A |
| £2,223 |
| |
| |
| £2,388 |

Cost / m2



Is this right for every project

Every project is unique and your choices and decisions will influence the costs involved.

Costs will also be influenced by;

- Personal preferences
- The quality of design
- The build route Self manage or Project Manager or Builder
- How well the project is managed
- Speed of build
- Quality of the finished product

| Timber frame package | 29.0% |
|--|--------|
| Windows and Doors (Inc labour) | 10.6% |
| Strip foundation /Slab | 9.0% |
| External Cladding; brick, render, boarding et | 7.3% |
| Roof coverings inc velux / dormers / roof line | 6.1% |
| Plastering & screeding | 6.0% |
| Kitchens (inc finishes) | 4.6% |
| Plumbing & Heating (underfloor) | 5.0% |
| Internal Joinery (inc labour) | 3.7% |
| Landscaping (PC Sum) | 3.0% |
| Bathrooms (sanitaryware & tiling) | 2.7% |
| Decoration | 2.9% |
| Scaffolding | 1.9% |
| Electrics | 2.7% |
| Prelims | 1.6% |
| Services connections | 1.3% |
| Staircase (PC Sum) | 1.1% |
| Structural Warranty | 1.0% |
| Site Insurance | 0.5% |
| | |
| | |
| Total Build Cost | 100.0% |
| Contingency (say 7.5% - risk dependant) | 7.5% |



Example @ January 2024

Self

£2460/m2

Managed

£2700/m2

Project Managed

Builder

£3000+/m2









Keep things simple, tried and tested

- complex buildings add cost.
- Don't reinvent the wheel, use systems that are proven to work with known cost and recognized by funders.
- Get the interfaces between design elements right – this is where money leaks.
- Complete the design before you start to build. If you can draw it, you can build it!







Always value engineer the proposals

Ask if there's any alternative, cheaper ways to achieve the same thing?

- · A standard process on commercial projects .
- Don't be dissuaded by designers not wanted to revise drawings
- · Know what are must haves and nice to haves.
- Use engineers to avoid unnecessary cost e.g. foundation designs.
- Invest in things that cant be changed at a later date – structure, thermal performance etc.

Areas of cost impact;

- 1. Scale
- 2. Complexity
- 3. Specification
- 4. When things go wrong





Monitoring expenditure



Use a Budget Tracker to monitor spend against budget;

- Simple spread sheet to compare planned v actual.
- Update weekly as information becomes available.
- Take action if things drift.

Tips;

- Make sure costs are realistic and deliverable.
- Compare costs against similar projects.
- Identify areas where savings can be made to land the budget.

| | My Build Budget | | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------|------------|--|--|
| Budget Tracker - Guide build cost comparisons | Budget | Quotation | Final Cost | | |
| INSURANCES | | | | | |
| Structural Warranty | £3,400 | | | | |
| Public Liability and Site Works | £850 | | | | |
| PRELIMINARIES | | | | | |
| Exc Scaffold (See Roof) - Basic Prelims, inc , setting out, skips, plant, CDM | £5,000 | | | | |
| HOUSE CONSTRUCTION | | | | | |
| Foundations and Services | | | | | |
| Strip foundation /Slab | £33,480 | | | | |
| Services - this will be site specific | £6,000 | | | | |
| Potton Package | | | | | |
| Supply and erect frame and insulation package | £116,500 | | | | |
| Supply and install external joinery - Bereco Timber | £45,250 | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| External Cladding, boards and render | £8,500 | | | | |
| Roof coverings | £11,354 | | | | |
| Scaffolding | £8,200 | | | | |
| Brickwork - External Clad and Fireplace | £19,800 | | | | |
| Electrics - White switches and sockets to NHBC requirement | £9,400 | | | | |
| Plumbing and Heating | £12,250 | | | | |
| Plasterboarding Internal wall and roof insulation | £9,200 | | | | |
| Includes floor screed and celing finishes | £8,000 | | | | |
| Skim walls and ceilings | £3,120 | | | | |
| 1st and 2nd fix Joinery - | | | | | |
| Stair, Int door and furniture, architrave and skirting fix only | £6,300 | | | | |
| External Decoration | £3,050 | | | | |
| Internal Decoration | £5,700 | | | | |
| P.C.Sum Renewables | £7,500 | | | | |
| P.C.Sum for Bathroom fittings | | | | | |
| (1500/1500/300) | £3,300 | | | | |
| | £800 | | | | |
| | £2,500 | | | | |
| P.C.Sum for Kitchen Units | £12,000 | | | | |
| P.C.Sum for Appliances | £2,500 | | | | |
| P.C.Sum for Tiling | £1,800 | | | | |
| Total Cost Excluding Land & Insurances | £345,754 | £0 | £0 | | |
| Contingency 5% | £17,288 | £0 | £0 | | |
| | | | | | |
| Total Guide Build Cos | t £363,042 | £0 | f | | |

Plan the cashflow



| | My Build Budget | | | | My Build Cashflow | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------|------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|---------|--|-----------|
| Budget Tracker - Guide build cost comparisons | Budget | Quotation | Final Cost | | Month 1 | Month 2 | Month 3 | Month 4 | Month 5 | Month 6 | Month 7 | Month 8 | Mo |
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| HOUSE CONSTRUCTION | | | | | | | | | | | | | t |
| Foundations and Services | | | | | | | | | | | | | t |
| Strip foundation /Slab | £33,480 | | | 1 | £20,000 | £13,480 | | | | | | | \vdash |
| Services - this will be site specific | £6,000 | | | 1 | 120,000 | 113,400 | | | £3,000 | £3,000 | | | ${f 	au}$ |
| Potton Package | 10,000 | | | 1 | | | | | 13,000 | 13,000 | | | + |
| Supply and erect frame and insulation package | £116,500 | | | 1 | £116,500 | | | | | | | | + |
| Supply and install external joinery - Bereco Timber | £45,250 | | | 1 | £45,250 | | | | | | | | + |
| papping and mistail external joinery - beleto fillibel | 143,230 | | | † | 143,230 | | | | | | | | \vdash |
| External Cladding, boards and render | £8,500 | | | | | | | | £8,500 | | | | \vdash |
| Roof coverings | £11,354 | | | 1 | | | | £11,354 | 10,300 | | | | + |
| Scaffolding | £8,200 | | | 1 | | £2,000 | £2,000 | £2,000 | £2,000 | £200 | | | + |
| Brickwork - External Clad and Fireplace | £19,800 | | | 1 | | £2,000 | 12,000 | 12,000 | £10,000 | | | | + |
| Electrics - White switches and sockets to NHBC requirement | £9,400 | | | 1 | | 12,000 | | | £5,000 | | £2,400 | £2,000 | + |
| Plumbing and Heating | £12,250 | | | 1 | | | | | £6,000 | | £5,000 | | - |
| Plasterboarding Internal wall and roof insulation | £9,200 | | | | | | | | 20,000 | £9,200 | 25,000 | 21,250 | t |
| Includes floor screed and celing finishes | £8,000 | | | | | | | £8,000 | | | | | T |
| Skim walls and ceilings | £3,120 | | | | | | | | | £3,120 | | | t |
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| Contingency 5% | £17,288 | £0 | £0 | | | | | | | | | | Г |
| | | | | Cash in Hand | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | Release of Funds | £130,000 | | £50,000 | | £40,000 | | £46,000 | | |
| | | | | Cash in Hand @ start | £80,000 | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | Cash flow | • | | | | • | • | • | | |
| | | | | Cash @ Start of month | £210,000 | £23,000 | £54,520 | £51,520 | £69,166 | £23,666 | £44,746 | £23,696 | 5 |
| Total Guide Build Cost | £363,042 | £0 | £0 | Total Cost in month | £187,000 | £18,480 | £3,000 | £22,354 | £45,500 | | £21,050 | | _ |
| | , | | | Cash Remaining | £23,000 | £4,520 | £51,520 | £29,166 | | | £23,696 | | - |

VAT



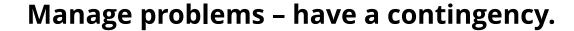


Know the VAT Rules

Some projects are VAT exempt, therefore take care to manage the VAT to avoid losing money.

- VAT should be charged correctly by contractors for the project;
 - New builds zero rated for VAT.
 - Conversions reduced to 5% (must apply).
- For materials only, you have to pay the VAT and reclaim it at completion.
- The arrangements for reclaiming VAT are set out in VAT notice 431N.
- Services provided by subcontractors, such as roofers, bricklayers, plumber. carpenters etc. should all be zero-rated so you shouldn't pay any VAT on these.
- You can claim for most building materials which you purchase yourself, with a few exceptions. As a rule of thumb, building materials must be incorporated into the building or site.
- VAT receipts must be submitted to evidence any claims.
- Have a read https://www.gov.uk/vat-building-new-home.

Manage contingencies



Contingencies are essential for overcoming the unexpected and getting your project finished. Funders will also expect to see a healthy allowance.

All budgets should include a contingency allowance – circa 10% to 20%. The level of contingency will depend upon the project risks.





How you can make an impact?



Figure out where spending your time positively affects the budget

- Firstly, do your research
- DIY might save money unless its done badly.
- Sourcing materials can often save money.
- Think of the opportunity costs.
- Be the bridge between trades.
- Focus on making sure the site is ready for the trades to be productive.
- Don't be indecisive.
- Pay people fairly but always on time.



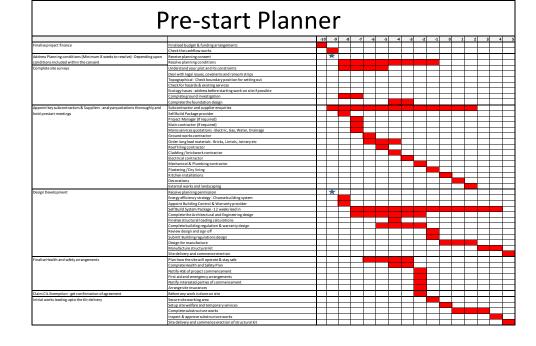


Pre-start Plan

- Very important to ensure you start at the right time.
- Helps to organise consultants to complete their work on time.
- Avoids delays on site which can cost time & money

• Enables the construction phase to be efficient

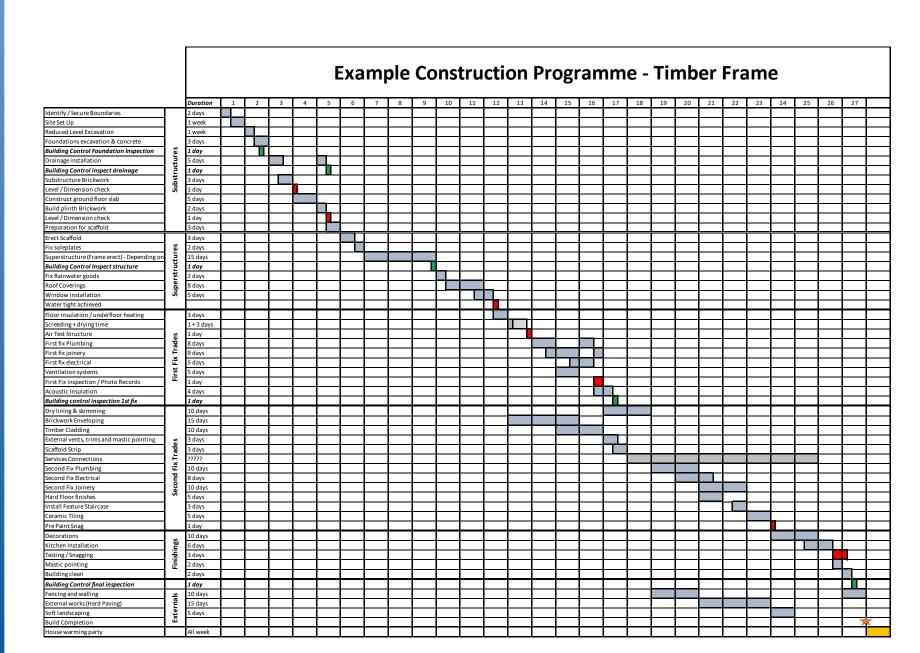
and effective





Typical Build Programme





Short Term Programmes



| | | Week Commencing | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|---|-----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Week Number | | | 1 | | | | | 2 | | |
| Ref. | Task | Duration (Days) | М | Т | W | Т | F | M | Т | W | Т | F |
| 1 | Design packages | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Timber Frame | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | Architectural | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | Foundations | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | Fireplace and Chimney | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Landscape | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Groundwork Package | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | Clear site and reduce levels | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | Hardcore storage and scaffold areas | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | Set out structure | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 12 | Excavate and concrete foundations | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13 | Inner blockwork skin to DPC | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 14 | Concrete block and beam floor | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 | Service trenches and form entries | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16 | Connection to existing sewer | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17 | Storm and foul drainage (including testing) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18 | Hard and soft landscaping | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 19 | Boundary fencing | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 20 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21 | Scaffold Package | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 22 | Erect scaffold for timber frame | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 23 | Adjust scaffold for following trades | | | | | | | | | | | |



Controlling cost

Getting the right contractors



Employ the right people

- 1) Work out which trades should be contract and which shouldn't!
- 2) Be thorough when getting quotations.
 - Know want you want and send out clear, well thought through enquiries
 - Make it easy to price cut the waffle.
 - Read and analyse check the small print and compare quotations.

Consider;

- References Are previous customers happy?
- Visit current builds look for banners.
- Relevant Experience Are they "Self Build Savi"?
- Financial Checks Are they financially stable
- Ask yourself;
 - Are they organised?
 - What does the customer think.
 - Would they be bothered if things go wrong?
- Check their health and safety attitude / record.
- Visit their Offices, look inside their vans.
- Make sure they share your vision and expectations.

Controlling cost –

Getting the right contractors



Make proper appointments;

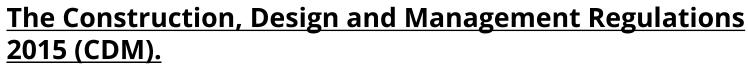
Hold prestart meetings to agree terms;

- The price for the work.
- Accept fixed prices not day rates.
- Scope of work (What's in, What's not)
- Notice period to start.
- Duration of the work.
- Resources required.
- Attendances;
 - power, water and welfare facilities
- How to deal with variations
- Arrangements for communications.
- Inspection, testing and certification.
- Health and safety arrangements .
- Obtain copies of insurances etc.
- Agree retention to be held if any!
- List key design information.
- Agree payment terms .
- Understand VAT implications.
- Understand the implications of retentions.
- Use a contract sometimes but not always!

Is a contract needed?



CDM and the self builder



Self build projects are required to comply!

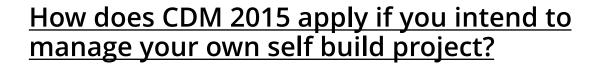
Domestic Clients & 'Self Builders'

- A domestic client is an individual who has construction work carried out on their home that is not done as part of any business.
- The self builder is a 'domestic client' when they are building a home for their residential purposes.
- The only responsibility a domestic client has under CDM 2015 is to appoint a *principal designer* and a *principal contractor* when there is more than one *contractor*.



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V1jLyWTscjs

CDM and the self builder



Where the self builder acts as their own project manager, employing individual trades at different times, thereby taking control of construction work, they must comply with all the matters outlined in Part 4 of CDM 2015.

- The self managing self builder will in effect become a contractor and the HSE will expect self builders to demonstrate sufficient health and safety capability to comply with regulations.
- The expectation on a self builder in this position will be on coordination and management, not on direct supervision of contractors on site.
- The self builder is entitled to expect contractors to plan, manage and monitor their own work in compliance with the CDM Regulations.



CDM and the self builder

What you have to do



- Produce a Construction Phase Safety Plan for the project.
- 2. Consider safe systems of work and make sure contractors put together risk assessments and method statements.
- 3. Make sure the necessary resources (time and money) are available to build safely.
- 4. Ensure the site is safe and secure.
- 5. Arrange appropriate welfare facilities.
- 6. Make First aid and emergency arrangements available.
- 7. Notify the HSE of the site commencement (Form F10) and of any reportable incidents.
 - A construction project is notifiable if the construction work is expected to: last longer than 30 working days and have more than 20 workers working at the same time at any point on the project or exceed 500 person days

CDM and the self builder

Putting together a Construction Phase Plan



Putting together a Construction Phase plan.

- Arrangements for health and safety
- Site Inductions Do's and Don'ts
- Risk Assessments / Method Statements
- Site and contractor insurances
- Competent persons
- Site housekeeping
- Security / Intruders
- Safe systems of work
 - Working at Height Stairwells / Scaffold
 - Safe excavations
- Site Safe Checklist & Inspections
- First aid arrangements
- Emergency procedures & Fire Precautions



Setting up the site







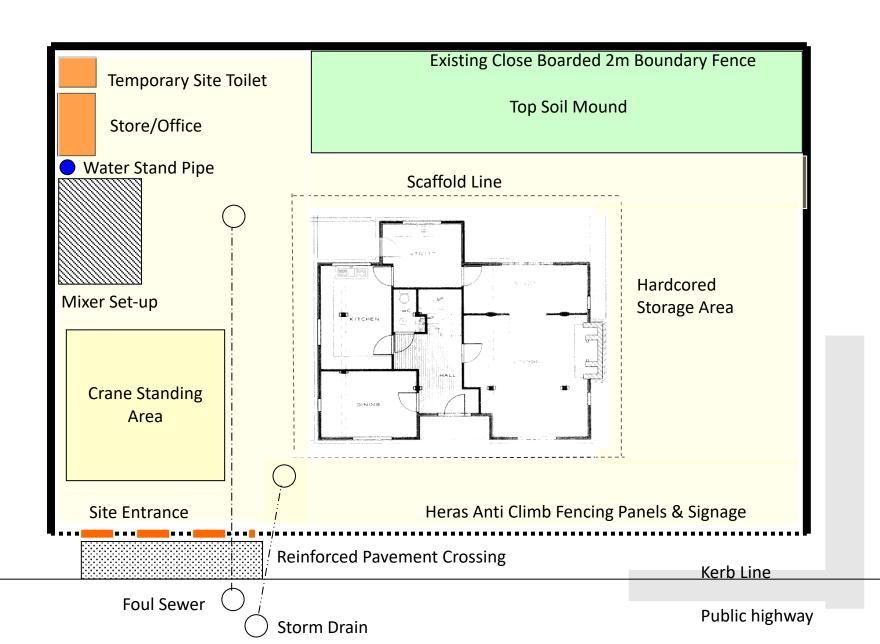




Setting up the site

Site layout plan





Getting ready to start work?

What needs to be in place before you put a spade in the ground



- 1. Work out who's in charge & who is doing what?
- 2. Appoint your team
- 3. Address the planning conditions
- 4. Claim CIL Exemption
- 5. Deal with legal issues
- 6. Appoint warranty provider
- 7. Appoint building Control
- 8. Complete site surveys (ground investigation & hazards)
- 9. Survey the site identify and secure the boundaries
- 10. Work out the energy efficiency strategy
- 11. Select the best build system
- 12. Finalise detailed design (Architectural,& Engineering)



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What needs to be in place before you put a spade in the ground



- 13. Complete the building regulations submission
- 14. Decide route to build
- 15. Gather construction information
- 16. Complete the programmes
- 17. Finalise project finance
- 18. Setup record keeping
- 19. Appoint key subcontractors and suppliers
- 20. Finalise Health and Safety arrangements
- 21. Plan the site layout / access / welfare / temp services
- 22. Apply for services connections
- 23. Arrange site insurance
- 24. Notify interested parties of commencement.





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