

Gary Bone Director

Professional

Qualifications

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Memberships

- Registered RICS Expert
- RICS Expert Witness Certificate
- Member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (MRICS)
- MSc Construction Law and Practice
- BSc Civil Engineering Quantity Surveying
- NVQ Level 4 Association of Accounting Technicians

Profile

Commercial contract disputes advisor, quantity surveyor and Expert with 15+ years' experience working in construction. Operating for professional Consultants, Employers, Main Contractors and Sub-Contractors specialising in Quantity Surveying, Construction Management and independent Expert advice on matters of valuation and costs management in construction and engineering disputes, including delay and disruption related costs, the valuation of variations or compensation events and termination-related costs in international arbitration disputes.

Experience

Blake Newport – Director

Quantum Expert

Assessing the cost of prolongation in care home projects

Instructed as quantum expert on a dispute between a contractor and an employer concerning additional costs as a result of delays during the construction of a care home.

Prepared expert report for use in adjudication.

Instructing Solicitors – Brodies

Assessing the cost of a suspension of work

Instructed as quantum expert on a dispute relating to a valuation of costs by a contractor incurred during an enforced suspension due to defective works by others.

Prepared expert report for use in adjudication.

Instructing Solicitors - Eversheds Sutherland

Assessing costs associated with change in scope for hospital cladding

Instructed as quantum expert on dispute with steelwork supplier over valuation of additional works to steelwork cladding supports.

Prepared expert report for use in adjudication.

Instructing Solicitors – Brodies

Assessing non-payment and the cost of additional work, delay, disruption, prolongation and acceleration

Instructed as quantum expert on a middle east dispute relating to unpaid certifications, unassessed payment applications and the valuation of costs by a subcontractor incurred

for additional work, the fixed cost of omitted work and delay, disruption, prolongation and acceleration.

Prepared expert report for use in international arbitration.

Instructing Solicitors - CMS

Assessing the cost of M&E variations, contra charges, increased costs and loss of profit/overhead recovery

Assisting the quantum expert on a true value dispute between contractor and its subcontractor concerning differences in valuation of additional costs as a result of delays and scope changes during the construction of a community centre.

Prepared expert report for use in adjudication.

Instructing Solicitors – Brodies

£20m Effluent Treatment Plant

NEC4 Option A practical implications review of amendments to standard terms. Post-contract objective review of programme submissions, payments and compensation events and recommendations on corrective actions.

£90m Major Rail Station Piling Subcontract

Secondment to a subcontractor's project team to establish compensation event and clause 32 programme processes. Lead the separate asset teams in the coordinated approach of preparing compensation event quotations and agreement with the main contractor.

£30m Consequential Costs Ground Conditions Dispute

Advising a subcontractor's project team and coordinating the preparation of defence of a consequential costs claim received from the main contractor including the preparation of a ground conditions counter claim.

£18.5m Marine Piling Subcontract

Managing a claims team on a major marine piling NEC3 subcontract involving the preparation and agreement of numerous compensation event quotations including detailed narratives, time and quantum assessments and presentation of overarching time impacts illustration.

£1m Tunnelling Subcontract Adjudication

Appointed as a Tunnelling Subcontractor's Adjudication Representative for the referral of a disputed delay and final account. Preparation of referral documents, reply, rejoinder and attending an Adjudicator's meeting.

£4.8m Pre-Construction Services Agreement

Objective review and advice on strength and weaknesses of a disputed PCSA for a new motor manufacturing facility on behalf of International Construction Company.

Ground Conditions Extension of Time Claim

Preparation of detailed extension of time analysis and claim due to unforeseen ground conditions to facilitate loss and expense entitlement assessment by a piling subcontractor.

PFI Hospital Agreement

Commercial management of procurement and pre-construction a £5m capital expenditure change order on behalf of ProjectCo.

PFI Schools Programme

Preparation and presentation of contract change clause analysis and process flowchart to the contract delivery team.

Extension of Time and Loss and Expense claims

Defence and preparation of various contractor claims for extensions of time and associated delay costs.

Contract Advice and Training

Preparation and delivery of NEC3 training; advising on the implications of NEC and JCT contract clause amendments.

Previous Experience

September 2017 – March 2018 – Quantum Expert

- Preparing an independent expert report on issues of under-certification, prolongation and variations as part of an arbitration on a hospital project in Qatar.
- Preparing an independent expert report on issues of delay and disruption and costs at termination as part of an arbitration on a highways project in Libya.

March 2016 - September 2017 - Commercial Consultant

- Commercial Manager on behalf of Network Rail for a £165m electrification project as part of Crossrail
- ICE Target Cost Contract (with NR 12 amendments)
- Interim valuations and variation assessments
- Budget control, cost reporting and forecasting
- Providing senior management with advice on contract interpretation leading to a deed of variation agreement during a dispute
- Narrative writing following the compilation and interpretation of relevant correspondence, records and photos in preparation of a delay and disruption claim on behalf of a groundworks and concrete frame contractor.

April 2008 – April 2016 - Quantity Surveyor

- Commercial lead for subcontracts on Crossrail C336 Paddington New Yard, Canary Wharf and Wood Wharf
- Direct and Subcontracted cost management
- Extension of Time and Delay and Disruption claim preparation
- NEC3 contract administration
- £125m Reading Station Redevelopment as JV partner with Costain Limited
- JCT Lump Sum Contract (with NR 14 amendments)
- Project Change Manager

- Procurement and commercial management of subcontractors in existing platforms area due a live operating environment
- Commercial monitoring of possession regime
- £160m Kings Cross Station Redevelopment
- ICE Target Cost Contract (with NR 12 amendments)
- Project Change Manager
- Procurement and commercial management of subcontractors in new build concourse area

November 2000 – June 2007 - Accountant

- Preparation of annual accounts and tax returns for multiple clients in various industries
- Audit of year-end financial statements for audit threshold clients