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We are all familiar with high profile construction projects whose final costs have escalated dramatically beyond their original budgets. Wembley Stadium, the Scottish Parliament building and more recently the 2012 London Olympic Games projects readily spring to mind.

### You could be faced with

- rising costs
- delays to the opening of the development
- penalties
- litigation
- claims and counter claims and the substantial extra costs associated with legal fees...
- reduced profits or even a loss!

### It is then too late to ask, 'How realistic were our budgets before we committed to build?'

Owing to the different conditions and varying influences affecting each site, no two construction projects can be considered the same. This makes it more difficult for the whole process to achieve a successful outcome as each project will pose a unique set of challenges.

The calculation of pre build and ongoing costs is never straightforward as all variable factors must be carefully considered so their knock-on effects and likely risk impacts on overall costs can be accurately assessed. The solution is to employ an experienced and prudent Quantity Surveyor & Cost Manager to scrutinise costs before you are committed to build and, once the project is on site, to further monitor construction costs, the construction programme and keep the scheme moving to a successful outcome.

As the quantity surveyor can add real value to the success of a development it makes sense to choose yours wisely. You want one that is pro-active, experienced, thorough, and determined to give the best advice.

### Walker Sime!

Our success is born of attention to detail and close client relationship. We know we are '...only as good as our last project...', so we make sure our clients are more than satisfied with our contribution.

Our core business consists of quantity surveying and financial management of schemes, currently ranging in value from £500,000 up to £150million.

At every stage of the project we will work with our client and design team to clearly understand the requirements of all parties and to control the costs, with the ultimate aim of delivering the development on time and within the pre-determined budget.

To make sure this goal is realised we select the individual surveyor with the most relevant experience to the scheme so they can draw on their own knowledge and add value from day one. The surveyor will then advise the team on the most sensible procurement route, which will balance the key requirements of the scheme with the potential risks.

### Our Surveyors are experienced in the following sectors

- Retail
- Commercial
- Leisure and Hotels
- Residential
- Specialist High Rise
- Engineering Contracts
- Transport
- Health

We can tailor our service to our client's exact requirements and we are also able to act as Employer's Agent on Design and Build schemes. Some of our more typical services follow:

- **Feasibility Estimates and Site Acquisition Studies**
- **Master Plan Cost Modelling**
- **Detailed Cost Planning and Estimates**
- **Quantification of Building Materials**
- **Packaging and Issuing Tenders Documents**
- **Production of Bills of Quantities**
- **Risk and Contingency Analysis**
- **Identification of Procurement Strategy**
- **Production of Construction Management Work Packages**
- **Contract Document Production**
- **Life Cycle Costing**
- **Cash Flow Forecasting**
- **Post Contract Financial Reporting**
- **Post Contract Change of Control, Variation Management and Contract Administration**
- **Final Accounting**

Effective ownership of the project's finances and rigorous administration of contract conditions make a major contribution toward achieving the outcomes we know our clients want. Choosing Walker Sime to manage this process for you will give you the peace of mind that comes from knowing you're in expert hands.

**To find out how we can help you, call 0161 872 9955.**

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