

INNOVATION CHAIN NORTH FRAMEWORK

Why choose us?

MPSL, AJP & Hive have a very similar outlook on where we see the future of construction and by working together under the ICN Framework we can offer a package of specialist services including architectural, planning, surveying and engineering expertise.

Our experience is broad with clients ranging from major developers to individuals with complex bespoke needs.

Our projects include open market homes, affordable homes, private rented and mixed tenures as well as specific schemes for people with disabilities and special needs.

Our relationships set us apart with well established relationships with senior officers at Local Authorities and Homes England. As a result, partnership working with local authorities is a particular strength of our consultancy offer.

Our communication is based on developing professional and effective relationships with our clients, as well as the wider project team, to ensure projects are delivered at pace and in keeping with the client's requirements.

Our expertise and knowledge integrate

design, planning, surveying and engineering skills to assist a wide range of clients to deliver development sites across the north of England. We ensure that any proposals are viable and deliverable, whilst at the same time foster close working relationships with Council officers and members, working towards a planning policy complaint outcome.

Our way of working collaboratively is at the core of our approach to delivering projects, with the identification of clear project leads and lines of communication at the outset. This is both between the client and ourselves, as well as within the project team. We also pride ourselves on the collaborative approach we take to working with local planning authorities, maintaining and building strong partnerships with case officers, as well as working innovatively with local communities to ensure that development proposals positively respond to engagement.

Who we are

MPSL Planning and Design

MPSL are a multi-disciplinary design studio with over 20 years' experience in the house building sector. We are committed to providing a first-class service to our customers and we strive to exceed their expectations throughout the design and delivery journey. We believe in high quality architecture and create designs that everyone associated with the project can be proud of. Our designs are underpinned with good working practice and sustainable construction methods together with technical data and support which is fully synchronized with current legislation. We deliver all your architectural needs from masterplanning and pre application right through to Technical services and hands on site project management.

Hive Land & Planning

Hive offers a full planning and development consultancy service which is focussed on delivering development sites. We offer our public and private sector clients robust and expert planning and delivery advice on their sites. Hive has a strong track record of securing outline and detailed planning applications, as well as reserved matters, amendments under Section 73 or section 96, condition discharge and Section 106 negotiations. Site promotion, including participation at Local Plan Examinations is another key planning service we offer. We also provide the full range of delivery and surveying services from site identification and evaluation, including market advice, right through the de-risking process to disposal or a start on site.

Alan Johnston Partnership

Alan Johnston Partnership is a progressive consulting engineering practice with over 40 years of trusted structural and civil expertise in the construction industry. Founded on the principles of partnership, AJP work openly with clients and contractors to understand service needs and drive excellence beyond expectations. Our collaborative approach has been fundamental to fulfilling shared ambitions on projects with values of up to £250m, through personal and proactive oversight at all stages of development. As one of the first independent consultancy to reach Level II BIM status, AJP are helping clients to deliver smarter design with genuine cost benefits. Our comprehensive site appraisals aim to mitigate risk from the ground up, with sound drainage, remediation, flood risk management and concept layouts.



Client: Great Places/Cube Home

What can we do for you?

A one stop shop for architecture, engineering and town planning services under the Innovation Chain North Framework

MPSL have combined forces with Alan Johnston Partnership & Hive Land

and Planning to offer our expertise as a package to Contractors, Clients and Registered Providers seeking professional and experienced Architects, Engineers and Planning Consultants as a collective 'one stop shop' or individually to suit your requirements. Our multidisciplinary offer allows you to access a professional, experienced team of consultants under one instruction which can save you the time and effort of assembling a team. We are pleased to work with you from project inception, and can even source sites if you require, through to start on site. We understand how critical it is to our clients to complete an early assessment of the site's potential prior to significant investment. We are pleased to offer our services to complete an initial site feasibility prior to a direct appointment.

We have all been appointed to the ICN Framework under the Professional Services Lots – for both the East and West lots.



Who we work with

We work for clients nationally, but have an established track record across the North West, Yorkshire and North East in particular. We are currently advising a wide range of clients on residential-led schemes, including registered providers, contractors, national and regional housebuilders, Homes England, local authorities, strategic land promoters and landowners.





Social Values

Social values play a fundamental role in all that we do. The happiness and wellbeing of those impacted by the places and spaces we create, is of pivotal importance to us. This works to guide, and influence some of the key design decisions we make, ensuring that we are able to provide an ever-improving environmental impact on the communities which our projects serve. Current positive contributions that we are making as organisations include:

 Pro bono work and advice for businesses and organisations struggling with the effects of the Covid-19 lockdowns.

• Education and training initiatives with local schools

 Sponsor and coach local Grassroots Under 11s and Under 9s football and rugby team

• Offices run off 100% renewable energy

Contact us

Please contact the team if you would like to understand further how we can help you. We are flexible to your needs and are open to ways of working-whether your preference is a direct contract award or mini competition.



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How can we help? Our one stop shop of professional services offers a wide range of consultant expertise

from site finding and the technical

layouts and planning permission.

Architect and design studio

assessment of sites through to deliverable

offering a dedicated team of designers, planners,

technicians and consultants. From initial concept

planning through to detailed designs and

technical drawings, expertise in regeneration

We have all your architectural needs covered.

Full planning consultancy services

including co-ordination and management

of complex planning applications, political

leaders and Section 106 negotiations.

engagement with local members and Council

Site identification and brokering services

including sourcing land opportunities across the

north of England for house builders, package

master planning and sustainable construction.

providers and housing associations. Public sector funding

can be sourced and secured from Homes England, MHCLG, One Public Estate if required.

Civil and structural engineering services

including Site Investigations, Flood Risk Assessments, earthworks modelling. We also provide highways and drainage design suitable for adoption by local authorities and utility providers. Structural solutions for a variety of buildings including low rise residential, multi storey buildings in steel, concrete or masonry, also form part of our services.













