



Building your future

Services to the
architecture sector



Audit / Tax / Advisory / Risk

Smart decisions. Lasting value.



“Crowe understands the real estate and design sector, providing expertise and quality financial reporting and taxation advice in a timely and professional manner. They are extremely approachable and have a ‘can-do’ attitude.”

Jagdish Johal
Finance Director, Yoo Worldwide LLP

“The Crowe team has always provided us with good quality advice and speed of service whether it is in regards to audit, tax advice or other consultancy matters anywhere in the world. We can rely on them for timely and practical information in the UK and as we expand abroad.”

Laura Gore
Make Architects



The architecture industry has long been an indicator of the health of the UK economy. Our specialists are passionate about the industry and focused on your future and experience. We help you to make smart decisions today so we can create lasting value tomorrow.

Great architects value creativity, innovation and sustainability in design.

We understand these values – our experience of advising clients in the architecture, professional practices, and real estate sectors can help you succeed.

The architecture industry has unique requirements when it comes to structuring a business, raising finance, managing working capital, tax mitigation and statutory reporting.

Every member of our team has experience of your sector and technical knowledge, and the enthusiasm, to work effectively and collaboratively with you, adding real value to your business.

Our Head of Property & Construction, Stacy Eden, co-chairs the Variety Props Breakfast Committee and is treasurer of the Property and Finance Group.

We are members of:

- The British Property Federation
- The Variety Props Annual Lunch Committee
- Women in Property
- Property Finance Forum.

We are also at the forefront of industry events such as MIPIM and write for key property titles to ensure your voice is heard in the mainstream press.

Quality service
We have a high partner-to-staff ratio which means you will have more quality contact with senior specialists. Our team draw on many years' experience in the architecture industry, bringing together specialists from different disciplines to provide you with a comprehensive and tailored service.

Global collaboration
We are a member of Crowe Global, a network of 213 member firms in over 750 offices. Ranked as the eighth largest global accounting network, together we provide global reach on a human scale. This means we have collective skills to advise you if you operate across different tax and legislative jurisdictions.

How we can help

Our architecture specialists can draw on many years' experience to help you navigate the changing landscape, mitigate risks and achieve your objectives.



**Tax compliance
and advisory**



**Corporate
finance**



**Partnership,
Shareholder and
Director advisory**



**Personal
exit planning**



**Statutory audit
and accounting**



**International
services**



VAT



**Employer
advisory**

Case studies

We have many years' experience providing a wide range of services to architecture businesses. Our team is familiar with advising architecture groups based in the UK, including international groups.

Providing an international resource

We reviewed a client's proposed agreement with an Indian client and identified the exposure to Indian Withholding Taxes. We arranged via Crowe India for the client to be registered for Indian taxes which reduced the rate of withholding suffered. We helped the client insert a grossing up clause into their agreement with the client which enabled them to pass the tax liability onto the client and increase margins.

Incorporating international branches

We advised a client on whether they should incorporate their Australian branch. Considerations included the impact on UK double tax relief, Australian Withholding Taxes, local Australian taxes and whether the new company would still be tax resident in the UK.

We liaised with Crowe Australia to provide a comprehensive survey of the UK/ Australian tax impacts so that the client could be fully informed when deciding whether to incorporate.

VAT

We worked with an architect on a complex commercial and residential development to determine at what stage 'golden brick' has been reached. We were able to determine this before any of the residential units had been constructed, enabling the residential property investor to acquire its land interest VAT-free and secure its borrowings sooner. The developer was also able to improve its cashflow position without compromising its own VAT recovery.

Employers advisory services

We worked with a leading architect in the UK on implementing staff reward packages including employee profit share arrangements, attractive and flexible benefit packages, dealing with relocations (including overseas), consideration of expatriate taxes, and reviewing the tax status of consultants.





Start the conversation

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Crowe UK is a national audit, tax, advisory and risk firm with global reach and local expertise. We are an independent member of Crowe Global, the eighth largest accounting network in the world. With exceptional knowledge of the business environment, our professionals share one commitment, to deliver excellence.

We are trusted by thousands of clients for our specialist advice, our ability to make smart decisions and our readiness to provide lasting value. Our broad technical expertise and deep market knowledge means we are well placed to offer insight and pragmatic advice to all the organisations and individuals with whom we work. Close working relationships are at the heart of our effective service delivery.