

Construction Accountant

Job Title: Construction Accountant

Department: Finance

Reports to: Finance Director

Job Purpose:

To provide financial leadership and management of construction contracts in line with current accounting standards to ensure that profit is maximised. Support the operational management team by providing timely and accurate reports on contract profitability identifying areas of over-spend or concern that will enable corrective action to be taken. Support the finance director to ensure that accounting processes and procedures are maintained and developed to ensure that accurate financial information is held in order to support operational decision making.

Main Accountabilities:

- Assist and report into the Finance Director
- Prepare & maintain timely & accurate financial statements for construction projects in line with IFRS15
- Manage financial accounting ensuring processing is up to date & aligned with agreed deadlines
- Drive process improvements & solve problems to route cause
- Primary finance point of contact for construction contracts
- Work with operational directors/managers to provide accounting information to support decision making
- Review costs and profitability of each construction contract and investigate variances against budget
- Assist the finance director on other projects and tender submissions as necessary
- Provide financial support to other operational areas of the business and support the finance team
- Maintain accounting records relating to construction projects, which comply with statutory and Company requirements.
- Ensuring that the accounting systems allow timely and accurate information to be prepared.
- Responsible for the provision of accurate and timely company financial forecasting information in conjunction with FD.
- Responsible for producing a monthly report on the financial position of contracts.
- Responsible for identifying and reporting any cost overspends on contracts.
- Responsible for implementing and maintaining financial control systems on construction contracts.
- Advise the Board of any financial implications of any activity.
- Provide financial support to other operational areas of the business as required.

Qualifications and Skills:

Essential

- Bachelor's Degree in accounting and/or finance required
- ACMA or ACCA qualified
- 3 to 5+ years of progressive accounting experience

Desirable

- Construction experience – either housebuilding or other projects (hotels)
- IFRS15 experience
- Commercial, operational outlook
- Comfortable dealing with operational management who are non-financial
- Able to mix and get on with people with a good sense of humour
- Experience of setting up accounting processes and procedures and can demonstrate this
- Able to work on own initiative
- Able to see beyond the numbers to identify what is driving them.
- Able to write reports and use excel
- Be flexible and adaptable
- Any systems development or installation experience would be beneficial
- Extensive experience with Sage Projects / Microsoft Projects
- Flexible approach to dealing with and adapting to change.
- Committed to providing excellent customer service
- Ability to respect confidentiality and recognise the importance of data protection.

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