

Health & Safety Consultants and CDM Specialists

# CDM 2015 Solution for **Principal Designer**

For Architects, Surveyors and Engineers

Because protecting your Architectural, Surveying, Engineering practice, role of Principal Contractor and the interests of your clients is important to us, we've made it easy for you to get the CDM Support you need for your business. We will:

 Notify the local area HSE Office on your behalf
 Gather the Pre Construction information ready for tender issue.

•Advise as to the suitability of other designers

Attend design team meetings

• Carry out a detailed CDM Design review from a Health and Safety point of view

Identify initial Design Risk Management issues and provide solutions, not options

Thoroughly review and comment on the Construction Phase Plan

• Ensure effective communication and coordination between team members

Undertake Health and Safety Site Safety
Inspections and Audits.

• Appraise and vet Contractors against industry standards.

Help the Principal Contractor prepare the O&M

Manuals & Health and Safety File

Be available as and when required to answer any CDM queries.

# Your Business is SAFER in our hands ..

It is important that your clients are convinced that they have a safe pair of hands working with them on their projects; our aim is to inspire that confidence by providing you, as Principal Designer, with a first class CDM Support service, covering each and every project, for one affordable cost.

The HSE have updated the CDM regs to bring them in line with the requirements of Directive 92/57/EEC on the implementation of minimum safety and health requirements at temporary or mobile construction sites. This will come into effect from April 6th 2015.

The changes will require better risk assessment at design stage and then stricter controls on health and safety during the construction phase. This will include auditing of contractors' risk assessments and method statements and monitoring that these controls are in place on the site.

#### Also included now are domestic projects such as house extensions.

One change is to remove the present CDM Co-ordinator role and place those duties onto the Principal Designer. This could be the CDMC under a new name or you - the lead designer.

So in effect, it could be down to you, as the Principal Designer, to evaluate and approve the other members of the design team as well as the Principal Contractor's RAMS and ensure that they are carried out on site. You will also be responsible for ensuring the O&M Manuals and Health and Safety File are put together and passed to the client. In addition to your present duties! The Wilkins Safety Group will work with you to provide uncomplicated CDM Support to help address your statutory duties as 'Principal Designer' under the CDM Regulations 2015, within your practice, to ensure both you and your clients' interests are protected and enhance your professional image.

The Wilkins Safety Group offer a CDM Support service designed for Architects and Construction professionals who take on the role of Principal Designer under their own practice

The know-how your business needs when you don't have the necessary expertise in house but need a regular CDM Consultant's input that adds reassurance for your team.

# What are the costs for CDM Support for a Principal Designer?

### CDM Support fees for Architects / Principal designers can be either:

- based on the construction value of the project and be paid in accordance with our present system which is broadly in line with RIBA stages or
- on a Practice retainer basis, invoiced monthly through agreement with an agreed number of hours or days per month, based on a number of projects, their scope, required attendance at design team meetings and undertaking CDM site visits.

#### Are you interested in CDM Support? Your next step:

So, when you're ready to appoint The Wilkins Safety Group as your CDM Support Services provider, or indeed, if you need immediate support – get the ball rolling & call 01458 253682 or Email: jon@wilkinssafety.co.uk