This is a guide to some of the resources available within the British Library Business & IP Centre and other parts of the British Library relevant to the construction and property industries, including architecture and interior design.

Inside you will find sources of information such as market research (statistics, trends, developments), key companies, trade magazines, newsletters, and Internet sources.

This guide will be useful to anyone starting a business within these industries and also for those wanting to further their knowledge within this area.
Start-Up Information

The Cobra database contains practical fact-sheets on all aspects of starting, running and managing a small business – including information on writing business plans, marketing, company structures etc.

It also covers the practical aspects of how to start and run particular types of businesses – outlining necessary skills, regulations, licences and legislation etc. and highlights other sources of information and advice available.

Business Opportunity Profiles (BOP)
Architect BOP319
Buy to Let Landlord BOP362
Carpenter/Joiner BOP056
Chartered Buildings Surveyor BOP133
Commercial Property Agent BOP515
Estate Agent BOP253
General Builder BOP069
Handyman BOP429
Interior Designer BOP154
Plasterer BOP307
Property Maintenance Service BOP423
Residential Letting Agent BOP291

Business Information Fact Sheets
A Guide to the Building Regulations 2010 BIF005
An Introduction to the Construction Industry Scheme BIF456
A Guide to Obtaining Planning Permission BIF031

Small Business Help Books

This is a collection of books with practical information aimed at those starting and running a business. Located in the Centre (unless otherwise specified in text).

Building Regulations in Brief by Ray Tricker & Samantha Allford (Routledge, 2017) [Non Print Legal Deposit – access through Explore the British Library, onsite only]
Introduction to UK building regulations for construction workers, architects, students and DIY enthusiasts.

Buy to Let Investment (Matador, 2014) [YKL.2015.a.176 – order using Explore the British Library]
Short guide to buy to let.
The Buy to Let Manual: how to invest for Profit in Residential Property and Manage the Letting Yourself by Tony Booth (How To Booth, 2008) [Non Print Legal Deposit – access via Explore the British Library, onsite only]


How to Buy Overseas Property Safely by the Association of International Property Professionals, 2017 Includes a list of overseas property professionals. Downloadable free from the associations website: www.aipp.org.uk/resources/publications

How to Buy Property at Auction: the Essential Guide to Winning Property and Buy-to-Let Bargains by Samantha Collett (How to Books, 2014) [Non print Legal Deposit – access through Explore the British Library, onsite only]

Investing in Student Buy to Let Property by Ajay Ahuja (How to Books, 2005) [YK 2005.a.6013 Humanities] (Must be ordered using Explore the British Library) How to make a business out of student accommodation. Some of the prices may be out of date, but much is still useful.

Property Magic by Simon Zutshi (Panorama Press, 2018) [Non Print Legal Deposit – access through Explore the British Library – onsite only] Popular guide on how to become a property developer.
Market Research & Statistics

If you are planning on starting a business you will need to be aware of the latest trends, developments and opportunities within your industry which can all be found from market research.

Market research also covers market size and forecasts, consumer demographics and attitudes, the key players and products and will often include SWOT and PEST analysis showing areas of strength, weakness, opportunities etc.

- Construction: UK Market Synopsis (SYN031)
There are quite a few reports covering specialist aspects of construction and civil engineering on IBISWorld. From home page click on “UK Industry Reports (UK SIC)” and look under Construction heading.

- Building Products (MBD Report) 2014
- Civil Engineering (MBD Report) 2018
- Commercial Mortgages (MBD Reports) 2018
- Commercial Property (MBD Report) 2018
- Consulting Engineers (MBD Report) 2017
- Estate Agents (MBD Report) 2017
- Holiday Rental Property 2017
- House Building (MBD Report) 2017

- Buy to Let
- Conveyancing
- First Time Buyers
- Landlord Insurance

Please note that many articles about these industries (from business journals and newspapers) are available from our electronic sources: ISI Emerging Markets, eMarketer, Business Source Complete (EBSCO), Factiva, ABI Inform Global

Business News & Journals

In order to find the latest news on your topic it is always worth searching Factiva, Business Source Complete and EMIS.

You will find articles from specialist business and academic journals, as well as newspapers and magazines. You may also find market research reports and case studies. As well as profiles of leading industry figures.

You will also find articles covering recent developments, and predicting future trends in your industry.
Printed Market Research Reports (Please ask for help in finding these)

Architects Earnings (The Fees Bureau) [(B) MKT 331.281720920941 BUS]
Architects Markets (The Fees Bureau) [(B) MKT 338.43624 BUS]
Architects Performance (The Fees Bureau) [(B) MKT 338.43720 BUS]
Architects Practice Ownership (The Fees Bureau) [(B) MKT 338.761720941 BUS]

Construction Forecasts (Experian Business Strategies Ltd) [(B) MKT 338.47624 BUS]
Analysis and statistics of current state of construction industry and forecasts. Includes housing, repairs, new infrastructure and non-residential construction.

Construction Industry Forecasts (Construction Products Association) [(B) MKT 338.47624 BUS]
Brief report of all sectors of the construction industry.

European Construction Survey (KHL Group) [(B) MKT 338.47624094 BUS]
Market overview and forecasts plus survey of over 150 European contractors.

Getting the Deal Through: Construction in 32 Juristictions Worldwide (Law Business Research Ltd) [(B) MKT 343.078624 BUS]
Summary of the legal situation concerning construction projects for companies doing business in 32 countries.

Getting the Deal Through: Real Estate in 31 Juristictions Worldwide (Law Business Research Ltd) [(B) MKT 346.0405 BUS]
Summary of legal situation concerning real estate deals for companies doing business in 31 countries.
Housing Market Intelligence Report (Housebuilder Media Ltd) [(B) MKT 363.5084105 BUS]
Overview of the housing market with regional analysis, articles and rankings of house builders. Produced with the House Builders Federation and National Housebuilding Council.

Industry Insights: Construction Skills Network Forecasts 2017-2021
(Construction Industry Training Board / Experian) [(B) MKT 331.1239094101 BUS]
Available to download free from: www.citb.co.uk/research-and-insight/

PIA Property Data Report (Property Industry Alliance)
Available free to download from the Property Industry Alliance’s website here: www.propertyindustryalliance.org/property-data-report/

Prospects for the UK House Building Industry (National House Building Council)
Available to download here: www.nhbcbfoundation.org/publication/prospects-for-the-uk-house-building-industry/

RICS UK Construction Market Survey (Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors) ELD Digital Store
Available to download free here: www.rics.org/uk/knowledge/market-analysis/rics-uk-construction-market-survey/

State of Trade Survey (Federation of Master Builders, quarterly)
Free on their website: www.fmb.org.uk/about-the-fmb/publications/state-of-trade-survey
Covers workload, expected workload, prices, costs, labour etc.
UK Construction: an Economic Analysis of the Sector 2013 (Department for Business, Innovation and Skills)
Available to download free here: www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-construction-economic-analysis

There is a large amount of free information on property markets on some property consultancy websites. See Internet Sources.

Trade Magazines and Newsletters

Useful for gaining inside knowledge, recent trends, industry news, company profiles, reviews of new products and services. Some contain annual reviews and company contact lists. Ordered via Explore the British Library (please ask for help).

ADF Architects Datafile (netMAGmedia, monthly) [(P) WH 00 –E(12) ] (Social Sciences)
Coverage of recent major projects, news and recent product details. Current issue and archive also available here: www.architectsdatafile.co.uk

Architect's Choice (Media One, monthly) [ZC.9.a.6521] (Humanities 0 must be ordered using Explore the British Library)
News and profiles of large developments, topics within the industry, product showcases etc.

The Architects Journal (AJ) (Emap, weekly) [(P) WH 20 –E(6)] (Social Sciences).
Main journal for professional architects. Includes reviews of major projects, political and legislative issues, regional issues and competitions. Online version here: www.architectsjournal.co.uk

British Builder & Developer (Media One, monthly) [(P) WM 142 –E(25)] (Social Sciences)
Surveys and news of new products for architects, builders and designers.
The Builder (McDermott Publishing, monthly) [(P) VY 30 –E(77)] (Social Sciences)
Mostly new product news and company profiles.

Builder and Engineer (Excel Publishing, bi-monthly) [(P) 690.0941 –E(1)] (Science 2)
Construction news and details of exhibitions etc. Ceased publication 2017 but back issues available above. Website now offline.

Building (UBM Information, weekly) [Enquire in Newsroom]
Main newspaper for the building trade. Only available via Newsroom (Newspaper Library). Some free content in online version: www.building.co.uk

Building Design (UBM Built Environment, weekly) [(P) WH 45 –E(4)] (Social Sciences)
Weekly aimed at architects. Surveys of significant developments, management, policy, job adverts etc. www.bdonline.co.uk

Builders Merchants Journal (Faversham House, Monthly) [(P) WN 86 –E(1)] (Social Sciences)
News of the trade, product news, league tables. Covers materials handling, sustainability etc. www.buildersmerchantsjournal.net

Building Engineer (Association of Building Engineers, Monthly) [(P) WH 00 –E(37)] (Social Sciences)
News and developments in building engineering. Includes safety, maintenance, case studies, events, product showcase etc.

Building News (McDermott Publishing, monthly) [(P) WN 86 –E(8)] (Social Sciences)
‘National trade paper for today’s building trade’. New products, company news, case studies etc.
Building Services & Environmental Engineer (Datateam) [(P) WQ 00 –E(32)] (Social Sciences).
Covers air conditioning, lighting, lifts, fire and safety systems, building controls etc. Digital issues available here: www.bsee.co.uk

CIBSE Journal (Cambridge Publishers, Monthly) [(P) 690 –E(4)] (Science 2)
Official journal of the Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers. Includes news, opinion, case studies, appointments etc.
Current and back issues available here: www.cibsejournal.com/magazine

Construction Industry Focus (Exprian, Monthly) [(P) VW 132 –E(8)] (Social Sciences)
Newsletter with reports of construction activity, orders, tenders and regional information.

Construction Manager (Atom Publishing, monthly) [(P) VY 30 –E(86)] (Social Sciences)
www.constructionmanagermagazine.com

Construction News (Emap, weekly) [(P) VX 00 –E(27)] (Social Sciences)
Main weekly newspaper for the construction industry. Includes company and product news, reports on building projects and list of contract leads for the UK. Online version: www.constructionnews.co.uk (mostly subscription but small amount of free content plus sample issue).

DABS: Design, Architecture & Building Specifications (McDermott Publishing, Monthly) [(P) WH 00 –E(44)] (Social Sciences)
**Design Buy Build (DBB)** (MH Media Global, quarterly) [(P) 690.029 BUS] (Business & IP Centre)
Magazine for the construction industry focusing on products for buildings e.g. air-con, heating, flooring, roofing etc. Surveys of recent high profile projects.
[www.designbuybuild.co.uk](http://www.designbuybuild.co.uk) (current and past issues free)

**Estates Gazette** (Reed Business Information, weekly) [enquire in Newsroom]
Weekly newspaper for the property industry including market deals, technical and legal issues. Aimed at estate agents, surveyors and developers. Paper copy only part of the Newsroom collections. Articles available on Factiva (from 2005) and Business Source Complete (from 2002).
[www.estatesgazette.com](http://www.estatesgazette.com) (subscription required for most news)

**Evolution** (CIRIA, half yearly) [ELD Digital Store – access via Explore the British Library, onsite only]
Magazine of the Construction Industry Research and Information Association. Also available free here:

**FIS Focus** (Finishes and Interiors Sector, monthly) [(P) WK 25 –E(9)]
Company, product and contract news on specialist interiors (mostly commercial, office etc.). Formerly Interiors Focus by the Association of Interiors Specialists.
[www.thefis.org/publications/fis-focus](http://www.thefis.org/publications/fis-focus)

**Future Constructor and Architect** (Mixed Media, monthly) [(P) 690.094105 –E(3)] (Science 2)
News, features, product information, company profiles.
[www.fca-magazine.com](http://www.fca-magazine.com)

**Global Construction Review** (Chartered Institute of Building) [(P) VY 30 –E(80) Social Sciences Reading Room]
Also available to read online here: [www.globalconstructionreview.com](http://www.globalconstructionreview.com)

**HA: Housing Association Magazine** [(P) WJ 07 –E(3)] (Social Sciences)
Construction projects, detailed product news and policy issues.
Digital issue here: [www.hamag.co.uk](http://www.hamag.co.uk)
**Housebuilder and Developer** (Netmag Media, bi-monthly) [(P) 690 –E91)] (Science 2)
Construction news, new developments and product profiles.

**Housing Market Report** (Home Builders Federation, monthly) [(P) AL 935 –E(11) BUS] (Business & IP Centre). Issues after 2016 on ELD Digital Store – access through Explore the British Library, onsite only
Statistical newsletter covering the UK housing market including housing supply, consumer demand, numbers of transactions and forecasts.

**Installer** (Lyrical Communications, monthly) [(P) 696.094105 –E(1) BUS]
Magazine for the heating, plumbing and renewables profession.
[www.installeronline.co.uk](http://www.installeronline.co.uk)

**The Journal: RICS Construction Journal** (Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors, bi-monthly) [ZK.9.B.23720 – Humanities) (must be ordered using Explore the British Library)
Covers technical and other issues such as contracting cost management, project management, best practice, law and regulation.
Issues can be read online here: [www.rics.org/uk/news/journals/construction-journal](http://www.rics.org/uk/news/journals/construction-journal)

**Master Builder** (Federation of Master Builders, monthly) [(P) WM 00 –E(23)]
News for the industry including regional news, health and safety, training, products etc.

**Natural Stone Specialist** (QMJ, monthly) [(P) W 23 –E(3)]
Trade news, company profiles, major projects and product adverts.
[www.stonespecialist.com](http://www.stonespecialist.com)
The Negotiator (Property Drum, monthly) [REG2252 – Humanities] (must be ordered using Explore the British Library)
Trade news, company profiles, major projects and product adverts.

New Steel Construction (British Constructional Steelwork Association, bi-monthly) [(P) VY 87 –E(20)] (Social Sciences)
Major projects, safety a technical issues, contract information.
www.newsteelconstruction.com

Professional Builders Merchant (Hamerville Magazines, monthly) [(P) WN 86 – E(7)] (Social Sciences)
News magazine for builders’, plumbers’ and timber merchants.
Website for magazine (some free product information): 
www.professionalbuildersmerchant.co.uk

Professional Housebuilder and Property Developer (Hamerville Magazines, monthly) [(P) 338.4769080941 –E(1)] (Business & IP Centre)
News of new products, company profiles, developments.

Property Investor News (Farscape Ltd., monthly) [(P) AL 935 –E(53)]
News on the property market including overseas news and upcoming auction dates.
www.property-investor-news.com (article summaries free)

Property Journal (RICS, bi-monthly) [(P) 333.33094105 – E(4) (Business & IP Centre)]
Magazine of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors – includes property development, letting, commercial property, management etc.
Current and back issues available on website: www.rics.org.uk/news/journals/property-journal
**Property Professional** (National Federation of Property Professionals, bi-monthly)  
[(P) 333.33094105 – E(1) (Business & IP Centre)]

Covers most aspects of property including management, renting, development projects etc.
Can be read online here (with back issues): [www.arla.co.uk/magazines](http://www.arla.co.uk/magazines)

**Property Week** (UBM Information, weekly) [Enquire in Newsroom]

Magazine covering the latest news, features and comment on the international commercial property markets. Paper copy only via Newsroom. Articles available on Factiva (from 1995, onsite via database)
[www.propertyweek.com](http://www.propertyweek.com) (subscriber access to most information)

**Property Week International** (UMI Information, twice yearly) [[(P) 333.33 –E(1)]]
(Business & IP Centre)

Twice yearly international supplement of the above magazine covering global topics.

**PSBJ: Public Sector Build Journal** (Mixed Media Information, monthly)  
[ZK.9.6.29730 – Humanities, order though Explore the British Library]

News on public building projects.
Recent issues available on website: [www.psbj.co.uk/magazine/issues](http://www.psbj.co.uk/magazine/issues)

**Public Sector Building** (Koru Media, monthly)  
[(P) WM 00 –E(84)] (Social Sciences)

Mostly news of new building projects in the public sector and product news.

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**Real Estate Report** (BMI Research, quarterly) [Available in the Centre on the ISI Emerging Markets database – ask staff for help]

Large range of country sector reports covering many countries with titles e.g. ‘Bahrain Real Estate Report’ covering developments, markets and major issues in each country.
Refurb and Renew (Waverley Communications, monthly) [(P) 620.24 –E1) BUS] (Business & IP Centre)
Specialist magazine for the building refurbishment industry including products, interiors, safety etc.

RIDBA Journal (Ghyll House, monthly) [(P) 690.892 –E(1)]

Show House (Globespan Media, Monthly) [(P) AL 935 –E(32)]
Glossy magazine with news of the house building market including new building products, sustainability, reports of new housing developments etc.
www.showhouse.co.uk

UK Landlord (National Landlord’s Association, bi-monthly) [(P) 346.410434 –E(1)]
Magazine for landlords in the private rented sector including industry and regional news, key statistics and supplier guide.
www.landlords.org.uk/news-campaigns/uk-landlord-magazine

Directories

Contain lists of companies and industry contacts. Some have annual industry reviews, and specialist articles

Building Conservation Directory (Ten Alps Publishing Ltd, annual) [(B) DIR 720.28802541 BUS]
Specialist suppliers of products and services, consultants, craftspeople in traditional building, refurbishment and design. Also has technical articles, industry information etc.

Building Societies Association Yearbook (BSA, annual) [(B) DIR 332.320941 BUS]
Includes list of members, facts and figures on housing, house prices and lending.

CECA Infrastructure Directory (Ten Alps Publishing, annual) [(B) DIR 624 BUS]
Lists members of the Civil Engineering Contractors Association. Regional breakdown of civil engineering firms etc.
**CLA Business Directory** (Country Land & Business Association, annual) [(B) 338.7029441 BUS]
Directory of services for landowners in agriculture and rural areas including surveyors, property, construction, solicitors and farming. [www.cla.org.uk/businessdirectory](http://www.cla.org.uk/businessdirectory)

Regional listings of association members, specialist services etc.

**Consultancy Guide** (Association for Consultancy & Engineers, annual) [(B) DIR 658.4602541 BUS]
Annual publication for association that includes consulting engineers and property consultants.

**Developer & Housebuilder Yearbook** (Media One Communications, annual) [(B) 690.802941 BUS]
Comprehensive buyers guide for housebuilding industry. Includes product surveys, case studies and market trends.

**Institute of Historic Building Conservation Yearbook** (Cathedral Communications, annual) [(B) DIR 720.288 BUS]
News and analysis of historic building conservation and list of members.

**Interior Design Yearbook** (Media One Communications, annual) [(B) DIR 729.014797 BUS]
Comprehensive and nicely illustrated directory of suppliers for interior designers. Covers furnishing, fittings, lighting, art, soft furnishings, wallcoverings etc. Also extensive analysis on trends and company profiles.
International Bridge Industry Guide (Hemming Group Ltd., annual) [(B) DIR 354.6402941 BUS]
Global directory of companies and suppliers involved in building and planning bridge construction.

LABC National Directory of Services (Ten Alps Publishing, annual) [(B) DURI 354.6402941 BUS]
LABC represents local authority building control teams. Directory for professionals including architects, builders, engineers etc.

Laxton’s Building Price Book (Laxton’s Publishing, annual) [(B) DIR 6925 BUS]
Detailed price guide for builders, surveyors, managers etc. Includes estimates for materials and labour.

The List: The Royal Institute of British Architects Directory of Chartered Practices (Excel Publishing for RIBA, annual) [(B) 338.7617202541 BUS]
Lists RIBA chartered practices across the country by town and indicates which specific sector they specialise in. There are other directories for RIBA nearby covering different sectors e.g. Leisure plus other regional directories.

National Access & Scaffolding Confederation Yearbook (Contract Journal) [(B) DIR 690.028 BUS]
Industry guide and listing of companies in the industry that are members of the Confederation: listing arranged by region and alphabetically. Membership listing also available here: www.nasc.org.uk/membership/find-a-member

National Federation of Builders Directory (Excel Publishing, annual) [(B) DIR 690 BUS]
Lists by area, medium-sized contractors and smaller builders who are members. You can also search on their website: www.builders.org.uk/nfb11/find/search.eb

National Federation of Demolition Contractors Yearbook (NFDC, annual)
Industry listings by region. You can also search on their website: www.demolition-nfdc.com
Natural Stone Directory (QMJ Publishing, annual) [(B) DIR 691.20294 BUS]
Directory of stone suppliers, stone masons, quarries etc.

Natural Stone Source Book & Specifier’s Guide (Stone Federation of Great Britain, annual) [(B) DIR 593.1 BUS]
Listings and profiles of members of the Federation. You can also see a list on their website:

Real Estate Investment Managers (IPE International, annual) [(B) 332.632405 BUS]
Global directory with profiles of the major investment management companies with interests in property. Searchable database available on the website:
https://hub.ipe.com/find-managers

RICS Chartered Surveyors Regional Directory (The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, annual) [(B) DIR 333.08025421 BUS]
Series of regional directories covering the UK. 11 volumes in total.

RICS Directory: Volume 1 & Directory of Firms, Volume 2 – List of Members (Waterlow Legal & Regulatory, annual) [(B) DIR 333.0802541 BUS]
Directory divided into two volumes that contain lists of surveyors, both individuals and firms.

Spon’s Architects’ & Builders’ Price Book (Taylor & Francis, annual) [(B) DIR 338.437120941 BUS]
Product sourcing guide. Covers labour and material costs for building work in construction of and in buildings.

Spon’s External Works and Landscape Price Book (Taylor & Francis, annual) [(B) DIR 33.437120941 BUS]
Product sourcing Guide. Covers labour and materials costs for landscape work, drainage, fencing, paving and street work.
The Tile Association Directory (Kick Start Publishing, annual) [(B) 338.76914 BUS]
Lists manufacturers, suppliers, contractors and retailers of all kinds of tiles. Also searchable on their website: www.tiles.org.uk/directory

Trada Timber Industry Yearbook (Timber Research & Development Association, annual) [(B) 691.1094105 BUS]
Directory of firms in the timber construction industry. Includes news and features. Search facility also on their website: www.trada.co.uk/dir

Tunnels Buyers Guide (Progressive Media Markets, annual) [(B) DIR 624.193025 BUS]
Global guide to people and companies in the tunnel industry with buyers guide section.

UK Plantguide (Ten Alps Publishing, annual) [(B) DIR 624.028 BUS]
Guide to manufacturers, suppliers and hirers of plant equipment.

World Highways Review & Buyers Guide (Route One Publishing, annual) [(B) DIR 338.79627025 BUS]
Guide to locating highway related companies, services, products and review of major technological developments and new products.

Internet Sources
Websites containing free sources of industry statistics, information and contacts.

The AJ
Online version of the Architects Journal. www.architectsjournal.co.uk
Architects Datafile (ADF)
Online version of the magazine including product showcase. Includes archive. www.architectsdatafile.co.uk

Architects Registration Board
Independent regulator of registered architects in private practice. Includes list of members www.arb.org.uk

Association for Consultancy and Engineering
Association of companies involved in large construction projects and engineering. www.acenet.co.uk

Association of Consultant Architects
Represents architects in specialist private practice. Site includes list of members. www.acarchitects.co.uk

Association of International Property Professionals
Site has professional codes of conduct. Downloadable copy of ‘How to Buy Overseas Property Safely’ which has list of members and other useful guides. www.aipp.org.uk

Association of Real Estate Funds
Details of the association plus performance statistics and reports. www.aref.org.uk

Association of Residential Letting Agents (ARLA Propertymark)
Self-regulating body for lettings and letting agents. Site includes details of training plus information for landlords and tenants. Part of Propertymark. www.arla.co.uk

Association of Residential Management Agents
Professionals involved in private residential block management. Site includes information and regulation guides. www.arma.org.uk

Barbour Product Search
Online version of the printed directory. Search for building materials, fittings, installations, services etc. www.barbourproductsearch.info

BD Online
Online version of Building Design, News of the architectural and building sectors including blogs, regulation, sustainability, culture, jobs and events. www.bdonline.co.uk

BNP Paribas
Property consultancy with free market reports on the UK housing, retail and office sectors. www.realestate.bnpparibas.co.uk

British Council for Offices
Association of companies operating in the office property sector. Website includes details of publications and events. www.bco.org.uk

British Precast
Association of concrete manufacturers. Site includes details of the association and full list of members. www.britishprecast.org

British Institute of Interior Design
Independent body for the interior design industry. Website include list of approved suppliers, industry news and a find-a-designer search facility. www.biid.org.uk
British Property Federation
Representing the interests of property owners, developers and investors. Site features list of property owners with their specialisms, property market data, membership, events etc. www.bpf.org.uk

Brownfield Briefing
News on brownfield developments, regulation, technology and jobs. www.brownfieldbriefing.com

BSRIA Ltd.
Non-profit member-based organisation conducting independent research into the construction and building services markets. Other services include building and design support and compliance. Produces some free guides for non-members. www.bsria.co.uk

Builder and Engineer
Online version of the magazine. Includes latest news and company directory. www.builderandengineer.co.uk

Builders Merchants Journal
Online version of the magazine. Includes product news, events diary, and industry news. www.buildersmerchantsjournal.net

Building & Engineering Services Association
Leading professional body for building engineers. Details of the association plus search facility to find members by region and speciality. www.thebesa.com

Building
Online version of the newspaper. Some free news and features, building market intelligence, league tables, case studies, professional development etc. www.building.co.uk

The Building Centre
Independent centre for the built environment, based in Store Street, Bloomsbury. Includes exhibition centre, research and information centre, training facilities, specialist bookshop and services for manufacturers. Also home to various other associations and companies. www.buildingcentre.co.uk

Builders Merchants Federation
Body representing distributors of building products in the UK. www.bmf.org.uk

Building Societies Association
Website includes statistics, consumer factsheets and research. www.bsa.org.uk

BuildingTalk.com
Mainly a product finding website. www.buildingtalk.com

Buildingtrade.org.uk
Portal for the building trade including news search facility, blogs etc. www.buildingtrade.org.uk

Chartered Association of Building Engineers
Professional body for design, construction, evaluation and maintenance of 21 building construction. Site includes directory, events and details of courses. www.cbuilde.com
Chartered Institute of Architectural Technologists
Architectural technologists are concerned with the more technical side of building performance. Site contains details of profession and a find-a-member facility. www.ciat.org.uk

Chartered Institute of Building
This institute is the international voice of the building professional. They also produce research on key issues with the industry. www.ciob.org.uk

CIBSE Journal
Online version of the magazine of the Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers. Includes news, events and archive of issues. www.cibsejournal.com

CIRIA
CIRIA is the Construction Industry Research and Information Association. Site includes publications, some free. Also e-newsletters and the magazine Evolution. www.ciria.org

Construction Industry Training Board
Sector skill council for construction and represents every part of the industry. www.citb.co.uk

City Property Association
Association of property owners and people with interests in property in the City of London. www.citypropertyassociation.com

Civil Engineering Contractors Association (CECA)
 Represents the interests of civil engineering contractors registered in the UK. Includes a list of members. www.ceca.co.uk

Cluttons Market Research
Property consultants with free information on London and Middle East property markets. www.cluttons.com/research-and-publications/market-reports

Construction Enquirer
Online trade publication including news, contract and job information. www.constructionenquirer.com

Construction Fixings Association
Representing the major manufacturers of fixing systems in construction. www.the-cfa.co.uk

Construction Industry Council
Representative forum for the professional bodies, research organisations and specialist business associations in the industry. www.cic.org.uk

Construction Industry Trade Alliance
Building trade association. Site includes product sourcing, health and safety information etc. www.cita.co.uk

Construction Manager
Online version of the Magazine of the Chartered Institute of Building. Includes news, CPD and jobs. www.constructionmanagermagazine.com

Construction News
Website of the magazine of the same title. www.constructionnews.co.uk

Construction Plant Hire Association
Includes a plant hire directory. www.cpa.uk.net
**Construction Products Association**
Represents the interests of UK manufacturers and suppliers of construction products, components and fittings. Site includes free industry reports and guides, industry news etc.  
[www.constructionproducts.org.uk](http://www.constructionproducts.org.uk)

**Country Land & Business Association**
Association for owners of land in the countryside. Site includes business directory.  
[www.cla.org.uk](http://www.cla.org.uk)

**Design Build Buy**
Online version of the magazine. Lots of information on building products.
[www.designbuildbuy.co.uk](http://www.designbuildbuy.co.uk)

**Design Curial**
News on architecture, design and interiors. Includes database of materials and products.
[www.designcurial.com](http://www.designcurial.com)

**Engineering Construction Industry Association**
The ECIA is the principal trade and employer association for the UK engineering construction industry.  
[www.ecia.co.uk](http://www.ecia.co.uk)

**Environment Onsite**
Formerly Sustainable Building. Has some free news on the website.  
[www.environmentonsite.com](http://www.environmentonsite.com)

**ESI.info**
Product searching website for building products, materials, engineering, building design etc. 
[www.esi.info](http://www.esi.info)

**Estates Gazette**
Online version of major property industry newspaper. Site includes news, job adverts, blogs and market data.  
[www.estatesgazette.com](http://www.estatesgazette.com)

**Ethical Property Foundation**
Advises not-for-profit organisations on ethical property investment.  
[www.ethicalproperty.org.uk](http://www.ethicalproperty.org.uk)

**European Property Federation**
Website has details of the pan-European association, events, policy areas.  
[www.epf-fepi.com](http://www.epf-fepi.com)

**Federation of Master Builders**
UK’s largest trade body for the construction industry. Website includes information for consumers and a find-a-builder database.  
[www.fmb.org.uk](http://www.fmb.org.uk)

**Finishes and Interiors Sector**
Association of specialist commercial fit-out companies. Site has details of association, publications, awards etc.  
[www.thefis.org](http://www.thefis.org)

**Forum for the Built Environment**
Networking organisation for the property, development and construction industries. Site includes a knowledge of presentations and documents.  
[www.fbeonline.co.uk](http://www.fbeonline.co.uk)

**Future Constructor and Architect**
Online version of the magazine, news and product information.  
[www.fca-magazine.com](http://www.fca-magazine.com)
Global Construction Review
Online news magazine of the Chartered Institute of Building.
www.globalconstructionreview.com

Gov.uk – Construction Statistics
Page bringing together various government statistics on construction.
www.gov.uk/government/collections/construction-statistics

Gov.uk – Renting Out Your Property (England & Wales)
Details on how to rent out your property from the Government’s website.
www.gov.uk/renting-out-a-property

Health & Safety Executive – Construction Industry Pages
HSE deals with all aspects of safety in the Construction industry.
www.hse.gov.uk/construction

HV Index
Online directory of companies in heating, ventilation and air conditioning.
www hvindex com

Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE)
ICE is the main professional body for civil engineering. Site includes a lot of free information, details of membership, training etc. www.ice.org.uk

Investment Property Forum
Leading UK property investment organisation for individuals. Site includes a research archive, educational programmes and events and details of special interest groups. www.ipf.org.uk

IPE Real Estate
Global market intelligence for institutional real estate management. Includes property news, details of events and white papers. Also has directory of investment management companies under ‘Reference Hub’. www.ipe.com/realestate

Jones Lang LaSalle
Property consultancy with free market research on the UK property market.
www.jll.co.uk/united-kingdom/en-gb/research

Knight Frank Research
Research division of large property consultancy. Many free reports in their Research Library plus global briefings and property news. www.knightfrank.co.uk/research

Land Registry
Government agency regulating property in England and Wales. Site include details of house prices and sales, market data, services for property professionals and guides. Also property search facility (see next link). www.gov.uk/government/organisations/land-registry

Land Registry – Property Search
You can search for owners by address but a small fee is payable for details. http://tinyurl.com/c93s2gg [note long URL shortened by us]

Landlord and Letting Show
Website for annual show at the Barbican in March each year. Includes exhibitor listing.
www.thelandlordandlettingshow.co.uk
LandlordZONE
Portal website for landlords involved in letting property. Practical information on renting and a directory of services. www.landlordzone.co.uk

Lease Advice
Website of the Leasehold Advisory Service offering information and advice about residential leasehold and park homes. www.lease-advice.org

Local Authority Building Control (LABC)
Not for profit organisation representing local authority building control teams in England and Wales. Site includes details of LABC registration services, training etc. www.labc.co.uk

London Planning News
Website of Westminster Property Association but includes news of new developments in 11 London authorities. www.londonplanning.org.uk

Mydeposits
Government sponsored tenancy deposit scheme. www.mydeposits.co.uk

National Association of Estate Agents (NAEA Propertymark)
Details of qualifications, training courses, publications, member’s services, property news and guides for buyers and sellers. Includes housing market reports. www.naea.co.uk

National Association of Valuers and Auctioneers (NAVA Propertymark)
Professional association of auctioneers including property auctioneers. www.nava.org.uk

National Federation of Builders
Trade association for builders and contractors. Find-a-builder facility, details of training etc. www.builders.org.uk

National Federation of Demolition Contractors
Main body for demolition contractors. Yearbook is available free on site and searchable database of members. www.demolition-nfdc.com

National House-Building Council
National UK standards body for house building including inspection services, builder registration and training. Downloadable publications for builders including self-build. www.nhbc.co.uk

National Landlords Association
NLA is the leading association for private residential landlords. Details of services, events, campaigns and news of the industry. www.landlords.org.uk

The Negotiator
Online version of the magazine for residential estate agents. www.thenegotiator.co.uk

NetRegs
NetRegs provides free environmental guidance for small and medium-sized businesses in the UK. www.netregs.gov.uk

Office for National Statistics – Construction Industry Pages
Reports and datasheets for the industry. www.ons.gov.uk/businessindustryandtrade/constructionindustry
Office for National Statistics – Index of Private Housing Rental Prices in Great Britain
Monthly statistics.
www.ons.gov.uk/economy/inflationandpriceindices/bulletins/indexofprivatehousingrentalprices/previousReleases

Office Space London
Area guides to office rental prices and details of offices to rent in London.
www.officespacelondon.com

Professional Builders Merchant
Online version of the magazine with features, news, opinion etc.
www.professionalbuildersmerchant.co.uk

Property Investor News
Online version of the magazine. Includes article archive, events, research and links.
www.property-investor-news.com

Property Industry Alliance
Umbrella body for various property industry organisations. Produced the free Property Data Report. www.propertyindustryalliance.org

Property Week
Online version of the major industry newspaper. www.propertyweek.com

Property Wire
Global property news service including features, free property and market guides.
www.propertywire.com

Propertymark
Umbrella association for various trade bodies connected with property.
www.propertymark.co.uk

Residential Landlords Association
Association for small residential landlords. Website has lots of practical information.
www.rla.org.uk

Revo
Association of companies involved in the retail property sector. www.revocommunity.org

RIBA Product Selector
Product selector for architects and construction companies. Covers construction products and services. www.ribaproductselector.com

RICS Building Cost Information Centre
Part of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. www.rics.org/uk/knowledge/bcis

RICS Find a Surveyor
Website for finding Chartered Surveyors by region and area of practice. Also has news.
www.ricsfirms.com

RICS News & Knowledge
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors website includes a lot of free analysis and newsletters on house and property prices, lettings, construction market etc.
www.rics.org/uk/knowledge
Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA)
RIBA is the main professional body for architects in the UK. Details of services plus find-an-architect search tool. Also details of their library and archive. www.architecture.com

Rural and Industrial Design Building Association
Specialist trade association for builders of agricultural and industrial rural buildings. www.ridba.org.uk

Society of British Interior Designers
Main accrediting body for interior designers in the UK. Site includes details of services, awards, events etc. www.sbid.org

Stone Federation Great Britain
Trade association for natural stone industry. Site includes directory of members and technical information. www.stonefed.org.uk

Timber Trade Federation
Main association for timber trade and the wood construction industry. www.ttf.co.uk

UK Association of Lettings Agents
Represents the interests of lettings and property management companies. www.ukala.org.uk

Urban Land Institute
Network of cross-disciplinary real estate and land experts. www.uli.org

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