



### **Our Company at a glance**

Coast 2 Coast Building Control Ltd was established in 2010 with the aim of providing an alternative to local authority Building Control anywhere in England and Wales. We are able to deal with any type of building work from small domestic extensions through to large commercial building schemes.

We are licenced by and subject to statutory regulation and monitoring by the Construction Industry Council (CIC) [www.cic.org.uk](http://www.cic.org.uk).

We have been rigorously vetted and examined for technical competence, qualifications and procedures before being licensed to operate by the Government's national regulatory body .

Our operating procedures are independently audited under ISO9001 every 12 months.

Our competence is also independently checked every five years by the Construction Industry Council.

Our aim is to guide and assist our clients through the Building Regulation Approval process to ensure a successful completion of their project.

We have in place £5 million Professional Indemnity and £2 Million Public Liability Insurances as required by Government.

# Our Services

## **Building Control**

- Preliminary Assessment of the design
- Submission of notice to Local Authority
- Full plan check
- Consultations with statutory authorities such as the fire brigade
- Site inspections covering the building program
- Certification to show compliance has been achieved

## **Building Control Advisor**

The Building Control Advisor (BCA) is appointed by the Contractor to carry out an independent third-party inspection and certification process on MOJ & Crown premises to ensure compliance with the Crown fire safety design guides.

This individual must be suitably qualified and experienced in Building Control and currently working as a Building Control Practitioner. Coast 2 Coast Building Control can act as your BCA.

## **Fire & Safety Consultancy**

Coast 2 Coast takes fire safety seriously and understand the complexities within this aspect of the Building Regulations for both the commercial and residential builds. We therefore provide a service where you can approach us at an early stage to give an overview of the design before it is submitted to planning.

At an early stage we can give advice on whether extra features should be provided that could affect planning and design issues for the client.

There are many occasions where the current guidance given to help with compliance is not sufficient to achieve the type of design you wish to achieve. At this early stage we can advise if you need a fire engineer to aid you with your design, whom we can work closely with to ensure that both us and the fire brigade will be satisfied as well as your needs.

## **Accessibility**

The world we live in is becoming more diverse. Technology today is making life better for people who have a wide variety of disabilities, enabling them to work, socialise and become increasingly independent.

It is important that developers and designers keep up these changes by creating building with greater accessibilities enabling people to do the everyday things we take for granted.

There are many types of disabilities to cater for and within each disabilities there are many variants, thus making design more challenging. Coast 2 Coast have surveyors who can advise on the legislation and help you move forward using all the latest guidance and knowledge.

The approved document M accepts that it cannot give advice on all types of buildings eg leisure centres and sports venues. Extra thought and care needs to be taken to ensure these buildings are accessible.

It is acknowledged that with existing buildings there can be many restraints. It is always good practice to employ experts to help create an access strategy. This will not only assist the designer, but also enable to end user to have better understanding on how treat all people.

## **Plan Risk Analysis**

Plan checking is part of the process to seek approval under the Building Regulations. For larger and/or complex designs plan checking after planning and just before works are due to commence could be costly if an issue is raised causing a design change, especially if costs have to be re-adjusted after initially being agreed.

From past experiences and ever increasing demand from clients for flexible designs, Coast 2 Coast have found that fire safety, accessibility, and thermal energy are the common areas where problems can be found and can be costly to rectify. Making late alterations often result in a disappointed client who not only ends up with a design they didn't quite want, but also ends up paying a higher price for the re-design and construction.

## **Energy Resourcefulness**

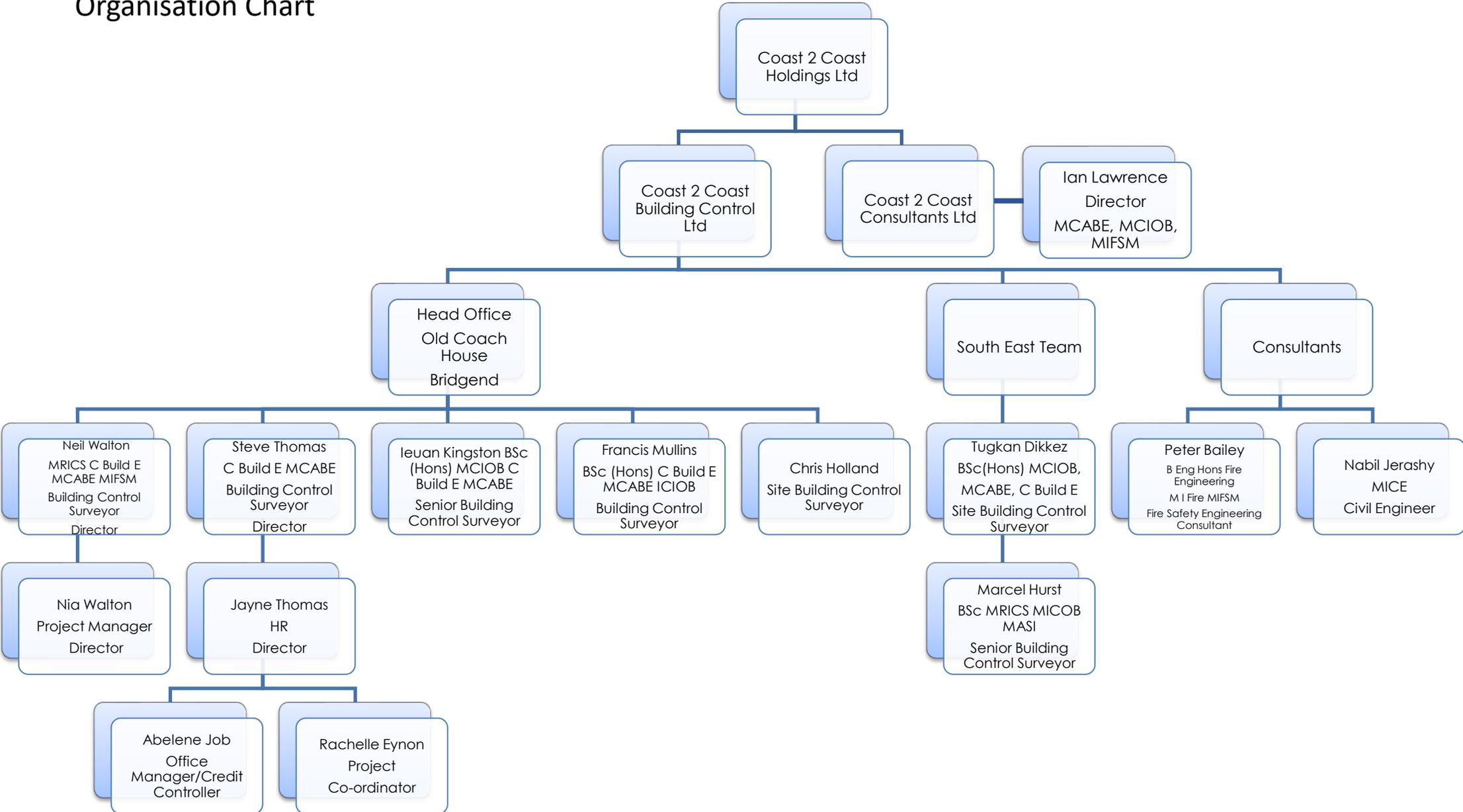
The environment around us is changing and it is our responsibility to ensure that good design and construction methods achieve buildings that:-

- Have a reduction of heat loss CO2emissions
- Are efficient to use throughout their lifespan
- Are constructed using materials more friendly to the environment
- Are constructed using a method that does not harm the environment

It is important that developers are introduced to as many methods and designs that meet the above requirements.

Coast 2 Coast work alongside experts who can advise on the best way forward to not only comply with the Building Regulations, but go beyond and create buildings that will be able to withstand changes that are occurring within our environment.

# Organisation Chart





**Steven D Thomas MCABE**

Director

**Qualifications**

Member of the Chartered Association of Building Engineers

**Education**

Higher National Certificate (HNC) Building Studies - Bridgend Technical College Ordinary  
National Diploma (OND) Building Studies - Bridgend Technical College.

**Business History**

I started my career in 1986 with the Vale of Glamorgan Council as a Trainee Building Control Officer soon after joining Port Talbot Borough Council in 1989 as a Technician.

In 1991 I became a Building Control Officer for Bridgend County Council over seeing work in the area of the Borough and further developing my client skills, in 1989 a year after private companies were permitted to operate in the field of Building Control I joined Tarmac Professional Services as a Building Control Surveyor, which soon changed its name to Carillion Specialist Services as its known today.

While at Carillion I developed a keen interest in high-end residential care premises of which I still specialist in today.

In 2004 I co-founded Celtech Consultancy Limited and in 2010 founded Coast 2 Coast Building Control Limited with my business partner Neil Walton.

I am currently overseeing a number of large residential care premises across the UK.

I am a customer focused individual



**Neil David Walton IFSM C Build E MCABE**  
Director

**Qualifications**

Member of the Institute of Fire Safety Managers  
Member of the Chartered Association of Building Engineers

**Education**

Institute of Building Control Part III  
Diploma in Building Surveying (Building Control)  
Higher National Certificate  
BTec National Certificate

**Business History**

I started my career in 1985 as a student Building Control Surveyor after completing an apprenticeship as a carpenter and joiner.

I became a member of the institute of Building Control in the late 1980's (now merged with the RICS) and obtained a Diploma in Building Surveying (Building Control)

After completing 12 years with local authority, I left the public sector and joined Carillion Specialist Services Welsh office, during my 7 years there I was responsible for the largest single construction project in Europe at that time and saw from beginning to end the three-year, £600 million, GCHQ contract. I can therefore appreciate the conflicts of security and means of escape.

I was also responsible for the redevelopment of Butlins Minehead Skyline Pavilion and surrounding retail buildings

In 2004 I left Carillion, and co- founded Celtech Consultancy an independent approved inspector which doubled its surveyor base by the time I left in 2010 to form Coast 2 Coast Building Control with my business partner Steve Thomas.

My expertise lies in all aspects of Building Control, but I particularly specialises in the Retail and the Hotel sectors, having overseen a number of large hotel developments.

I enjoy working on historic buildings and appreciates the old ways of building and am respectful of the effects of today's legislation has on these buildings.



**Ian Lawrence MCABE, MCIQB**  
Senior Building Control Surveyor

**Qualifications**

Member of the Charter Institute of Builders  
Member of the Chartered Association of Building Engineers

**Education**

University of Greenwich (Design and Construction Management BscHons)  
BTec ONC Civil Engineering  
BTec First Certificate in construction

**Business History**

Ian started his career as a trainee draughtsman for a civil engineering practice and worked on many bridge projects around the world including the links to Hong Kong airport to the Severn Suspension Bridge as well as working on the refurbishment of the National Theatre.

During this time Ian studied part time for 8 years and gained a degree in Design and Construction Management and went on to become a chartered member of the Chartered Institute of Builders and is a Chartered member of the association of Building Engineers.

Ian worked for Westminster Council in Building Control and worked on many projects in the commercial sector including the refurbishments of theatres and hotels a 9-storey mixed used Sainsbury's building and general office refurbishments.

From Westminster Ian worked for Sevenoaks District Council where he gained experience in many types of domestic buildings from small to large scale projects and housing estates. From this Ian went to work with Greenwich council and worked on the O2 project as well as schools and new high-rise flats.

Ian has also worked as a civil servant for the Central Government as a technical advisor and overlooked appeals and policies mainly on disabled access as well as assisting with other parts of the Building Regulations. During this time Ian also sat on the committee for the revision of BS8300 and chaired a sub committee and was involved in production of the new document to aid disabled access to all types of domestic dwellings in DD266 – Accessible homes

Ian joined Coast 2 Coast Building Control in 2014 where he has been responsible for helping to set up and market the offices in Kent and went on to setup and start the management of their new London Office.

With Ian's varied background he understands the design process as well as the Regulatory aspect of building design along with the construction process and therefore is always on hand to find solutions to any potential problems that may arise.

Ian prides himself on working as a team with his clients and being open minded to finding solutions.



**Tukkan Dikkez**  
Senior Site Surveyor

### **Qualifications**

Member of the Chartered Institute of Building (MCIQB)  
Member of Chartered Association of Building Engineers (MCABE)

### **Education**

BSc(Hons) Design & Construction Management  
BTec Building Construction – National Certificate  
BTec Building Construction

### **Business History**

Tukkan has a wealth of experience across the construction industry spanning over 30 years having joined us in 2015.

Tukkan started his career in the refurbishment sector where his time spent with tradesman gave him practical knowledge and experience in different types of construction and refurbishment works. During this period, he wrote specifications and carried out contract administration duties. Tukkan went on to become a projects and contracts manager for large consultants and contractors such as Taylor Woodrow putting him in charge of many commercial refurbishment projects ranging from small £50k projects to multi million pound complex mixed use developments including educational laboratories, lecture theatres, classrooms, office fit outs as well as multi million pound hotel upgrades. Whilst working on these projects he gained a wealth of experience in the health and safety sector particularly on the CDM regulations and had been appointed on several jobs as a Planning Supervisor, CDMC and then later offering CDM advisory services under the CDM 2015 Regulations.

Tukkan has also worked as a contracts manager for aids and adaptations contracts across the entire Westminster area of London where a great level of skills and understanding in this sector was required and he soon became an in-house expert in all aspects of access related issues and adaptation works using his knowledge of Building Regulations and the Equalities Act. Tukkan has carried out multiple access audits and strategies in addition to managing multi million pound project works.

Prior to joining us in 2015 Tukkan held a position as a property manager for a major charity organisation working at senior management level. This entailed dealing with all aspects of property acquisitions, disposals, maintenance and new build projects with multi million pound budgets whilst working alongside external consultants to achieve required targets and deadlines. Tukkan also became experienced in carrying out fire risk assessments during this tenure which later led to writing specifications and producing contract drawings for fire remedial works resulting from his fire risk assessments.

Tukkan joined us in 2015 and is a great asset utilising his wealth of skills from the construction industry into building control and consultancy, being able to assist our clients in many ways with a practical understanding of construction as well as the regulation aspects. Tukkan has recently qualified as a domestic energy assessor and is also on the way to gaining his qualification on new build domestic energy assessments.



**Marcel Hurst BSc. MRICS, MICOB MASI**  
Senior Building Control Surveyor



### **Qualifications**

Member of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors

Member of the Charter Institute of Builders

BSc. In Building Surveying

Fire safety specialist competence validation certificate in association with the institute of fire engineers.

### **Education**

### **Business History**

Marcel is a professionally qualified Chartered Building Surveyor with over 30 years' experience in Building Control.

Currently his time is split between Coast 2 Coast Building Control as a Senior Building Control Surveyor assisting the London Office with site inspections and plan assessment duties in the growing residential and commercial sectors and the Royal Borough of Greenwich as Major Projects Surveyor and more recently Group Area Manager.

Presently as well as being involved with mixed use schemes for Coast 2 Coast Building Control, He is also managing a 20 year re-generation plan in the Greenwich peninsular, including on-site inspections and co-ordinating design meeting and evaluating fire and building regulation design.

Recently he has passed the fire safety specialist competence validation certificate in association with the institute of fire engineers.



**Ieuan Kingston BSc (Hons) MCIOB, C. Build E, MCABE**  
Senior Building Control Surveyor

**Qualifications**

Member of the Chartered Association of Building Engineers  
Member of the Chartered Institute of Building  
2:1 Honours Degree in Building Surveying

**Education**

University of Glamorgan  
Building Surveying Degree  
Ystrad Mynach Technical College  
Ordinary National Diploma (OND) Construction  
City & Guilds in Auto CAD

**Business History**

Ieuan is a professionally qualified Chartered Building Surveyor with specialist experience in Building Control.

He joined Coast 2 Coast Building Control in 2019, but prior to this role was a Senior Building Control Surveyor with another Approved Inspector for 12 years.  
He started his career as a Building Control Surveyor with Newport City Council.

Over his professional career he has gained a wealth of experience in both commercial and domestic sectors, with a client base that includes several specialist loft conversion companies who operate predominantly in Southeast Wales, but he thrives in dealing with specialist residential care homes.



**Francis Mullin**  
Building Control Surveyor

**Qualifications**  
BSc (Hons) C Build E MCABE ICIOB



### **Business History**

Francis has been in the building industry since 1974 working for Cwmbran Development Corporation under the New Towns commission. Developing different forms of construction from traditional build to timber frame and no-fine concrete construction.

In 2005 Francis moved into Building Control for Torfaen Borough Council working on both commercial and domestic building. Also working in partnership with Persimmon Homes new housing developments.

Francis has also worked on the construction of new retail parks and eco friendly buildings such as the first log cabin school in the UK along with an office building constructed from straw bales (cassettes) and wind turbines attached to the building.

Francis joined our team here at Coast 2 Coast as a site surveyor in 2020.



**Chris Holland**  
Site Building Control Surveyor

**Qualifications**  
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**Business History**

Chris joined our team in August 2022 bringing with him over 55 years experience in the building industry. He started his career as an apprentice bricklayer before becoming site foreman. After 7 years Chris joined local government as a building inspector where he stayed for 17 years. In 1990 Chris moved on to Zurich Building Guarantee where he carried out warranty inspections for 17 years. In 2009 Chris started his own company carrying out site inspection services for an Approved Inspector, he undertook this role for 12 years until he joined us at Coast 2 Coast.



## **Our Administration Team**

Here at Coast 2 Coast Building Control we believe that a company specialising in Building Control can only be successful if it has an excellent administration team behind its surveyors.

### **Jayne Thomas**

HR Director

Jayne joined the company in 2010, previously working for Valleys to Coast Housing. Jayne's responsibilities are Payroll and HR and ensuring the support system for the surveyors runs smoothly allowing the technical aspect of the company to succeed.

### **Nia Walton**

Project Manager Director

Nia joined the company in 2010 having previously worked in local authority. Nia's role incorporates the development and upkeep of Coast 2 Coast's Quality Management System, project setup including an interface with clients ensuring their needs are met as their project evolves.

### **Abelene Job**

Credit Controller

Abelene joined us in 2017 to assist the company in financial management, her roles include sales invoicing and credit control and engaging with clients.

### **Rachelle Eynon**

Project Co-ordinator

Rachelle joined the company in 2019 as an Administrator for the business and is responsible for project set-up and assisting clients with enquiries.



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