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## COMPANY PROFILE

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Corporate





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➤ Murray Birrell:  
Exceptional Chartered  
Surveyors, Expert Service

## MISSION STATEMENT

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“ We strive to combine knowledge and efficiency to create successful outcomes while respecting our clients’ needs for each and every project. ”

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# OUR CULTURE

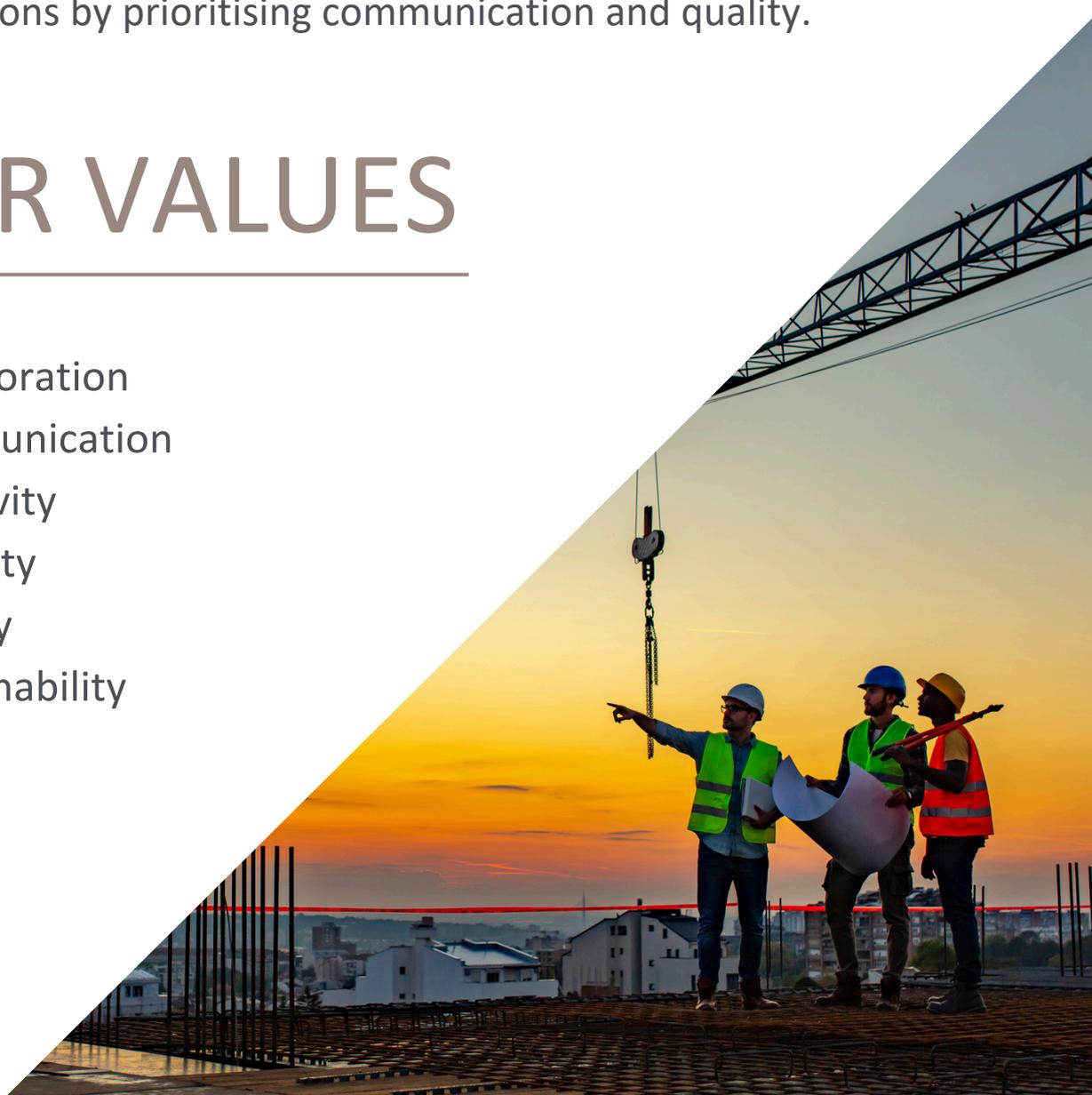
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Our company culture embodies high performance, professionalism, inclusivity and a strong entrepreneurial spirit. We advocate for creativity and innovation, empowering our team to provide an exceptional, personalised service for every project. We cultivate lasting relationships and consistently exceed expectations by prioritising communication and quality.

# OUR VALUES

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- Collaboration
- Communication
- Creativity
- Integrity
- Quality
- Sustainability



# ABOUT US

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Great companies are built by great people, and our team is what makes Murray Birrell Chartered Surveyors such an incredible force in our profession.

Murray Birrell was established in 1992 and is led by a team of extremely dedicated and highly qualified Directors: Stuart Birrell, David Betteridge, Sam Field, Amanda Taber and Hannah Boyd.

Our commitment to excellence drives repeat business and creates long-lasting client relationships. We honour traditional values while embracing innovation, keeping our services industry-leading and aligned with our sustainability goals.

## Murray Birrell



# OUR TEAM

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## **Stuart Birrell FRICS** **Managing Director**

Stuart founded Murray Birrell in 1992 and has worked in private practice for nearly 50 years. Further to qualifying in 1981, Stuart became a Fellow in 1995. In recent years, he has specialised in party wall and neighbourly matters and as an Expert Witness in contract and neighbourly disputes. Stuart is a Board Member of the Pyramus & Thisbe Society, a Learned Society that promotes Education and Excellence in Party Wall Practice.



## **David Betteridge MRICS ACABE** **Director and Head of Specialist Services**

David Betteridge qualified as a Chartered Surveyor in 1989 and has more than 40 years of experience in the property industry. David joined Murray Birrell in 2011 and was elected to the Board as Director in 2015. Additionally, David has also attained Associate status with the Chartered Association of Building Engineers (CABE).



## **Sam Field MRICS MPTS IMaPS** **Director and Head of Construction**

Sam Field has worked in private practice since 1996. Sam joined the firm in 2013, qualified as a Chartered Surveyor in 2018 and was elected to the Board as Director in 2022. Sam is a Liveryman of The Worshipful Company of Coopers and is The Surveyor to The Coopers' Company. Sam is also qualified as an Incorporated Member of the Association for Project Safety.

# OUR TEAM

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## **Amanda Taber BCS (HONS)**

### **Director and Head of Landlord and Tenant Matters**

Amanda is an experienced Building Surveyor who specialises in the technical aspects of Licences to Alter. With over 25 years of experience in the property industry, Amanda is an expert at navigating her clients and applicants through the complete Licence process. Amanda has been with Murray Birrell for nearly 20 years and was promoted to Director in 2024.



## **Hannah Boyd MRICS FPTS**

### **Director and Head of Neighbourly Matters**

Hannah joined Murray Birrell as Director of Neighbourly Matters in 2024, from her previous role as a Director at Anstey Horne. Hannah brings over 10 years of experience dealing with party walls and neighbourly matters and is London Chair of the Pyramus & Thisbe Society, a Learned Society promoting education and excellence in party wall practice.



# OUR CLIENTS

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31-35 Pont Street Freehold Ltd  
Berkeley Homes  
Berkeley Rowe  
British Heart Foundation  
British Land  
Burlington Estates / BPM  
Child & Child  
Churchill Retirement Living  
County Hall Management Co. Ltd  
Crosstree Real Estate Partners  
Devonshires Solicitors  
Egerton Group  
Fitzgeorge & Fitzjames Freehold Limited  
Grosvenor Property UK  
Haig Housing  
Hexagon Housing Association  
JD Wetherspoon  
JFM  
Lamberts Chartered Surveyors  
MacFarlanes Solicitors

Mainstay Group  
Manhattan Loft Corporation  
Montagu Square (EMS) Ltd  
One Housing Group  
Origin Housing  
Rhodium (RH-45) Ltd  
Smith Waters LLP  
Southwark Diocesan Education  
SSAFA, Armed Forces Charity  
Strutt & Parker  
Tanfield Chambers  
Telford Homes  
The Bedford Estates  
The Howard de Walden Estate  
The Portman Estate  
The Worshipful Company of Coopers  
The Worshipful Company of Innholders  
Trophaeum Asset Management  
Trustees of the St Clere Estate  
Weston Homes

# OUR SERVICES

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## CONSTRUCTION

- Contract Administration
- Design and Build / Employer's Agent
- Design and Specification
- Major Repairs and Refurbishment
- Measured Surveys and Drawings
- Principal Designer Role
- Project Management

## LANDLORD & TENANT MATTERS

- Acting on Behalf of the Landlord or Tenant
- Licence for Alterations Services
- Monitoring of Tenant's Alterations

## PARTY WALL & NEIGHBOURLY MATTERS

- Party Wall Consultancy Advice
- Appointment as Building Owner's Surveyor
- Appointment as Adjoining Owner's Surveyor
- Selection as Third Surveyor
- Scaffold Access and Crane Oversail Licences
- Schedules of Condition
- Liaison with Neighbours
- Boundary Disputes

## SPECIALIST SERVICES

- Tenant Fit Out, Project and Fund Monitoring
- Tenant Fit Out Guides and Handbooks
- Building Surveys
- Defects Analysis and Building Pathology
- Dilapidations
- Expert Witness
- Feasibility Studies
- Planning and Listed Building Applications
- Planned Preventative Maintenance (PPM) Surveys
- Measured Surveys and Drawings
- Schedules of Condition - General
- Technical Reports



# OUR PROJECTS

**SERVICE: CONSTRUCTION**



## Weymouth Street – London

### Contract Administration

We carried out comprehensive external repairs and enhancements at Weymouth Street, located in the prestigious Harley Street Conservation Area. The project included refurbishment of the roof, precise Doff stone cleaning, restoration of timber and masonry elements, replacement of the rear roof lantern and redecoration of all painted surfaces.



## Belgravia & Mayfair, London

### Planning Applications & Listed Building Consents

We managed various planning applications and projects involving listed buildings, encompassing a range of works. These efforts focused on enhancing the energy performance of properties through measures such as installation of external air source heat pumps, internal insulation for listed buildings and secondary glazing systems.



## Notting Hill, London

### Building Defects

Defect reporting is crucial in construction for identifying and resolving issues, from minor flaws to major structural problems, ensuring quality and safety. Our services help manage defects, as seen in this Notting Hill project where we addressed roofing defects causing water ingress. This work restored the building's integrity and prevented further damage.

# OUR PROJECTS

**SERVICE: LANDLORD AND TENANT MATTERS**



## Belgravia - Central London **Licence For Alterations**

This project in Belgravia included overseeing a Grade II listed building and transitioned to the role of Landlord's Surveyor following a change in ownership. Additionally, we created a customised Tenant Alterations and Home Improvement Guide, providing advisory services for informal pre-application assessments of proposed tenant modifications.



## Various - Central London **Licence For Alterations**

For over 25 years, Murray Birrell has successfully administered more than 4,000 Licence for Alterations for Landed Estates. Our extensive experience ensures compliance with Lease documentation and Landlord Management Schemes, protecting Freeholders' interests while maintaining strong relationships with key stakeholders.



## Various – Central London **Wayleave Administration**

Murray Birrell's Licence for Alterations team excels in assessing practical cabling routes for integrating properties into the information superhighway. We assist Landlords with fibre optic installation programmes, negotiating wayleave agreements, and securing Local Authority consents, including for a number of Listed Buildings.

# OUR PROJECTS

**SERVICE: SPECIALIST SERVICES**



## Prime Residential - London

### PPM/Capex Plan and Condition Report

With previous in-depth experience of this Grade I Listed John Nash property, Murray Birrell was appointed as Building Surveyor to conduct a desktop review, an inspection of the building fabric and the creation of a 20-year maintenance plan. Challenges included property size, complexity and minimal survey intrusion requirements.



## Mixed Use Buildings - London

### Tenant Fit Out Monitoring

We were appointed as contract administrator for a Logistics Contract and Tenant Management Surveyor across five Fit Out projects, which included three office spaces, a car showroom and a restaurant. This project included coordinating timelines, managing tenant expectations and ensuring designs met Landlord specifications and Fit Out Guide requirements.



## Hotel Construction - London

### Development Monitoring

We ensured full compliance with a Development Agreement throughout a complex property transaction that spanned over a seven-year construction period. This required us to oversee program progress, confirm that structural requirements were fulfilled, and assess the building's appearance, all while maintaining neighbour engagement.

# OUR PROJECTS

**SERVICE: NEIGHBOURLY MATTERS**



## Phillimore Estate, Kensington Building Owner's Surveyor: Party Walls

An extensive and complex project including a new basement, extensions and remodelling of the structure and existing building. This included the installation of ground-sourced heat pumps (176m deep boreholes) Given the project's procurement and design approach, the awards have been divided into four sections.



## Fulham Building Owner's Surveyor: Party Walls

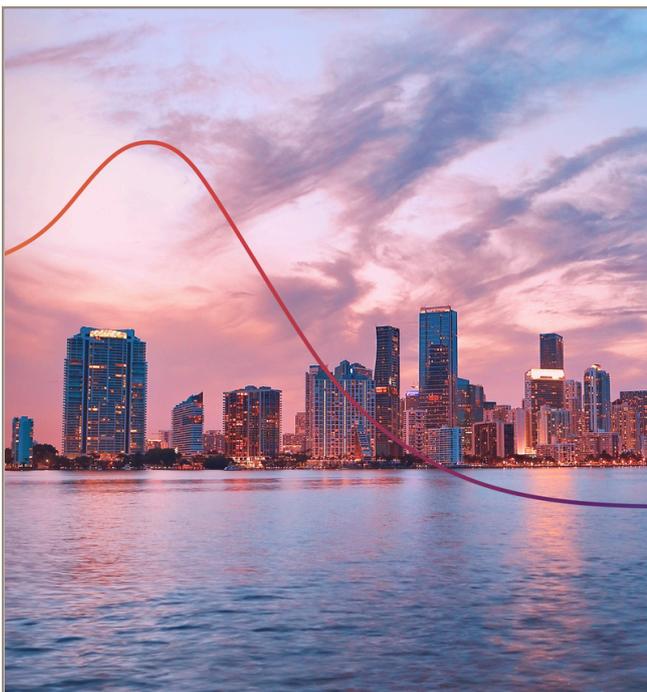
Acting on behalf of the Building Owner in matters relating to the Party Wall etc. Act 1996, for a large improvement and repair contract, including a new basement. This project also includes a sunken area of the garden, an extension to the roof level and a new pod on the back addition as well as with repairs to the party wall.



# SUSTAINABILITY

## Murray Birrell's Carbon Footprint Reduction Target Receives Gold Standard Validation

The Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) is a global body enabling businesses to set ambitious emission reduction targets in line with the latest climate science. It is focused on accelerating companies across the world to halve emissions before 2030 and achieve net-zero emissions before 2050.



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WE'VE SET A  
SCIENCE-BASED  
TARGET SME pathway





# WHY CHOOSE US?

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## *Personal*

A single dedicated point of contact for each appointment with a named Director overseeing your relationship with Murray Birrell.

## *Aligned*

A team of expert communicators who are highly skilled in stakeholder liaison and expectation management, with a flexible approach to challenges, derived from the expertise of a multi-disciplined practice.

## *Experienced*

Extensive specialist knowledge, developed over three decades of consistent growth, throughout challenging markets.

## *Analytical*

Continuous self-reflection to provide regular opportunities for best practice implementation and improvement to standards.

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