Highways Experience

We have significant experience advising on the Highways Agency’s Managing Agent Contracts having been involved in six of the Areas in the Highways Agency’s maintenance Network. We have also advised on many ASC schemes following its introduction which aims to implement maintenance savings across the Network.

Outside the Highways Agency’s maintenance Network, we have advised on local authority refurbishment and maintenance contracts and PFI/PPP schemes. We have also advised on the construction of new roads, the procurement of communications and controls systems, on bridges and other road infrastructure.

We are well known for our expertise in dealing with high profile disputes in the transport sector. We are currently acting on both domestic and international disputes in relation to claims for extensions of time and additional money, defective workmanship, professional negligence etc.

Examples of matters involving road schemes:

- Advising an international consultant in relation to the first Asset Support Contract (ASC) procured by the Highways Agency.
- Acting for an international consultant during the tender stage of Sheffield highways maintenance PFI.
- Advising on a major dispute regarding a 120km road project in East Africa. Issues include allegations of defects, payment, certification, termination, variations, delay, disruption, loss of opportunity, devaluation of currency.
- Advising an international consultant in connection with its design appointment relating to the N6 motorway in Westmeath, Ireland. The entire scheme is estimated at approximately Euro 533 million.
- Acting for an international contractor as claimant in respect of a number of complex disputes in relation to a highways project in East Africa, with claims totalling in excess of US$100 million.
Advising an international contractor appointed by the Highways Agency under a managing agent contract; advising on complex variations valued at £2 million.

Advising in respect of disputes arising from a major road project in Tanzania including DAB proceedings and an ICC arbitration.

Advising highways maintenance contractor on tender documentation and project documents relating to three separate ‘super highways maintenance and improvement’ projects for London Boroughs valued at £1 billion over 8 years.

Advising a consulting engineer in a dispute against a Local Authority employer and main contractor following the completion of a c. £18 million highways project.

Advising sub-consultants in relation to pre-action disputes regarding the M25 widening project.

Advising a contractor in respect of disputes arising from a major road project in Tanzania including DAB proceedings and an ICC arbitration.

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