

Integrated Supply Teams

The concept and successful implementation of early integrated supply teams is an excellent advancement for the construction industry.

An integrated supply team should include all parties involved in the delivery of the contract, from client to specialist contractors. Specialist contractors should be involved at the detailed design stage, to assist with designing out issues that can arise during the build.

Fundamentally, integrated supply teams build trust and reduce risk, which can mean reducing cost. It can also facilitate better sequencing, encourage innovation and performance engineering, and improve the speed of the build, whilst delivering improved profitability as well as better value for the client.

Current Position:

The supplier and manufacturer agreements, recently introduced, do not allow for the specific issues surrounding individual contracts to be considered and it is possible that such agreements will not result in best value.

The practice of not involving specialists early, or fully, undoubtedly has resulted in harder to manage projects with a significant increase in the contract value at outturn.

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