

THE DCWC EVOLUTION



Well-known as a leading provider of Quantity Surveying services, this privately owned Australian company has evolved into a major provider of an all-encompassing range of professional services to the building industry and a leader in green building Project Development.

Their services include: Project Management, Quantity Surveying; Risk and Asset Management; Development Management; Property Tax Depreciation and Building and Engineering Cost Management.

Driven by the demands of clients for a more specific range of detailed technical services, DCWC has emerged as a specialist in Project and Development Management.

Providing an end-to-end service from initial optimisation studies, through developing and implementing procurement strategies, risk and cost management to the strategic management of property assets, DCWC's portfolio of projects throughout Australia is proof of the firm's growing reputation.

With a \$125m project budget, DCWC were awarded the Project Management & QS role on the new Economics and Commerce Building on Berkeley Street at the University of Melbourne. This will be the first education building in Victoria and the second in Australia to achieve a GBCA 5 Star Green Star rating. The innovative DCWC approach to project staging took 9 months off the project programme and their methodology provided certainty at an early stage and share cost savings throughout construction.

The firm is also currently working on the transition of an existing 1980's office building to a carbon neutral facility by incorporating a wind farm on its roof.

In a significant move to better serve their clients, DCWC recently relocated their head office in Melbourne to the landmark GPO Building, offering a more central location for clients and improved facilities for their highly skilled team of professionals.

The firm also has offices in Canberra, Sydney, Brisbane and Perth with senior management and directors located throughout Australia to facilitate their active, hands-on involvement in every project.

Key members of DCWC Executive Team include leading industry identities: Glenn Corke, Managing Director; Tim Hogg, Director; Stephen McCoullough, Director; Rory Pincott, Director; Alan Findlater, Managing Director DCWC Management; John O'Callaghan, Director DCWC Management; Peter Edgcumbe, Director DCWC Building & Engineering Services; Richard Archer, Director; Alex Feng, Director;

While longevity may give an organisation credibility and experience, Donald Cant Watts Corke knows that it is your performance in the present which is, and will be, your true measure of success and future prospects.

Building on over 40 years of tradition and experience, Donald Cant Watts Corke (DCWC) has exhibited a significant evolution, which has manifested itself through all areas of the organisation: services, skills base, portfolio, outlook, even its location.

Jason Shepherd, Director; Mark Mammarella, Director and Antony Wood, Director who joined DCWC from London in April this year to head up the Sydney office.

Antony Wood comes from Goring Berry LLP has 20 years experience in construction project management and cost consultancy work and experience in sustainability techniques covering ground source heat pumps, combined heat and power, photovoltaic power and solar water heating.

The DCWC client base is equally impressive including Lend Lease Retail, Mirvac, Jones Lang Lasalle, ABN Amro, Bovis Lend Lease, Boulderstone Hornibrook, Colonial First State Property, Macquarie Group, Multiplex, NAB, NSW Department of Commerce, Plenary Group, Queensland University of Technology, WA DTF- Building Management and Works and Westpac.

The Queensland office has been involved in state government masterplanning over the past two decades and our cost advice has seen these projects delivered as intended including Suncorp Stadium, Roma Street Parklands, QPAC Refurbishment, Boggo Rd Redevelopment and RNA Redevelopment. The Queensland office also worked on the largest commercial tower 'Brisbane Square' and the iconic \$950 million 'Vision' mixed use highrise development.

One of the interesting projects coming up for the NSW office is the Thirlmere Railway Heritage Centre Project for Railcorp. The project is to redevelop a new exhibition building and upgrade existing exhibition and operation facilities on the 5ha site with the major objective to boost the local tourism activity and improve social network activity. An innovative and creative design has been adopted to achieve cost efficiency without losing quality of the project and utilises 'Green' design to achieve environmental sustainability.

DCWC Canberra is currently working on the \$8m Canberra Central Parklands, RG Menzies Walk for the National Capital Authority, the New Child Care Centre at Parliament House and the 'Vantage' Apartments for the Hindmarsh Group

DCWC's WA office is involved in project management and cost management of a wide variety of projects ranging from commercial and industrial through to large and complex hospital and health related projects. Its current projects include the development of a regional sports complex, a new cancer centre at the QEII medical centre site, the redevelopment of the Busselton Hospital site, extensions to the neonatal and maternity units at King Edward Memorial Hospital and the master planning of the redevelopment of North Metropolitan Health Service's sites.

While their corporate evolution demonstrates their ability and willingness to constantly adapt to developments within the construction industry, DCWC is passionately aware that it is their own proactive approach to environmentally sustainable design and practices and that of others, which will ultimately determine all future evolution.

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