

**AGA Ltd**

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CDM 2015 NEWSLETTER

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# E-LEARNING

[CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR OUR WHOLE RANGE OF NEW ONLINE COURSES](#)

Whether you're looking to improve your own knowledge, or provide training to employees, AGA Ltd's new e-Learning portal will allow you to book easy to follow e-learning courses in a number of areas. Each course is followed by a short test to clarify your understanding regarding that particular topic, which after successful completion, you will be issued with a certificate.

Get up to date, specialist training in Control of Substances Hazardous to Health, Fall Prevention, the Construction Design & Management Regulations 2015, Risk Assessments Manual Handling, Fire Safety and many more.



# FREE CDM ADVICE

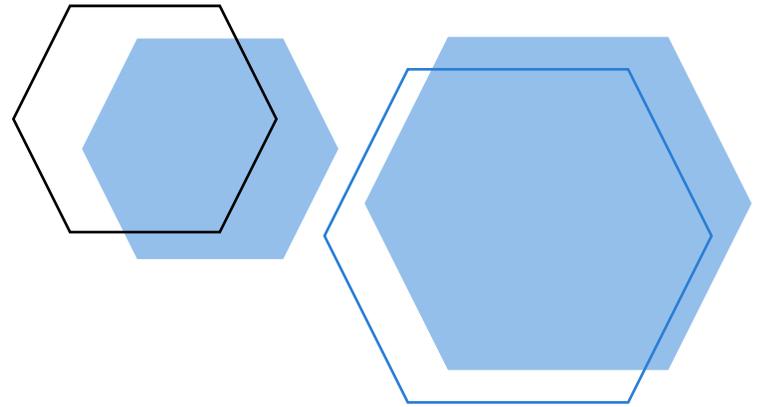
## CONTINUED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR ALL

Do you need help understanding the CDM Regulations 2015? Not sure if you are complying with your duties correctly?

We offer a free CPD consultation to keep you up to date. One of our experienced CDM Consultants will attend your offices or a location of your choosing and provide up to the minute, competent advice.

We cover everything from Duty Holders to Design Risk Management and welcome any questions or scenarios you need help with.

Please get in touch if this would be of interest to you.



# NEW RECRUITS

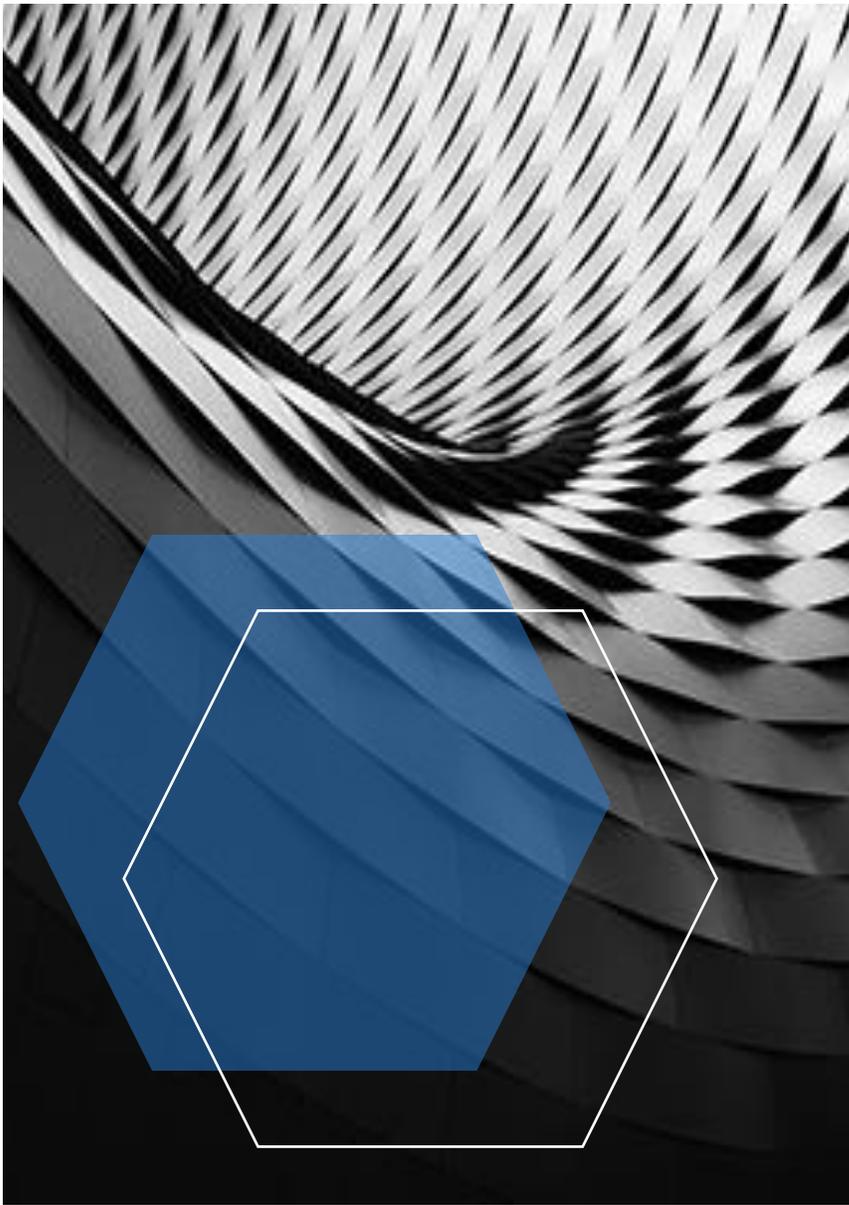
## AGA ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME JASON AND DARREN

Jason Cam has joined the team as a Health & Safety Consultant. He will be travelling the country carrying out Site Inspections on the lookout for bad practice and outstanding performance. Jason is currently undertaking his NCRQ Diploma.

Darren Cumming is also a Health & Safety Consultant carrying out Site Inspections. With a background in Health & Safety working for IKEA Darren is looking to apply that knowledge to our Construction Sites.

Keep an eye out for them on a site near you soon!





# £76,000 FINE

## DEVELOPER FINED UNDER THE CDM REGS

The HSE visited a site in Preston, Lancashire of Home builder Sherwood Homes multiple times over a period of four years.

During that period the company were handed 16 enforcement notices for offences including scaffolding with no handrail, a lack of Construction Phase Plan, no F10 Notification, No Asbestos survey and an inappropriate extension lead.

On 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at Manchester and Salford magistrates Court Sherwood Homes was found guilty of breaching Regulations 4(1), 6(2) and 6(3) of the CDM regulations 2015.

They were fined £76,000 with an additional £14,651 cost and given 3 months to pay.

HSE Principal Inspector Dorothy Shaw said “The primary duties of the CDM Regulations are with the Client, Fundamentally, the client has ultimate control over what happens because they have the money, they appoint the contractors and they appoint designers. If they appoint sufficiently competent contractors and allow sufficient resources in time and money, you will get a safe and healthy project. The real failings here were the clients because these contractors were clearly not competent.”

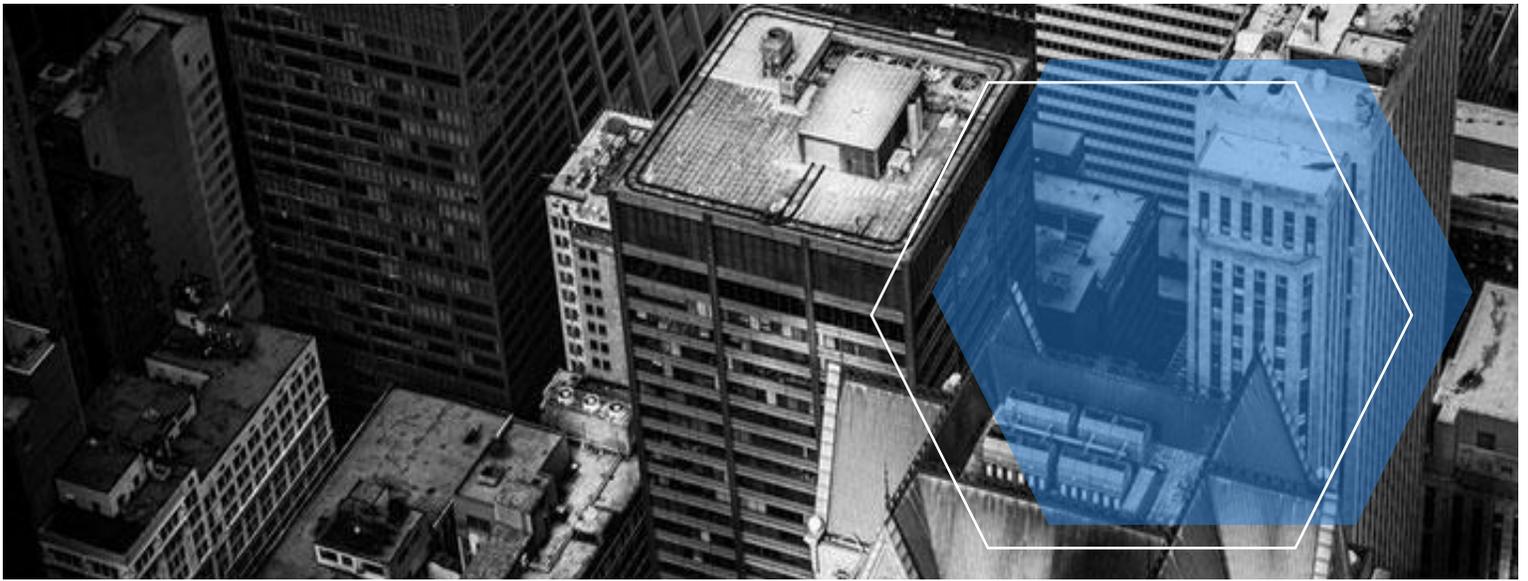
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## EXCITING NEW PROJECT

### AGA ARE PLEASED TO HAVE BEEN APPOINTED ON A NEW PROJECT AT WIELD WOOD ESTATE

The project comprises the erection of a new house comprising basement, ground floor with 5 reception rooms, 10 bedrooms and shoot lodge with associated landscaping and park land. The works also include the demolition of existing dwellings, construction of summer house and garages. Wield Wood Estate Wield Wood Estate is situated on the edge of the highly sought after Candover Valley. The property is in an exceptional position with breath taking views over some of Hampshire’s finest countryside. The Farmhouse Wield Wood Farmhouse was built in the mid 1970’s and situated in the middle of the farm. The house is approached by a long private road of approximately 0.5 miles in length running through the valley.

With a start on site in August we are excited to see the project progress over the next two years. AGA Ltd will carry out regular site visits throughout the project to provide reassurance and peace of mind to the Clients that the construction work on their projects is being carried out in accordance with legal and best practice requirements. AGA Ltd Site Health & Safety Inspections take a comprehensive look at all safe working practices on site including documentation, signage, communication, emergency procedures and site layout. We assess the site managers understanding of their duties under the CDM Regulations 2015 and the competence of all workers.



# SPOTLIGHT ON DESIGN RISK

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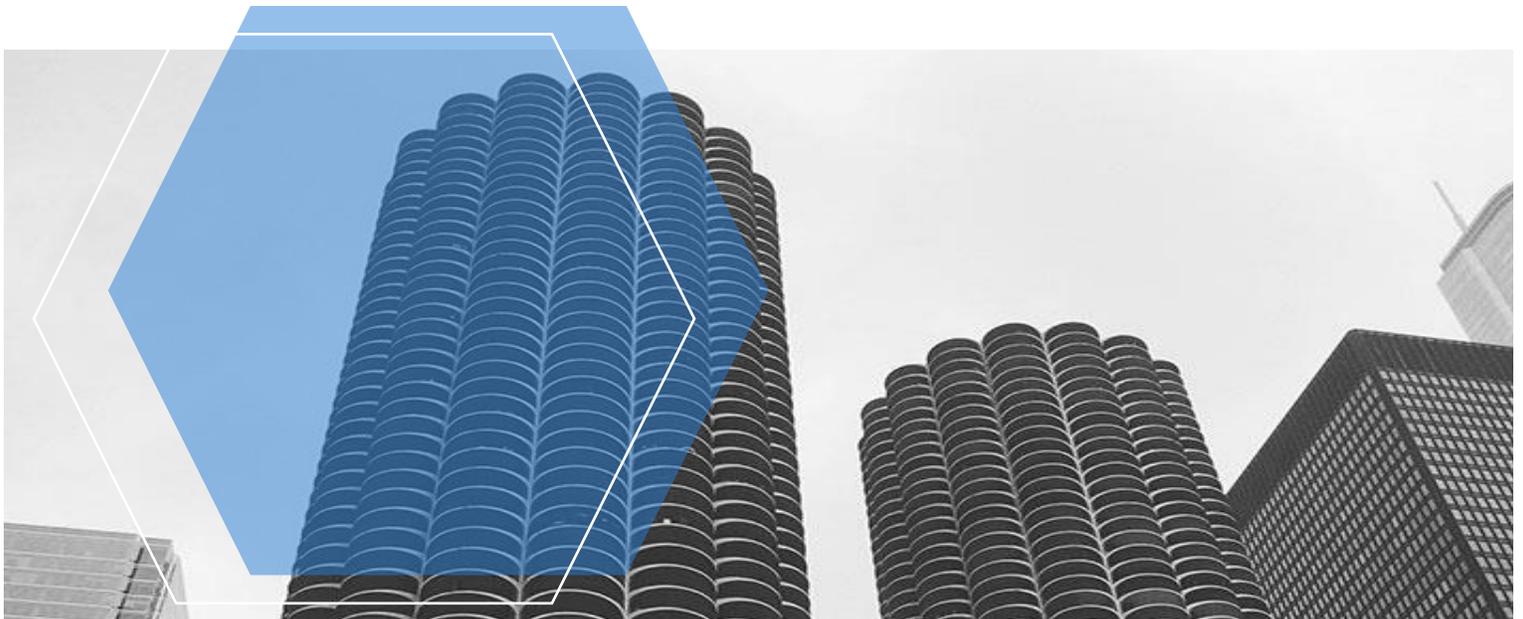
## PRACTICAL AIDS FOR THOSE DEALING WITH DESIGN RISK MANAGEMENT

AGA are encouraging designers to move away from the generic designer risk assessment table. We strongly believe in the idea of CDM Visually, the concept of identifying risk visually is commonplace on roads, buildings, stations, maps and signs- why not on construction drawings? Contractors on site are far more likely to refer to drawings than generic tables, so why not highlight the risks to health & safety on those drawings.

The Management of Health & Safety at Work Regulations 1999 Schedule 1 contains the General Principles of Prevention. The principles provide a framework within which a design is considered for any potential health and safety risks. The HSE have developed the Red-Amber-Green (RAG) Lists as a practical aid for designers on what to eliminate, avoid and what to encourage when carrying out any design.

Design Risk Management is the duty of all designers involved in any construction project. Designers must identify risks associated with their design both during the construction work, and subsequent maintenance and demolition and for use of the structure as a workplace. Where possible designs should be modified to reduce risks, but any remaining risks must be circulated to the rest of the project team. The use of Design Risk Drawings are a great way to communicate these risks in a user friendly way.

For further advice, please contact AGA for a Design Risk Management Workshop.





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