



Richard Stephenson

Building Surveyor/Managing Building Safety Consultant

Richard Stephenson is a Building Surveyor and Building Safety Consultant with over 10 years experience in the planning and delivery of complex schemes of work including structural and fire safety remediation in Higher-Risk Buildings. Richard's previous experience has predominantly been client side and he brings a client focused, technically strong grounding into his role of Managing Building Safety Consultant ensuring regulatory compliance, coordinated design and client satisfaction.

Richard provides strategic oversight of building compliance across Higher-Risk Building projects, leading on design risk management, statutory compliance, and the coordination of gateway-ready information. He adopts a proactive and analytical approach, rigorously challenging design proposals, resolving interdisciplinary coordination issues, and ensuring alignment with the Building Safety Act and associated regulations. This approach brings clarity, consistency, and robust compliance assurance to clients, contractors, and consultant teams throughout all project stages.

As a Building Surveyor, Richard has successfully project managed multiple high-risk projects including full Structural Appraisals and Fire Risk Assessments of External Walls to Higher-Risk Buildings. He has played an influential role in the gathering of key building information, enabling the registration of Higher-Risk Buildings as well as the preparation of Building Safety Cases. His approach and due diligence has successfully achieved numerous Building Assessment Certificates from the Building Safety Regulator.

Richard has taken a leading role in the management and coordination of multidisciplinary design teams, driving innovation, compliant design and applying analytical thinking to project delivery to ensure key performance indicators and client objectives are met, supporting the successful delivery of projects from inception through to completion. He has demonstrated a strong ability to interpret, apply, and integrate regulatory requirements across a range of project types.

Throughout his career Richard has developed a comprehensive knowledge of the Building Regulations, Building Safety Act, and associated duty holder responsibilities.

Richard has practical experience in the planning and delivery of Building Safety Act compliance work, including fire safety upgrades, elemental building upgrades, risk identification, and the review of construction detailing to ensure regulatory alignment.

Richard has developed an excellent understanding of high-rise construction types, ranging from steel-frame through to cast in-situ and large panel system build. Regularly working with structural engineers and developing thorough and proportionate scopes of investigation to inform clients investment decisions and supporting HRB registration.

Richard is experienced in the preparation, coordination, and review of design information for planning, tender, and construction stages, ensuring that documentation is robust, clear, and suitable for regulatory submission. Richard has vast experience in site inspections and reporting, and contributing to accurate record keeping and supporting the principles of the "golden thread" through clear and auditable project information. He adopts a proactive approach to identifying compliance risks, managing design changes, and ensuring that any deviations are reviewed and documented in line with regulatory expectations.

Richard is currently in the process of sitting his assessment of professional competence to the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) to achieve the status of MRICS – Chartered Building Surveyor, further evidencing his dedication to professional development and progression within the industry.

Professional Qualifications

- **BSc Building Surveying**
- **CIOB Certificate in Building Safety Management**

Professional Memberships

- **Working towards MRICS membership with Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS)**



Project Specific Experience

Richard brings extensive experience in the management of higher-risk buildings. Some examples of Richard's previous experience are as follows:

- **Planning and delivery of the structural assessment of 10 Large Panel System HRBs. Co-ordinating duty holders and supporting in the delivery of their duties under the Building Safety Act.**
- **Project management of Fire Risk Assessment of External Walls across 25 Higher-Risk Buildings.**
- **Planning, managing and monitoring fire detection upgrades and compartmentation remediation in HRBs, extra care schemes and sheltered accommodation across the City of Sunderland.**
- **Collation of key building information and development of building safety cases across a portfolio of HRBs.**
- **External wall remediation works to 3 HRBs, managing a multidisciplinary team including specialist access contractors, engineers to carry out a significant programme of concrete repairs.**

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