

Aura Education
PFI Handback
and Post Contract
Facilities
Management
Services





Introduction

Aura can guide you through the handback process providing an experienced project management team. The project management team works with you individually or as a joint appointment to produce detailed contract analysis, programmes, procurement packages, dispute resolution and commercial negotiation.

Our Project Managers support your handback process with Aura's in-house lifecycle experts, surveyors and technical managers. In addition we have a large supply chain of specialists that can deal with ICT, building regulations and FF&E.

Project Life



Our Experience

Aura has worked with SPV's, Facilities Management providers, banks and lawyers for over 22 years providing PFI management services.

The team has completed a range of school PFI contracts including Gateshead Schools, Bolton School, Newcastle BSF, South Tyneside & Gateshead BSF, Durham BSF, Tameside Schools, Salford Schools, Stoke Schools and North Lanarkshire Schools

Aura provides Project Management, Surveyors, Life Cycle Specialists and Quantity Surveyors. The team has negotiated, constructed and operated PFI contracts across the UK.

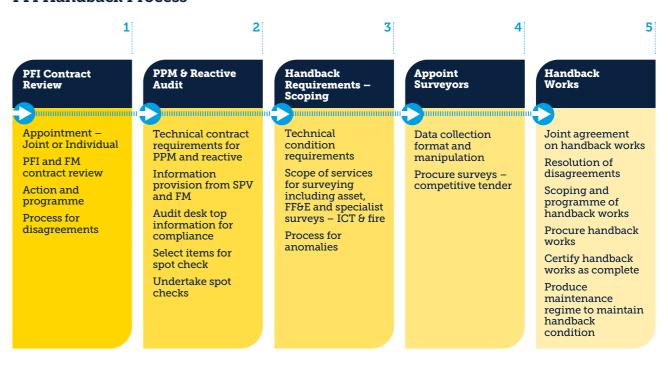
Our Service

The process to handback needs to be planned in advance, it needs consideration at least 5 years in advance of the planned handback. The handback process will require all the parties involved to consider and agree the status the assets need to achieve at handback and how the building, plant and equipment will be maintained and repaired once the PFI contract has finished.

In addition the Academy or Local Authority client will need to consider the implications and opportunities of the on-going facilities management service.

Aura's approach to managing the handback process is illustrated below. The service is managed by Aura Project Managers and we draw from our extensive supply chain to provide specialist services.

PFI Handback Process



Post Contract Facilities Management Services



The Aura Team



Kirsty ThirlwellChief Executive
Officer

Kirsty has over 22 years of experience in PFI and Investment Management, primarily in health and education sectors. Throughout her career, she has secured the delivery of over £750m in capital infrastructure. Her knowledge in identifying risks of PFI consortium groups and her extensive knowledge of the financial build-up of PFI projects allows her to apply appropriate methodologies to manage client risks. Kirsty holds a degree in Chemical Engineering, a PhD in Nuclear Chemistry and is a Chartered Chemical Engineer.



Vikki Hetherington Project Manager

Vikki has over 11 years' experience of PFI developments and will be Aura's main point of contact for our PFI Handback & Post Contract Facilities Management services. She has extensive knowledge of project management and strategic developments for PFI infrastructure programmes, and possess detailed understanding of delivery methods for complex portfolios on behalf of local authority, education and commercial clients. Vikki has considerable experience of identifying stakeholders, assessing their interests and desired outcomes which are then managed through communication management planning.



James Marshall Senior Project Manager

James is a qualified mechanical engineer with over 20 years PFI experience in the health and education sector nationwide. James has worked on large scale projects within a number of NHS Trusts where he progressed to Head of Estates. He has the knowledge of being a Whole Life Cost Manager at Balfour Beatty where James was responsible for providing strategic advice on Boca's investments in PFI/PPP Schools and hospitals. James' PFI experience has been from both client and operational management perspective.



Howard Davies Senior Project Manager

Howard is a Chartered Project Manager with a degree in Building Management (Design & Construction) and has 20 years PFI experience in both the health and education sectors nationwide. Howard was the Independent Certifier for seven schools on Gateshead Council PFI Schools, and several PFI healthcare schemes for NHS Trusts. Howard has an in-depth knowledge and understanding of whole life costings, contract form and risk dur to working as both the client and in an operational delivery role on PFI contracts.



Gareth Devine Senior Project Manager

Gareth has over 17 years' experience of PFI projects and joins Aura's Team as our PFI Senior Project Manager/Service Director. Gareth has worked with PFI assets nationwide and has led multiple multi-disciplinary teams to deliver services for the public sector, having directed public private partnerships with Durham County Council, Lancashire County Council and Stockport Metropolitan Borough Council. Gareth has been involved in PFI schemes at all stages of the buildings' lifecycle, from initial procurement, through construction and from an operational management context on both contractor and client side.



Victoria Bell Bid & Business Development

Victoria has a strong background in bid development and has previously worked as a technical assistant project manager. She brings knowledge and experience of being part of a successful bid development team which secured M&E works throughout the North East and Scotland. Victoria will be working with the team co-ordinating PFI handback and post contract facilities management services.



Michael Henning Consultant Senior Project Manager

Michael has previously worked in both the public and private sectors, originally trained in an Architects office, he has developed his career and has been a Director for over 10 years. With a background in Commercial Management, Michael has a wealth of knowledge on the construction and building consultancy market, conducting feasibility studies and assessing the impact of asset condition in order to identify risks and costs to clients. Michael is qualified in BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying.



Christine Richardson Technical Consultant

Christine has over 29 years' experience in Architecture, spending 10 years heading up WSP | Parsons Brinckerhoff Newcastle office's Architectural team and 15 years working with Aura in a technical consulting capacity. She has 15 years PFI experience in both the education and healthcare sectors nationwide. Christine specialises in design for education and successfully delivered multiple school construction projects under the PFI and BSF programmes. Christine is qualified in BA (Hons) Architectural Studies, BArch.

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How to contact The Aura Team:

If you would like to find out more about Aura's services for the PFI handback process please contact our Project Lead, Vikki Hetherington.



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