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## Introduction

Thank you for your interest in Fabric Architecture Ltd. We are pleased to offer the following Overview Pack complete with all you need to know about doing business with our company.

Whether you are an Architect, Main Contractor, or End User, we hope this profile addresses all of your questions.

We welcome an opportunity to learn about your project and further discuss any of the contents of this overview.

## Our Services



Bespoke Structures from concept to creation  
**Featured project: Manchester City Fan Pavillion**



ArchiClad ceiling & cladding systems  
and Signature Series interior product offerings  
**Featured project: Dublin Airport Terminal 2**



A range of over 40 unique pre-designed and engineered  
waterproof structures ready for rapid installation  
**Featured project: Cranbrook School, Ilford**



PlayShade, a range of 6 pre-designed shade structures  
offering installation  
**Featured project: Painswick Nursery, Gloucestershire**

## @ a glance

Since 1982, Fabric Architecture Ltd has been an industry leader specialising in the design, engineering, manufacture and installation of tensile fabric structures throughout the world.



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### Core Capabilities

- Finite Element Analysis
- Engineering
- Project Management
- Patterning
- Manufacture
- Design Consultancy
- Form Finding
- Installation

### Additional Services

- We offer lifetime maintenance on all of our structures
- Expert witness
- Printing capabilities

### Budgeting

We are happy to offer immediate quotations for any of our Signature Structures, PlayShade canopies or internal Signature Series products. For bespoke design & build structures we can offer an average price per metre, with detailed price breakdown upon full project briefing.

As industry leading experts, Fabric Architecture is able to offer partial contract services such as design consultation, engineering, and feasibility studies.

### Market Sectors & Solutions

Fabric Architecture Ltd has installed over 5,000 structures worldwide covering all major sectors.

Our Signature Structures and Design & Build divisions have installed structures for a wide range of solutions from shelters to public art.

Always designing according to the laws of nature, we create beautifully practical tensile structures to fit any sector and solution.

- Public Realm
- Transport
- Sport and Entertainment
- Education
- Healthcare
- Retail and Commercial

- Shelter
- Performance Area
- Feature Canopy
- Brise Soleil
- Walkways
- Entrance Canopy
- Public Art
- Interiors

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## Pricing Tiers & Examples

Our projects and capabilities range in size and scale, up to £1.6M.

### Up to £50K

Pre-designed and engineered **Signature Structures, PlayShade** and **Signature Series** interior products.

### £50 - £500K

**Design & Build** bespoke tensile fabric structures (internal or external)

### £500k +

**Grand Scope Projects** requiring a specialised project team of professionals trained in large scale installations with an expertise in project management



### Dublin Airport Terminal 2, Ireland

- Largest Project to Date, Contract Value: £1.6M
- 27,000 sqm of tensile fabric mesh ceiling panels
- Utilises ArchiClad, a modular tensile fabric cladding system for interior and exterior applications



### Ferrari World, Abu Dhabi, UAE

- Contract Value: £1.2M
- 45,000 sqm of fabric used to create 2,063 unique and bespoke fabric fins
- Over 100km of extruded aluminium used to install and mount the fins



### Bulwell Academy Nottingham, England

- Contract Value: £500,000
- 2,500 sqm of fabric: the UK's Largest Inverse Conics
- Two 24m x 16m structures along with six 18m x 16m structures oversailing one another



### Lord Grey School Milton Keynes, England

- Contract Value: £42,000
- 18m x 7m Triple Conic
- The high-end of the pre-designed Signature Structure range



### Charfield Primary School Gloucestershire, England

- Contract Value: £3,800
- 5m Pow Wow Shade Structure
- Cost effective canopy in the pre-designed Signature Structure range

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### Procurement Checklist

#### Insurance:

- £10M Public/Products Liability
- £10M Employers Liability
- £2M Professional Indemnity
- £1.6M Contractors all risk (per project)

#### Health & Safety:

- **CHAS** Accredited
- Full Time H&S Officer, **IOSH** and **NEBOSH** Certified
- All Supervisors are **CSCS**, **CPCS**, and **SMSTS** Certified
- Site Team Operators are **CSCS** and **CPCS** Certified
- All Staff who visit sites are **CRB** checked
- Zero H&S violations
- Each project undergoes a complete H&S briefing process with project specific Method Statements, Lift Plans and Risk Assessments carried out
- H&S policies are reviewed and checked regularly with ongoing audits
- All work in accordance with **CDM2007**

#### Environmental:

- **ISO 14001** Accredited
- **ISO 16001** Accreditation in Process
- Supply Chains ensure we source local steel, plant and other materials necessary to complete installations
- We recommend **Solar Glass Weave** fabric, a 100% recyclable alternative to PVC
- All of our fabric 'off cuts' are donated to Children's Scrapstore and are used in schools across the UK for art projects
- Corporate fleet cars and vehicles use hybrid technology and efficient diesel engines. In addition they are all equipped with tracking devices to control speed and monitor usage
- Our Corporate headquarters recycles all: paper, cardboard, plastic and IT kit (through IT Schools Africa)
- We promote environmentally responsible purchasing
- Fabric Architecture Ltd is committed to the environment and currently in the R&D phase of being able to offer a 'green' package for most of our structures. This Package could include (where applicable) wind turbines, photovoltaics and Solar Glass Weave fabric
- **BREEAM** recognised



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#### Operating Systems:

- Advance Steel
- AutoCad
- Prince 2
- WorkSpace
- Microsoft Projects

#### Quality Assurance:

- **ISO 9001** Accredited
- **AIS** (Association of Interior Specialists)
- **RIBA** Certified as the only tensile fabric company to offer CPDs on: How to Design a Tensile Fabric Structure and Designing Internal Tensile Cladding and Ceiling Systems. We undertake 100 CPDs per year throughout the UK

#### Special Honours:

- WAN Shortlisted for innovative new product, ArchiClad - featured in the new Dublin T2
- IFAI Award: International Achievement Award of Excellence - for IKEA Southampton
- British Design Award - for the Pagoda Signature Structure
- Duke of Edinburgh Design Award - for the Pagoda Signature Structure



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### Human Resources:

We have Policies and Procedures in place for the following (all available upon request):

- Conduct & Behaviour Policy
- Disciplinary, Grievance & Appeals Procedure
- Equal Opportunities & Diversity
- Performance Management
- Learning & Skills Talent Development
- Health & Safety Policy

### Training & Development:

Fabric Architecture Ltd invests heavily in staff development with a focus on the following areas:

- Health and Safety
- Effective Project Management
- Contractual Awareness
- Software Training on new operating systems

We have a very detailed and proactive training matrix for all staff (available upon request).

**Government Skills Pledge:** Fabric Architecture Ltd has signed up for the Government Skills Pledge and holds a current certificate.



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### What People Are Saying About Us

“Everyone worked really hard to install the structure in a tight timeframe and was a pleasure to have on site”

**Mansell plc**

“Parents and local residents all commented on how great the structure looks”

**Park Families Sure Start**

“Your Installation Engineer handled the job in Abu Dhabi with the utmost professionalism, putting in long hours and showing a lot of effort and direction to make sure that everything went smoothly.”

**Contour Entertainment**

“We were pleased with how the project developed and the conduct and performance of Fabric Architecture.”

**Depa Mivan**

“Very pleased... will provide much needed weather protection...”

**Kingsfield School**

“Very satisfied... handled in a professional manner from inception to completion”

**Willmott Dixon**

“The shelter looks absolutely fabulous! I love all the attention to detail. Everything went smoothly. I wouldn't hesitate to recommend you to other schools/organisations and individuals.”

**Ansford School**

“Everyone who's seen it loves it!”

**Chilton College**

“Fabric Architecture were very professional in their approach and both the design and site installation was of the highest standard and of superior quality possible.”

**Carillion Civil Engineering**

“It's been 12 months since the structure was installed and we have been very pleased; your installation team was very helpful”

**Dowson Primary**

“The final structure is exactly as envisaged and will be greatly appreciated”

**Alfreton Nursery**

“The end result was exactly what we were expecting and perfectly fits the design brief – it exceeds our expectations. Computer generated sun-plots of the shade performance were crucial in securing the project's success.

The installation was flawless”

**Cummins Middle East FZE**

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### Company Details

Reg no	04119655
Date of Incorporation:	05 December 2000
Ownership:	Fabric Architecture Ltd is an owner managed business and does not have a parent company.
Premises and registered address:	Unit B4 Nexus, Gloucester Business Park, Hurricane Road, Brockworth, Gloucestershire, GL3 4AG, UK.

### Staffing

Design Director	1
Commercial Director	1
Finance	2
HR & Development	1
Marketing & PR	1
Technical Sales (D&B)	7
Project Management	4
Project Assistant	4
Health & Safety Manager	1
Designers	4
Engineers	2
Installation Management	2
Warehouse Manager	1
TOTAL:	31

### Finance

Turnover:	All relevant turnover reports are available upon request
VAT no:	GB762526131
2010/2011	£5.7 million





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