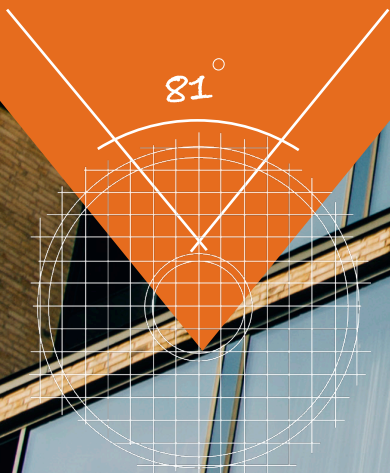


# Redefining public sector building control



# 10 ways we deliver positive impact for local authorities

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We represent

**100%**

of local authority building control teams across England & Wales.

We also work with Building Standards Scotland & Northern Ireland Building Control.



PRACTICAL ADVICE  
SHARED RESEARCH  
INDUSTRY LIAISON

# 01 Supporting the Hackitt Review advisory groups



## REGULATION & GUIDANCE

Defining local authority duties, statutes, powers and practice.



## GOLDEN THREAD

Working with professionals and industry to protect the 'golden thread' of fire safety.



## COMPETENCIES

Accelerating change in accreditation standards and competencies.



## DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION & REFURBISHMENT

Technical insight, regulatory analysis and enabling remedial action.

# 02 Defining national standards for local authority building control

## WE HAVE:

- ✓ Set up a national Standards Committee
- ✓ Distilled essential practices common to all
- ✓ Created an independent, accredited audit & ISO 9001 certification
- ✓ Provided this with no cost to local authorities

# 03 Accredited qualifications & in-service surveyor development

## WE PROVIDE:

- ✓ A system to prove competency
- ✓ Externally accredited apprenticeships, certificate, diplomas & degree in Building Control with full access to 'Levy' funding
- ✓ Subsidised CPD & training

In partnership with:



# 04 Consumer protection & helping communities

## £2.50m

Is the value of the building control function provided through 6,000 schemes at no cost to the applicant thereby securing greater health, safety, welfare & convenience for disabled people.

## Free

Advice, guidance & helpful programmes enable consumers to make better choices & avoid 'cowboys'.

## Trust

LABC encourages the use of competent and ethical businesses through support given to good contractors, agents, architects & organisations such as the Federation of Master Builders, TrustMark, Chartered Institute of Architectural Technologists & RIBA.

## 70% fee earning

Typically fee earning building control offsets, by more than twice, the non-fee costs of public safety, consumer protection & enforcement. LABC surveyors use powers to 'get work put right' because prosecutions are expensive. LABC is working with the LGA to get sanctions increased for magistrates to award costs.



# 05 Fund & commission specialist research

Our research measures the outputs and value of building control.

In 2017, building control services across England and Wales processed 90,000 full plans applications.

They made  
**500k**  
INTERVENTIONS



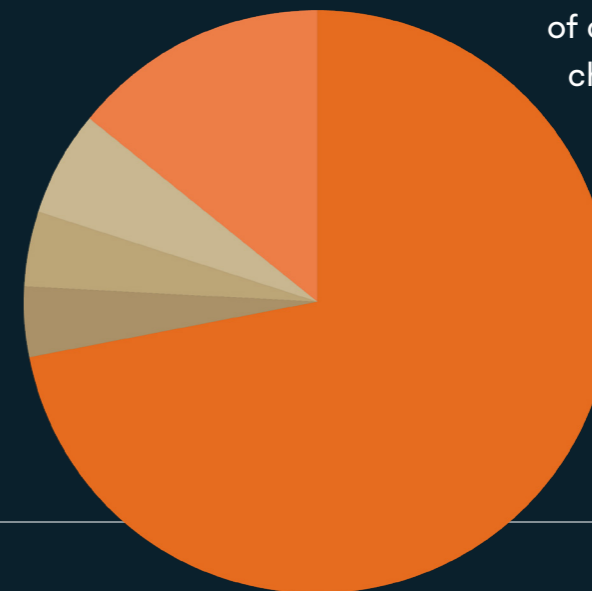
Out of which  
**25%**  
were **HIGH RISK**



## How useful is it to have your plans assessed by a council's building control team?

## 86%

of customers found plan checks by the council **USEFUL**



KEY

- 72% Extremely useful
- 14% Fairly useful
- 6% Not particularly useful
- 4% Not useful at all
- 4% No view in either direction



# 06 Public safety after fires, explosions, collisions, collapses & weather damage



Safety advice for blue light first responders



Instructing contractors on shoring, demolition & ensuring public safety



Briefing & commencing legal & insurance proceedings



365 days, 24 hour cover (averaging 23,000 incidents per annum)

# 07 Understand if your team is fit for purpose



Regulatory functions must be fit for purpose



A national & consistent standard definition of 'essential' processes & practices



LABC regularly reviews our teams using consistent published criteria

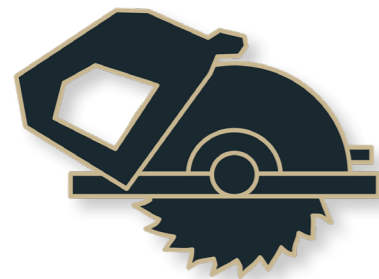


Assessing capabilities, knowledge, competence, resilience & practice against defined good practice



# 08 Technical details & the local authority LANTAC agreement

LABC schemes enable local authorities and the industry to share decisions. This is the result of a national agreement enabling LABC to process and streamline the sharing of technical research.

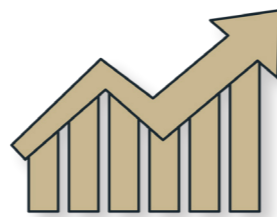


## NO POINT IN REINVENTING THE WHEEL

Our schemes simplify building regulation acceptance and product research, thus taking costs out of 'reinventing the wheel' in every local authority.

## THE LATEST RESEARCH AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

2017 saw the greatest ever growth in new registrations for construction products and the 'house types' used by large builders.



Growth averaging 23% p.a.



## NOT JUST FOR HOMES

Registrations now cover England, Wales, Northern Ireland & Scotland to support national PLCs and multi-site property owners and developers.

# 09 Recognising construction excellence & local authority super stars

## 15

Events hosted by LABC & LABC Cymru (including the Grand Finals)

Our awards encourage high building standards & good community focussed project delivery.

They identify local authority surveyors and technical support staff who regularly give that extra effort to help customers - making them our 'super stars'.



## 4500

Business customers enter the LABC Building Excellence Awards each year.

## 300

Winners & commendations.



# 10 Maintain & increase market share

## MEETING CUSTOMERS

Hundreds of regional road shows and industry conferences create constant face to face contact with business customers opening sales opportunities for local authority teams.



## TARGETED MARKETING

'Medium weight' social media & targeted online campaigns reach homeowner customers, build the brand and channel responses through digital portals directly into local authorities.





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