

Legal & policies

Introduction

We believe thoughtful architecture depends not only on good design, but on responsible professional practice, respectful working relationships and clear standards.

This section outlines the key policies, standards and governance documents that support the operation of Oran Architecture. These statements reflect our approach to professional practice, legal compliance, workplace standards, sustainability and ethical responsibility across our projects and business operations.

Oran Architecture is committed to delivering thoughtful, well-managed and responsible design services, underpinned by clear procedures, inclusive working practices and a commitment to continual improvement.

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1.1 Privacy Policy

Oran Architecture is committed to protecting your personal data and respecting your privacy.

This policy explains how we collect, use and protect any information you provide through this website, in accordance with UK data protection legislation.

Information We Collect

We may collect and process personal data including your name, email address, telephone number (if provided), and any information submitted through our contact form. This information is provided directly by you when contacting us.

How We Use Your Information

We use personal data to respond to enquiries, communicate regarding our services, and maintain business records and professional relationships. We only process your information where necessary for legitimate business purposes or to respond to your request.

Lawful Basis

We process personal data under the following lawful bases: legitimate interests, including responding to enquiries and business communication; and contract, where enquiries may lead to services being provided.

Data Storage and Security

Your data is stored securely using appropriate technical and organisational measures. We take reasonable steps to protect personal data from unauthorised access, loss or misuse.

Data Sharing

We do not sell personal data. Information may be shared with trusted consultants, service providers or project team members where necessary for legitimate business purposes.

Data Retention

We retain personal data only for as long as necessary to respond to enquiries and fulfil legitimate business or legal requirements.

Your Rights

Under UK data protection law, you have the right to access your personal data, request correction of inaccurate information, request deletion where appropriate, and object to or restrict processing in certain circumstances.

Contact

If you have any questions regarding this policy or how your data is handled, please contact:

Oran Architecture

Email: email@oranarchitecture.com

Complaints

If you are not satisfied with how your data has been handled, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO).

1.2 Cookie Policy

We use a limited number of cookies to support the performance of the website and to help us understand which content and information visitors find most useful.

Cookies are small text files stored on your device when you visit a website. They help websites function correctly and provide information about visitor interactions.

Types of Cookies We Use

Essential Cookies

These cookies are necessary for the website to function properly and cannot usually be switched off.

Analytics Cookies

We may use analytics services, including Google Analytics, to collect anonymous information about how visitors use the website, such as pages viewed, time spent on the site, and general website performance. This information helps us improve the website and user experience.

Website Platform Cookies

Certain cookies may be set automatically by our website hosting or website builder platform in order to support functionality, security, or performance.

Managing Cookies

Most web browsers allow you to control or disable cookies through browser settings. Please note that disabling certain cookies may affect how the website functions.

Further information regarding Google Analytics cookies can be found at:

<https://support.google.com/analytics/answer/6004245>

Contact

If you have any questions regarding this Cookie Policy, please contact:

email@oranarchitecture.com

1.3 Website Terms of Use

This website is intended to provide general information about Oran Architecture, our work, and the projects and initiatives we are involved in. By using this website, you agree to the following terms of use:

Website Information

The content provided on this website is for general information purposes only. While Oran Architecture aims to keep information accurate and up to date, no guarantees or warranties are given regarding completeness, accuracy, or reliability.

Information shown on this website should not be considered professional advice or relied upon without obtaining specific guidance relevant to your circumstances.

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Project Information & Visuals

Images, visualisations, concept studies, drawings, and project information shown on this website may represent early-stage proposals, unbuilt work, planning submissions, or evolving designs. Final constructed projects may differ from the material shown.

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This website may contain links to external websites. Oran Architecture is not responsible for the content, availability, or privacy practices of third-party websites.

Website Availability

While reasonable efforts are made to maintain website availability and security, Oran Architecture does not guarantee uninterrupted access to the website and accepts no liability for temporary unavailability, technical issues, or website interruptions.

Liability

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Oran Architecture excludes liability for any loss or damage arising from use of this website or reliance on information contained within it.

Changes to These Terms

Oran Architecture may update these terms from time to time without notice. Continued use of the website constitutes acceptance of any updated terms.

Contact

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Practice Standards

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2.1 Equality & Inclusion Policy

We believe good architecture is shaped by a diversity of perspectives, experiences and voices. Creating an inclusive, respectful and supportive working environment is an important part of how we practice.

Oran Architecture is committed to promoting equality, diversity and inclusion throughout the practice and to eliminating unlawful discrimination.

Our aim is to create a working environment that is inclusive, respectful and supportive, where all individuals feel valued and able to contribute fully. We seek to ensure fairness and equal opportunity in employment, professional development and collaboration across all areas of the practice.

Oran Architecture will not discriminate on the basis of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation, in accordance with the Equality Act 2010.

We oppose all forms of unlawful discrimination, bullying, harassment and victimisation. All employees, consultants, applicants and collaborators will be treated fairly and with respect, regardless of whether they are employed on a full-time, part-time, temporary or freelance basis.

Selection for employment, promotion, training and progression will be based on aptitude, ability and professional merit. We are committed to supporting staff development and creating opportunities that allow individuals to realise their full potential.

Our commitment is to:

- create a working environment in which individual differences and contributions are recognised and valued
- foster a culture of dignity, inclusion and mutual respect
- ensure that no form of intimidation, bullying or harassment is tolerated
- provide fair access to training, development and progression opportunities
- review employment practices and procedures regularly to promote fairness and equality
- treat breaches of this policy seriously and address them through appropriate procedures
- monitor and review this policy periodically

2.2 Quality Statement

We believe high-quality architecture is shaped through thoughtful design, clear communication and careful attention at every stage of a project.

Oran Architecture is committed to maintaining high standards in the delivery of our work. Our quality management procedures are intended to support the consistent, efficient and professional delivery of projects in line with client expectations, statutory requirements and good industry practice.

Practice procedures and guidance are maintained electronically via SharePoint, providing a central and accessible resource for staff.

Procedure

As part of their induction, staff are introduced to the practice's quality management procedures and provided with information relevant to their role.

All staff are expected to familiarise themselves with the procedures applicable to their responsibilities and to follow them in the course of their work. These procedures are intended to support consistency, reduce errors and maintain the quality of work delivered to clients.

Procedures are reviewed periodically to ensure they remain appropriate to the scale and operation of the practice. Internal reviews and project oversight may be undertaken to identify areas for improvement and support the ongoing development of practice standards.

Sustainability & Ethics

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3.1 Sustainability Policy

We care about how buildings are made, how they perform over time, and the long-term impact they have on people, places and resources.

We believe architecture has a responsibility to respond thoughtfully to environmental, social and long-term economic challenges. Sustainability is considered throughout our work, from early strategic thinking and site analysis through to material selection, building performance and long-term adaptability.

Oran Architecture aims to promote environmentally responsible design approaches appropriate to the scale, context and ambitions of each project. We seek to support clients in making informed decisions around sustainability, energy use, durability, reuse and long-term value.

Within the practice, we are committed to operating responsibly and reducing unnecessary environmental impact where practical. This includes encouraging efficient use of resources, reducing waste, supporting digital working practices and promoting sustainable travel choices where appropriate.

Our approach includes:

- considering environmental impact as part of the design process
- encouraging low-energy and efficient building strategies where appropriate
- promoting thoughtful material selection and responsible resource use
- supporting reuse, refurbishment and long-term adaptability where feasible
- encouraging environmentally responsible working practices within the studio
- reviewing our approach periodically as the practice develops

3.2 Modern Slavery Statement

We recognise that architecture and construction are ultimately shaped by people, labour and complex supply chains, and that ethical responsibility extends beyond the design process itself.

We believe good professional practice includes treating people fairly, responsibly and with respect. Oran Architecture opposes modern slavery, forced labour, human trafficking and exploitative working practices in all forms.

As an architectural practice operating within the wider construction industry, we recognise that risks associated with modern slavery can exist within supply chains, manufacturing, procurement and construction activities. While Oran Architecture is a small practice with a limited operational supply chain, we are committed to conducting business ethically and responsibly and to promoting fair and lawful working practices wherever reasonably possible.

We aim to work with clients, consultants, contractors and suppliers who share similar professional and ethical standards. Where appropriate, we seek to encourage responsible procurement, transparency and fair treatment throughout the delivery of projects.

Within our own practice, we are committed to:

- maintaining fair and respectful working conditions
- complying with UK employment legislation and professional obligations
- promoting equality, inclusion and professional wellbeing
- fostering a workplace culture built on dignity, respect and ethical conduct
- avoiding knowingly working with organisations involved in unlawful or exploitative labour practices
- reviewing our approach periodically as the practice develops

Oran Architecture is committed to maintaining awareness of modern slavery risks and supporting ethical professional practice across the built environment sector.

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