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Fractional CFO / Finance Director – Construction Sector (Chelmsford)

Description

FD Capital is recruiting on behalf of a growing consultancy operating in the construction sector, based in Chelmsford, Essex. This is a day-rate fractional CFO / Finance Director appointment for a candidate with genuine, hands-on construction-sector finance experience — not a general SME finance generalist role.

The Role

Our client needs a fractional CFO/FD who understands project-based financial control from the inside, and who can help strengthen the finance function as the business scales. The Finance Manager currently in place will benefit from mentoring and line management as part of this role, so a candidate comfortable developing a team as well as doing the work personally is essential.

Key areas of responsibility include:

- Project accounting and project profitability reporting
- Accruals, WIP and cost-to-complete forecasting
- Cash-flow forecasting and working-capital visibility
- Management accounts and board-level reporting
- Financial controls and process improvement
- Mentoring and line management of the in-house Finance Manager

Responsibilities

The Ideal Candidate

We're looking for a qualified accountant with direct experience in a project-based, cost-sensitive environment — ideally within construction, engineering, infrastructure, quantity surveying, building services, specialist subcontracting, or construction consultancy. You should be comfortable working hands-on rather than purely at a strategic or oversight level, and confident mentoring and developing an existing Finance Manager.

Experience with Cost Value Reconciliations (CVR), work-in-progress reporting, and forecast-to-complete methodology on live projects is highly valued. Familiarity with construction-sector job-costing systems is an advantage.

Working Pattern

This role is expected to start at around two days per month, with scope to grow if the appointed candidate demonstrates clear value to the business. The client is open-minded on a largely remote working pattern for the right candidate, provided there is meaningful in-person attendance at the Chelmsford office — approximately once a fortnight as a starting point. Chelmsford station is a short walk from the office, with local parking available.

Job Benefits

Hiring organization

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Employment Type

Part-time

Beginning of employment

1st October 2026

Duration of employment

Perm

Industry

Construction

Job Location

Colchester, Essex, United Kingdom

Working Hours

9-5

Base Salary

£ 800 - £ 1,000

Date posted

September 7, 2026

Valid through

30.09.2026

Day rate of £1,000

Contacts

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