



About

A B Canham & Son is a multi-million pound construction company, with an annual turnover in excess of £20 million, a directly-employed workforce of over 100 and its own extensive fleet of plant and machinery.

Impressive yet secure growth has enabled us to become a 'whole process' construction and housebuilding company, with the ability to plan, specify and build entire developments across the South East. At any one time, our workforce will be delivering over 150 new homes, designed to enhance the built environment and addressing the current housing shortage.





History

A B Canham & Son has followed an exceptional path to become a multi-million pound business. Founded in 1974 by Alan Canham, with funds of just £75, we have grown from a one-man band completing modest extensions and decorating jobs to a multi-disciplined construction company with a turnover in excess of £20 million.

The addition of Alan's son Michael in 1982 and daughter Sharon in 1999 brought greater strength, skills and depth to A B Canham & Son, allowing the company to flourish and create a secure financial strategy for the future.

45+

Years in Business

1000+

Properties Built

100+

Completed Developments

120+

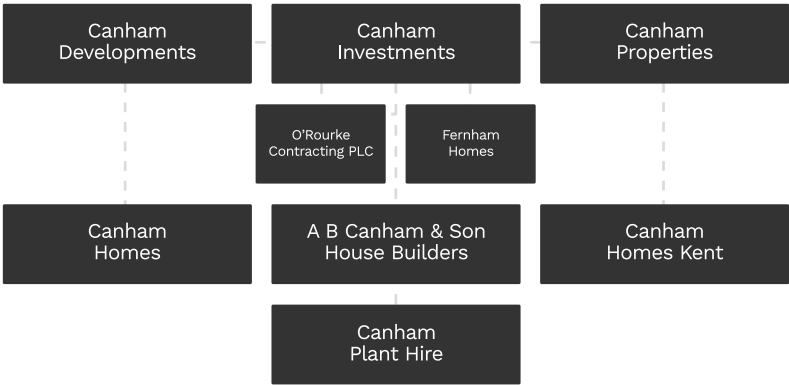
Employees



Group of Companies

To bring greater control over construction standards and delivery schedules, A B Canham & Son has cultivated and invested in a number of working partnerships. Each partner shares our vision and upholds our strict in-house standards. We have a 50% shareholding in O'Rourke Contracting Plc – independent surfacing/civils provider. The success of all companies shows a combined turnover in excess of £70 Million.

Our secure position and success has allowed us to develop separate investment, housebuilding and plant hire divisions within A B Canham & Son. This is complemented by a unique connection to Fernham Homes – a housebuilder founded and co-owned by Michael Canham.



Team

Unlike other construction companies who often rely on a large contingent of sub contractors, A B Canham & Son is powered by full-time construction staff, trades and specialists who are employed directly by us.

Our longstanding reputation and rewarding environment has made it easy for us to recruit and retain some of the industry's top talent. From our headquarters in Tonbridge to sites across the South East, we have a dedicated and diligent workforce spanning design, architecture, surveying, accounts, groundwork, site management, first and second fix, and machine operation.



Housebuilding & Development

From magnificent one-off residences to large housing developments and boutique schemes, A B Canham & Son has been instrumental in delivering some of the South East's most defining new homes of the last four decades.

As well as expanding our team in terms of construction staff, we have grown the company laterally so we can offer a compelling 'whole process' construction service. We can join housebuilding projects at the acquisition or planning stage - with our CAD, architectural and design resources - or support schemes with our on-site labour, plant machinery and site management skills.

Despite our 5 decades of history and traditional values, we are a forward-thinking company embracing modern methods of construction and keeping pace with industry innovations. Part of our vision is to be as sustainable as possible in our construction and housing building endeavours. All our timber comes from sustainable sources and we have a rigorous company-wide recycling policy, so as few materials as possible go to landfill.

Our eco approach also extends to our plant machinery. Our benchmark is to replace our fleet with lower emission vehicles within a four-year cycle. We also power our machinery from our own double-bundled 900 litre fuel cubes, which are refilled directly by our supplier.



“we have a level of control over our business and an all encompassing range of disciplines that others can't rival”



Canham Homes

We have developed Canham Homes in tandem with A B Canham & Son – a separate division specialising in exquisite new homes in and around the Sevenoaks area. Our work is respected for being able to balance luxury and style with the local architectural vernacular. The resulting developments seek to enhance the built environment, with strong sustainable credentials and impeccable attention to detail.

We pride ourselves on being able to offer a flexible and adaptable service to our customers.

- Respecting and incorporating the local vernacular in to the external design
- High level of specification and good quality fittings
- Each new home combines a high quality finish with the highest standards of modern insulation, whilst achieving maximum energy efficiency with minimum running costs
- High level planting and landscaping
- High level of customer support during and after purchase



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Plant & Transport

The fleet of A B Canham & Son vehicles and plant machinery is a regular sight across developments in the South East, with our livery proudly on display. In 2019, we invested more than £500,000 in new plant and transport resources to keep pace with our growing construction portfolio. Our fleet is constantly growing with current plant & machinery in excess of £2m.

Getting our workforce, materials and machinery from A to B is made easy thanks to our selection of lorries, tippers, vans, pick-ups, flat beds and minibuses. Our extensive selection of logistical options is complemented by our wide range of heavy machinery, which includes excavators, rollers, telehandlers and dumpers, which sit alongside our portfolio of modern site cabins.



Partnerships

From investors, banks and housebuilders to chartered surveyors, housing associations and estate agents, bringing a brand new community or collection of new homes to fruition is a team effort. A B Canham & Son is part of a highly professional delivery chain working together to create some of the South East's most pivotal property developments.



Housing Association

A B Canham & Son is pleased to work with all quarters of the housebuilding and property industry. As such, we have forged rewarding relationships with a number of housing associations. We also build Section 106 properties for housebuilders, as well as create direct sites for housing associations.

"I have worked within the industry for nearly 30 years and during that time I have only experienced a very small number of Contractors and Developers who have genuinely exceeded my expectations."

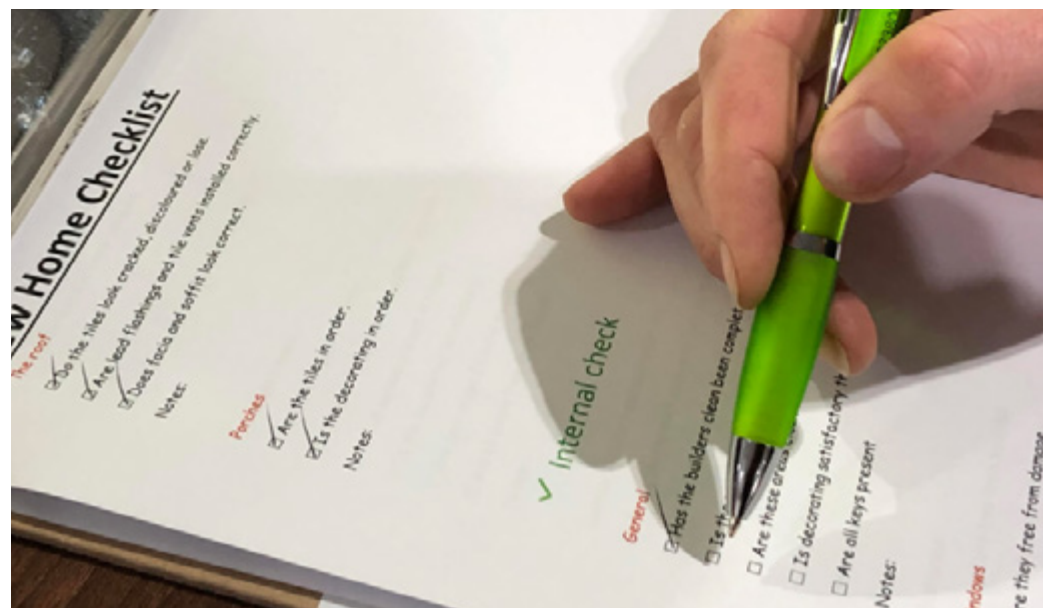
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Customer Care

We put our customers at the centre of our business, whether they are main contractors, public sector clients or private home buyers. We are here to assist and support, from our opening conversation with you to handover, and specially-trained customer service staff are ready to respond to any enquiry.

Every home goes through a 3 stage audit that begins with the Site Manager's snagging report. The Customer Care Manager then visits the property with his extensive 150+ point checklist. Any snags that he identifies are then handed back to the site manager and are rectified within 5 working days. At this point the Customer Care Manager makes his final visit to ensure nothing has been missed prior to handing over to the customer.





Health & Safety

The health and safety of our employees, those working on our sites and our clients is of paramount importance. We implement a robust healthy and safety policy, and ensuring this is rigorously adhered is overseen by our designated welfare team. As well as the procedures A B Canham & Son has in place, we also maintain standards by ensuring everyone receives the latest training, that risk assessments are prioritised and that equipment is tested for safety standards on a regular basis.





SUPREME AWARDS 2019

Accreditations & Awards

A B Canham & Son is an NHBC registered builder, achieving Category A1 National Housebuilder status in 2005. This allows us to offer each property we build with a 10-year NHBC warranty. In 2019, we shared in the success of Fernham Homes as it won Best Small Housebuilder of the Year (Bronze) at the prestigious What House? Awards, with the judges complementing the standard of new homes construction.

Our staff are a real credit to A B Canham & Son and their success in various NHBC awards over the years continues to be a highlight. A whole host of our Site Managers have triumphed in both the NHBC's Pride in the Job and Seal of Excellence categories.





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