

Focus on Audit, Assurance and Advisory Services

Professional support and invaluable insight
from a perfectly positioned regional firm.

Get the assurances you need, bespoke to your business

Whether the immediate priorities are mandatory compliance, ambitious business growth or careful consolidation, our multi-disciplinary Corporate Services teams operate from all seven offices and partner closely with clients to offer meaningful support, but maintain a professional distance for audit and assurance reporting.

With partners and managers dedicated to providing corporate support services, each and every client is guaranteed specific expert advice and support, whether that means being asked to act as the interim finance director, helping to get all the ducks in a row for sales, mergers and acquisitions, or collating and reporting on the implications of the latest legislation.

Accounting

Annual accounts are a fundamental requirement but they should do more than simply meet statutory obligations. In preparing accounts we help you to understand where you are and how to get to where you want to be. While the number crunching, form filling and bean counting are all performed diligently, we also help you by reviewing, interrogating and interpreting the figures.

Audit and Assurance

We are registered to be able to carry out audit work with the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. For those companies and organisations with either a statutory or voluntary requirement, we provide an efficient and effective service using the latest technology. Helping to add value means providing you with valuable feedback and advice in accordance with the latest professional and legislative requirements. As well as full audits, we provide a whole range of assurance reports as required.

Outsourcing a Finance Department

Burton Sweet's qualified accountants and support teams provide a complete range of financial services, which extends to acting as an interim finance director or putting in place a complete in-house team.

Business Development

All businesses are fluid and all go through a lifecycle. We're here to help at every stage, from starting out through growth, acquisition and consolidation towards your preferred exit. Experience shows that the more involved we are, the better positioned you are to cope with the trials and tribulations of being in business.

Values that add up

As a company and as individuals, the guiding principles that we champion and uphold above all others are Expertise, Commitment and Value. Reflected in our behaviour as much as our promises, they are far more than random wholesale labels. Holding ourselves accountable to them is as important in measuring success as the firm's balance sheet.

Audit and Assurance

Burton Sweet is registered to carry out audit work and prepare other assurance reports for companies and organisations with a statutory or voluntary audit requirement.

- Audit and assurance reports
- Financial and management reports around key performance indicators
- Business planning including health checks, valuations and forecasts
- Company and personal tax planning
- Raising finance and credit
- Interim financial management
- Recruitment of key financial and management personnel
- Forensic investigation
- Restructuring
- Preparation for sales, acquisitions, MBOs, MBIs
- Disposal
- Exit strategy
- Company secretarial duties
- Payroll bureau
- Accounts and compliance
- Vat registration and returns
- Estate planning, power of attorney and executorship



Burton Sweet has helped produce robust financial reporting systems for the most complex projects.

Case Study A Helping Hand

The Client

A well-established warehousing and distribution company suffering from a downturn in business.

The Challenge

To provide regular, constructive advice to help manage cashflow issues and regenerate the business, whilst taking over from the client's long-standing previous accountants.

The Solution

One of our directors attends the bi-monthly board meeting, providing independent advice on a range of business subjects. Budgeting models have been developed to assist the client and through our multi-disciplinary teams we have helped the client address cashflow issues.



We provide a full accountancy and taxation compliance service for the company and its directors.

Great Results

The client has the reassurance of high quality professional advice and their business has returned to profitability at turnover levels not experienced since the business was formed.

Case Study Cost-Effective Auditing

The Client

With a turnover exceeding the audit threshold, this rapidly-growing client was in need of more cost-effective auditing.

The Challenge

We were asked to replace the existing top 20 international firm as auditors and develop a more proactive approach to help the client address their challenges to growth.

The Solution

We provide a cost-effective audit service covering both the statutory accounts and other assurance reports. The Burton Sweet team now has a positive working relationship with the board to help them address problematic strategic issues to tight deadlines.



Great Results

The client continues to grow and has managed to focus on addressing the obstacles to further expansion that the directors were facing.

Expert Advisers and Support



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