

OVOLO  
BUILDING  
CONSULTANCY

Expert  
Witness



## Areas of Expert Work

**Building & workmanship disputes**  
including quantum

**Failed cavity wall insulation**

**Housing disrepair matters**

**Building defects and pathology**  
including damp, condensation, mould,  
structural issues, roofs, walls & floors

**Personal injury**

**Building quality and  
workmanship standards**

**Building insurance and warranty claims**  
including fire, flood, structural, subsidence, etc.

**Professional competence & negligence**  
of Building Surveyors, Architectural Designers  
and Contract administrators

**Forensic analysis**  
of building surveys and reports

**Building accessibility**

**JCT Contract & Contract Administration**  
(Minor Works and Intermediate Forms)

## Advanced Technology



At Ovolo we utilise a range of the latest equipment and advanced technology during inspections - depending on the issue being investigated.

This includes:

- boroscopes
- access cameras
- high level cameras
- thermal imaging
- surface temperature readers
- damp meters
- and calcium carbide meters.

We also have access to several well regarded laboratories which undertake material testing on our behalf.

All our reports are prepared in accordance with CPR part 35 and are well researched & written, clear & well presented.



# Expert Witness Credentials



Ovolo founder Matthew Wood is our qualified Expert Witness who undertakes all such work

Matthew has received formal legal training to obtain the Cardiff University Bond Solon Civil Expert Witness Certificate - the premier qualification for Expert Witnesses. This covers:

- report writing
- civil law & procedure
- courtroom skills
- and cross-examination.

He's also a member of the National Register of University Certificated Expert Witnesses and Construction Law Society, and undertakes regular training and CPD.

At Ovolo we do not accept instructions which are not within Matthew's level of expertise and knowledge. However, we have a network of well-regarded sub consultants to call on when assistance is required.

Matthew has completed numerous reports on building matters for Court use, both as Expert and Single Joint Expert. These include Housing Disrepair, failed cavity wall insulation, defective workmanship, personal injury, professional negligence and building defects. All Expert Witness reports are prepared in accordance with CPR part 35 requirements and are thoroughly researched, well written and carefully presented.

Matthew is currently training to become an **Expert Determiner**. This is a form of Alternate Dispute Resolution in which an independent expert is appointed to resolve the matter. This covers a range of building, technical & quantum matters and is particularly suited to insurance related disputes.

## Professional Bodies:

- Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors
- Chartered Institute of Building
- The Construction Law Society
- Expert Witness Institute
- British Damage Management Association (Claims Practitioner)
- National Register of University Certificated Expert Witnesses



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## Locations covered & fees



Ovolo are based in Wakefield, West Yorkshire and our Expert Witness Matthew Wood works throughout the UK.

The initial consultation is free and fees are generally charged on an hourly basis. Where possible we'll give an estimate of fees, based on the time required. This is time needed to inspect or analyse the issue, peruse documents, undertake research and prepare the expert report.

Our aim is to provide a highly professional and quality, yet personal service to residential and commercial clients throughout the UK.

## About Ovolo

Matthew Wood has worked for a variety of larger companies, including private practice, loss adjusting, local authority, housing associations and facilities management. It became clear to him that there was a niche for a more personal Building Surveying service. Utilising modern technology and his years of experience, he could provide professional, cost effective building services to residential and commercial clients. And so Ovolo Building Consultancy was formed.

Ovolo's aim is to provide a highly professional, top quality, yet personal service. These services are split between Building Defect Analysis, Project Management, Expert Witness, Conservation and Professional Services.

Presently our main sectors of work are Private Clients & Landlords, Insurance (including Major/ Complex Loss and High Net Worth), Heritage, Leisure & Retail, Education and Social Housing.

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