How do Large Consultancies Develop Ground Source Solutions?

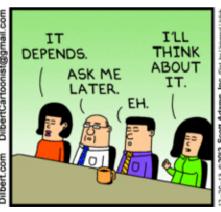
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Outline

- My role at Arup
- The 'process'
- Large consultancies
- Examples
- How designers and installers can help while helping themselves



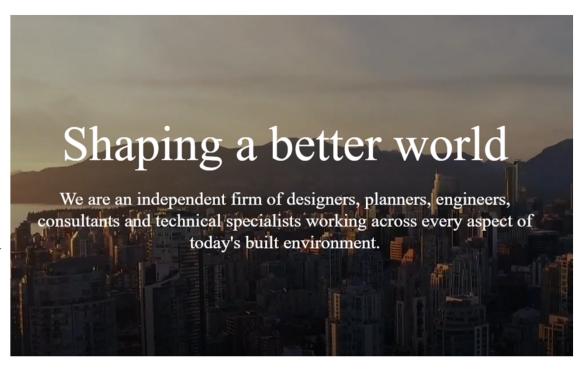




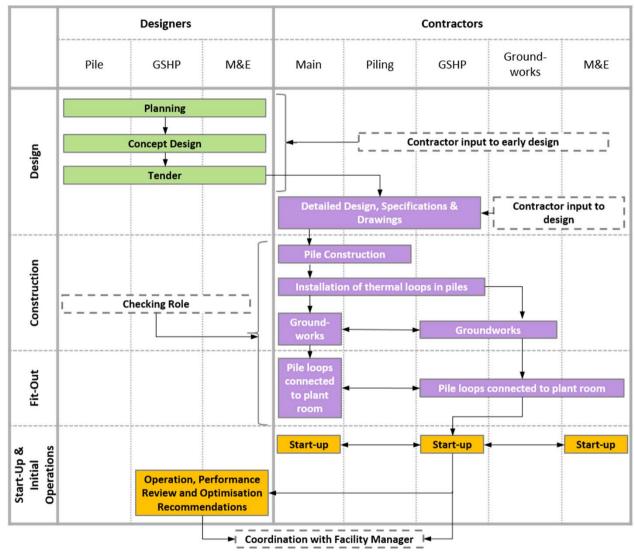


Arup

- 13,000+ globally
- Employs specialists in
 - Planning
 - Energy
 - M&E
 - Ground Source
 - Sustainability
- My role:
 - Sit in London within Geotechnics
 - Lead ground source, geothermal, and hydrogeology practices
 - Success within Arup is built on visibility & communication

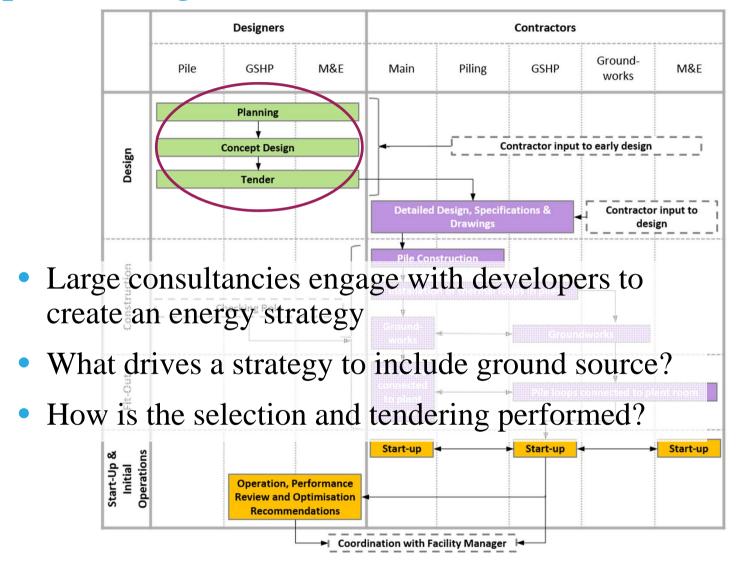


Typical Design Process



Taken from 2017 revised GSHPA revised thermal pile standard

Typical Design Process



The Selection Process

• What are the owner's drivers... Capex, planning approval, sustainability, innovation? Project Emerges • Definition of constraints • Cost benefit analysis Energy • What is the consultant's scope & budget? Strategy • Can the owner afford the solution? Decision

In London '35% better standard than Part L'

Planning Hierarchy in London

- Energy Efficiency
- Energy Supply (District Heating & push towards CHP)
- Renewable Energy (Heat Pumps)

SAP 2012

SAP 2016

- Carbon Factor updates
- Stricter Air Quality requirements
- Will see HPs favoured over CHP?

Also, in London '35% better standard than Part L'

Large Consultancies

- Thousands of employees... mostly engineers and scientists
- Bureaucracy
- What is driving us?
 - Our Budget
 - Delivering on Time
 - Value to Client (repeat business)

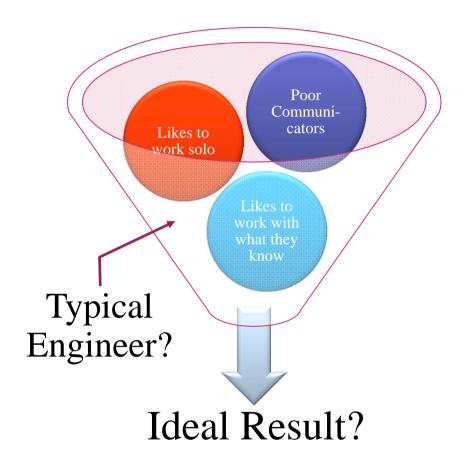


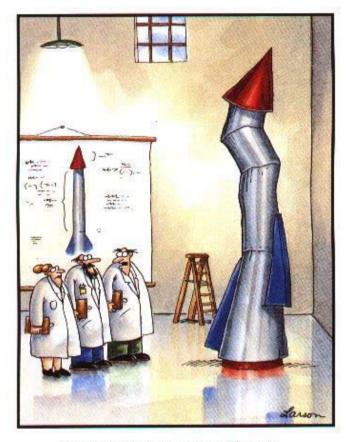
Pop Quiz!

- Arup employs around:
 - **A**. 3,000
 - **B**. 13,000
 - C. 30,000
- AECOM employs around:
 - A. 9,000
 - **B**. 19,000
 - C. 90,000



Engineers as planners?





"It's time we face reality, my friends. ... We're not exactly rocket scientists."

Projects are successful when we rise above these stereotypes

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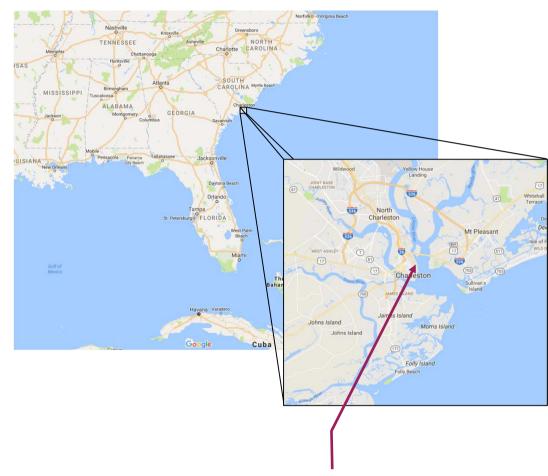
- Arup employs...
 - A. Ground Source & Geotechnics Engineers
 - **B.** Planning Specialists
 - C. M&E Engineers
 - D. Sustainability Specialists
 - E. Contractors
 - F. All of the above
 - G. All but E





South Carolina USA: Not a good day

- Signed up to 100% heating & cooling from ground source
- No consideration of River Source
- Lacked robust cost benefit analysis
- Poor communication



Site is at mouth of river

• Result: Lost opportunity

How to help?







- Offer to share knowledge
 - Lunchtime talks
 - Early contractor/designer engagement
 - Maintain an independent & unbiased views
 - Good route to introductions
- Remember their drivers
 - Budget, schedule, value to client
- Be patient & courteous
 - They may not be in control (even if they should be)
 - It's ok to send reminders... they are busy and pulled in many directions

Open Discussion





