



CASE HISTORY

MAKING THE MOST OF ALLOWANCES ON PLANT AND MACHINERY

With the withdrawal of Industrial Buildings allowance, Lentells are advising clients investing in any kind of building to analyse what parts of the building can qualify as plant and machinery as this can produce valuable tax allowances. Lentells have already saved two clients considerable amounts of money by working with their architects and surveyors to produce a breakdown – with Lentells using their expertise on what qualifies as plant and machinery and the architects or surveyors isolating the values.

For one client, a group of care homes, the savings are potentially huge. Lentells began to advise this client after they built a new care home. Working with the architect, Lentells found that between 25 and 30% of the build costs qualified as plant and machinery. The allowances do not apply to new buildings alone; therefore Lentells are currently conducting an analysis of all the homes acquired by the Group and expect to find over £2 million of unclaimed allowances. The bonus in this is that the plant and machinery element of these buildings are not separately identifiable assets, so identifying them does not reduce the value of the building as a business asset.

Remember, these details are for information only. For advice on individual cases contact us to arrange a free, informal and no obligation initial meeting.

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