

EXCELLENCE IN INNOVATION & DESIGN

BGA Architects



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BGA Architects are an RIBA award-winning architectural practice based in Newtownards, County Down. The practice was established in 1984 by Brian Grahame and is now led by Managing Director, John Lavery. John and the team specialise in working in the residential sector, however they also possess considerable experience in designing a wide variety of building types.

Chartered with the RIBA and registered with ARB, BGA Architects currently design projects throughout Northern Ireland. The practice has a highly respected reputation locally and is expanding geographically with recent commissions in both London and Glasgow.

BGA Architects' growing residential portfolio has been recognised in the last four RSUA Design Awards, winning awards in both the Residential and Regeneration Categories. Earlier this year, BGA Architects won an RIBA Regional Award. In 2012, the practice was shortlisted for 'Design and Innovation' in the RICS Awards, and in 2015 they was also shortlisted for Architectural Firm of the Year. In the same year, John reached the final three for 'Designer of the Year' in the Irish Construction Industry Awards.

The practice typically deals with budgets ranging from £25,000 to £1 million, with the bulk of its contracts falling between £150,000 and £500,000. Whether the client envisages a traditional or contemporary style and whether the project is a renovation or a new build, the team apply the same fundamental approach ensuring a seamless journey from design process through to the construction phase. From inception to completion, BGA Architects provide a professional and friendly service.

Located in a rural market town, BGA Architects possess a particular expertise for Planning Policies in the countryside. The Corporate LiveWire judging panel commented that: "too often we see architects play it safe with traditional design concepts, whereas BGA Architects have been bold and innovative – particularly in their rural residential designs. Despite the challenges of building within a hillside, the 007 House perfectly embraces its surrounding natural landscape. We were also impressed with the Long Barn near Strangford Lough which tastefully blends in with its surroundings by offering a modern take on typical agricultural buildings found in these parts."



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