

SECTOR BROCHURE

Adaptive Reuse

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Introduction

BG&E is an international civil and structural engineering consultancy celebrated for its innovative, cost-effective, and award-winning designs.

With a dynamic team spanning 15 offices worldwide - including Australia, New Zealand, South East Asia, the United Kingdom (UK) and Middle East - we unite local and international professionals to deliver practical solutions with a strong focus on constructability.

Our clients consistently return to us, attesting to our exceptional service, responsiveness, and track record for delivering tailored solutions for technically challenging projects. The quantity and scope of engineering awards we've received acknowledge our diverse industry contributions and the exceptional quality of the services we deliver across a host of regions, disciplines, and sectors.

*TNT Apartments -
Redfern, NSW, Australia.*





*333 Kent Street –
Sydney, NSW, Australia.*

Adaptive Reuse

Adaptive Reuse is one of the most effective ways to both reduce embodied carbon in construction and adapt our built environment to changing demands.

Sustainable development encompasses principles and practices such as high energy efficiency, net-zero impacts, and embracing circularity with minimal material use. The adaptive reuse of existing buildings is integral to this holistic approach, creating future-proof built assets while upholding community values.

Given that the building and construction sector accounts for nearly 40% of the world's greenhouse gas emissions, it is no surprise that the industry is increasingly embracing adaptive reuse to meet net-zero goals and sustainability pledges. This shift is driven by the commitments outlined in the Paris Agreement, adopted at the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP21).

In Europe, we are witnessing a transformation in the way the built environment is developed. Over the last few years, Nordic countries and the UK have enacted legislative changes that encourage the adaptive reuse of buildings, with traditional demolition-and-rebuild development proposals only being approved if there is no case for the upcycle of the existing structure.

In the Asia-Pacific region, the trend toward adaptive reuse is gaining momentum, and BG&E is at the forefront of this movement.

Our unique ability to leverage our in-house Structural Engineering, Materials and Durability, Construction Engineering (Temporary Works), and Façade disciplines - combined with decades of experience in successfully delivering adaptive reuse projects, has earned us recognition as industry leaders in the adaptive reuse sector.

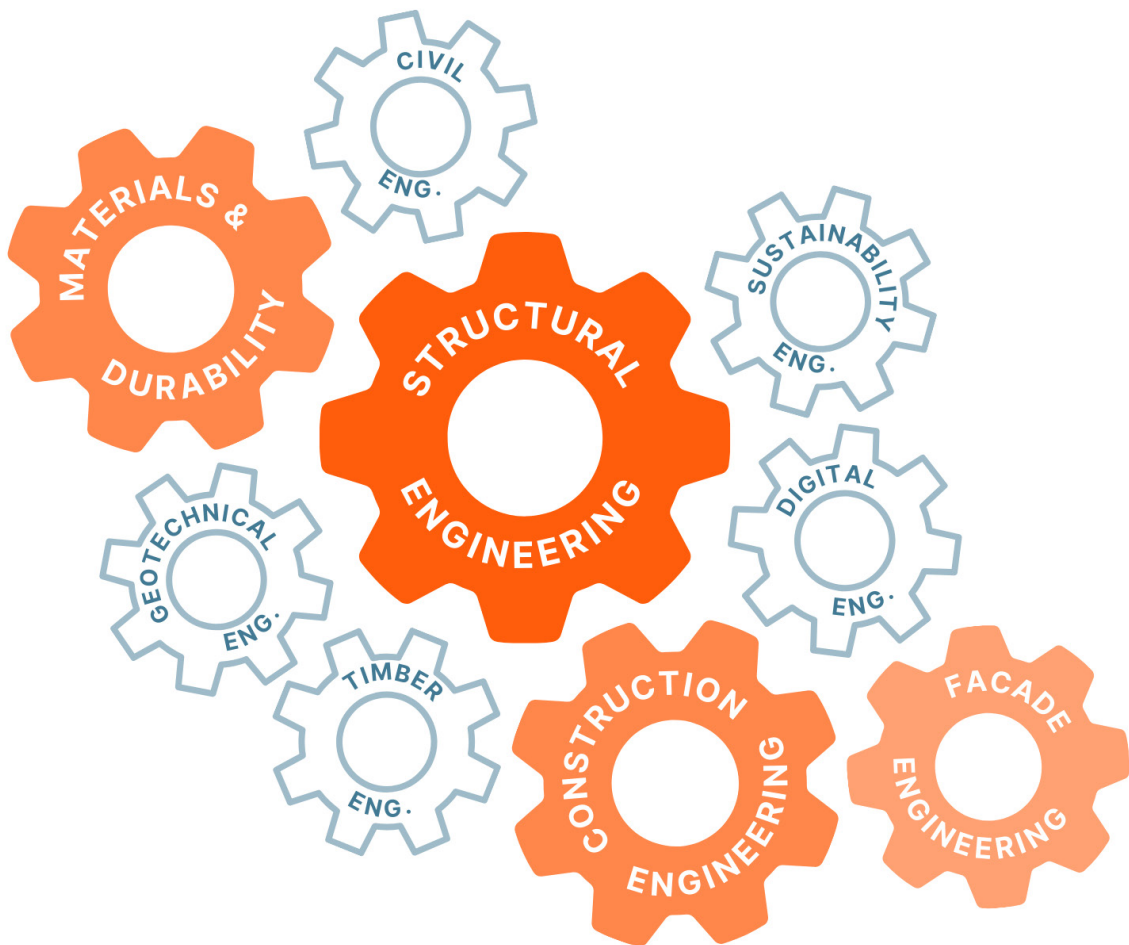
*Mudgee Arts Precinct -
Mudgee, NSW, Australia.*



SEAMLESS INTEGRATION:

Driving Innovation Across Disciplines

What sets BG&E apart is the cohesive collaboration of our in-house technical disciplines - which enables us to thoroughly understand existing structures and deliver optimal designs in terms of buildability and the final product.



Why Adaptive Reuse?

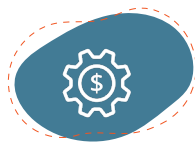
Adaptive reuse is rapidly gaining momentum as it aligns with global sustainability trends by cutting carbon footprints, minimising waste, and repurposing materials efficiently - all while saving costs and preserving and revitalising iconic structures.



Reduces a project's carbon footprint by minimising waste, saving energy and conserving resources.



Retains and increases a structures height, which is not always achievable with the traditional demolition-and-rebuild method.



Minimises costs by reducing waste removal to be transported and disposed, materials expenses and total construction time.



Adheres to circular economy principles, reusing building materials like glass, sprinkler piping, mechanical ducting and façade materials.



Preserves the cultural, heritage and historic value of significant structures - maintaining the character and social value of old buildings.



Adding value to existing structures and providing flexibility to asset holders depending on the changing needs of clients and communities.

The Project Lifecycle

FEASIBILITY STAGE

- Address site constraints and optimise structural efficiency.
- Provide façade remedial and re-cladding advice.
- Develop heritage façade retention strategies.
- Provide sustainability advice and implement embodied carbon reduction strategies.
- Offer structural design consideration advice to future-proof buildings and maximise layout flexibility.
- Utilise BIM for integrated design processes and whole life cycle asset management.
- Advice on certification strategies.
- Conduct asset performance and remaining life assessment.
- Identify dilapidation remediation strategies.



TESTING & CONDITION ASSESSMENT

- Develop a material testing plan (including non-destructive and destructive materials testing).
- Assessment of existing structural capacity and load-rating.
- Minimise foundation upgrade via detailed geotechnical investigation.



DESIGN

- Structural and construction engineering (including permanent and temporary works design).
- Strengthening complex foundations and structures using state-of-the-art technologies.
- Achieving seismic compliance and re-certification of the refurbished building.
- Assessment of timber and façade (including fire protection).
- Design for durability.
- Design to comply with the latest standards and regulations.
- Tailor construction methodologies for a fast-tracked program.
- Re-cladding and weatherproofing principles design.



CONSTRUCTION

- Constructability staging advice to connect retained structures with new buildings.
- Localised demolition sequencing.
- Excavation support.
- Advice on structural monitoring.
- Full scope of construction phase services, including site supervision).



OPERATION & MAINTENANCE / DECOMMISSIONING

- Post construction building response and movement monitoring.
- Structural defects assessment and ongoing asset management.



ICONS LEGEND



STRUCTURAL
ENGINEERING



CONSTRUCTION
ENGINEERING



SUSTAINABILITY



FAÇADE



MATERIALS &
DURABILITY



DIGITAL
ENGINEERING & BIM



GEOTECHNICAL



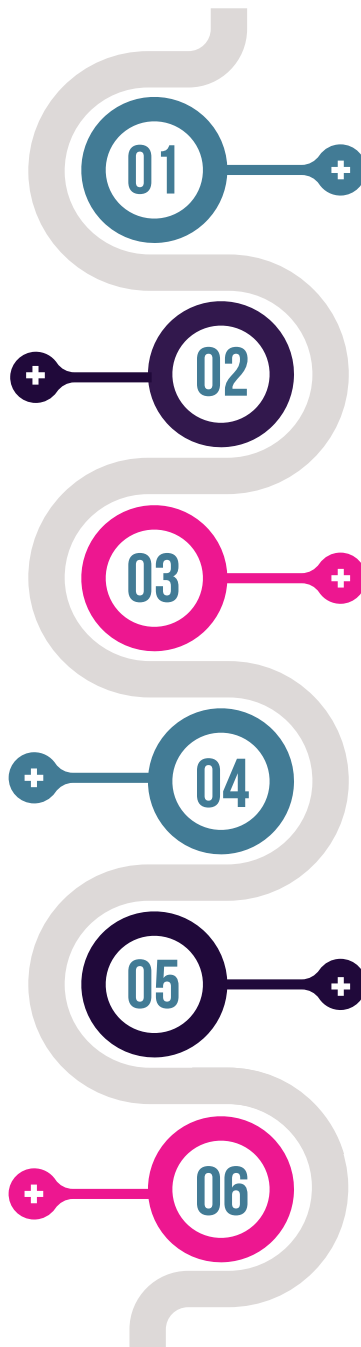
TIMBER
* Timber (up to "approved for
construction" submission only)

Why BG&E for Adaptive Reuse?

In-house Digital Engineering capabilities, which allow us to use tools such as digital twins to stimulate the construction phase, including total building movement.

Extensive technical experience, backed by a **proven track record** in the field.

High level of responsiveness, confirmed by client feedback.

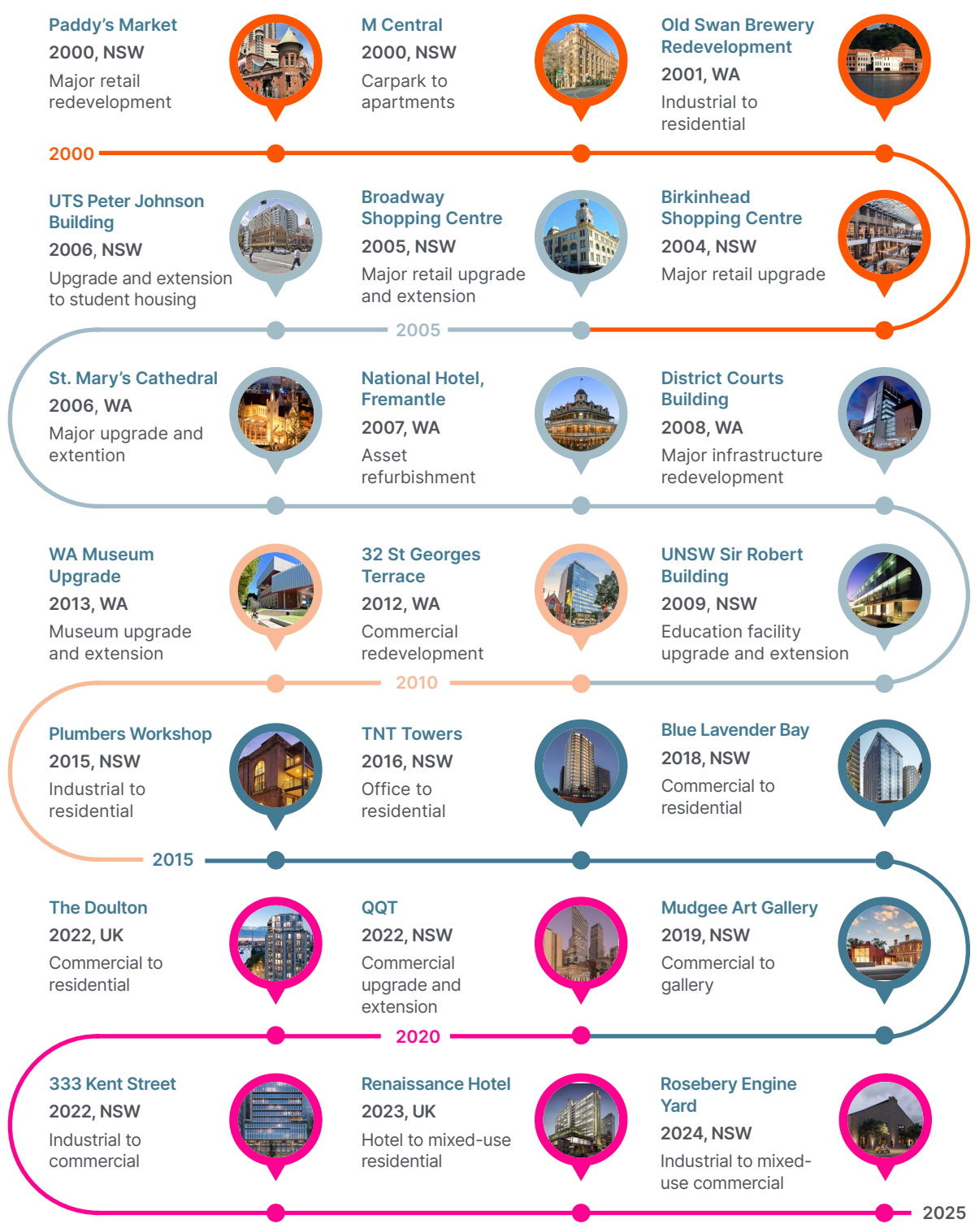


Seamless integration of our Materials and Durability, Construction Engineering (Temporary Works) and Façade disciplines with Structural Engineering empowers us to deliver projects from testing through to design and execution with unparalleled expertise.

Longstanding partnerships with asset owners, fostering a deep understanding of their operations both nationally and abroad.

Seasoned experts with 20+ years of experience in their respective fields and regions.

Our Broad Profile





“QQT has been a significant engineering achievement, Multiplex and BG&E have worked collaboratively together over the last four years to overcome a multitude of engineering challenges. BG&E are a solution-oriented engineering firm with a can-do attitude. Their approach to problem solving, combined with their engineering expertise, has enabled Multiplex to successfully deliver QQT. I recommend BG&E as an engineering firm of considerable skill and capability.”

Robert Kiely

Senior Design Manager, Multiplex Australasia



CTBUH, winner:
2023 Award of
Excellence - Best
Tall Building 200-
299 metres.



WAF (Lisbon),
winner: 2023 UK,
Buildings - Office
Award.



German Architecture
Museum (DAM) and
DekaBank (Germany),
winner: 2022/23
International High-Rise
Award.



IABSE, winner: 2023
Gold Star Award
& Rehabilitation
Category.



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Most Innovative
Built & Natural
Environment
Consulting Firm.



At BG&E, we are united by a common purpose – we believe that truly great engineering takes curiosity, bravery and trust, and is the key to creating extraordinary built environments.

Our team of more than 1100 highly skilled people, in offices across Australia, New Zealand, South East Asia, the United Kingdom and Middle East, design and deliver engineering solutions for clients in the Property, Transport, Ports and Marine, Water, Defence, Energy and Resources sectors.

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