ABSTRACT

In this dissertation, the writer proposes to look into the option of developer with "in-house" main contractor as a viable option in project procurement.

In the course of a literature survey, it was noted that very little has been written on this area. As such, an opinion survey was conducted to collate the professional opinions on the comparative advantages and shortcomings with this form of project procurement option in contrast to where the contractor is of a separate entity to the project team.

The survey basically covers the very important aspects of Project Management such as collaboration amongst project participants, quality of works, speed and cost of construction and the type of project where it may be more suitable to adopt the developer with construction arm arrangement.

A case study is also included to supplement the survey and highlight salient issues for such "in-house" arrangements in the hope of instilling better awareness and the possibility of such business synergy.

The conclusion drawn was that other things being equal such an option could lead to a speedier and cheaper construction and can be a viable procurement option.