

# Asta Powerproject



POWERFUL PROJECT, PORTFOLIO AND  
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE



# WHY INVEST IN A PROJECT, PORTFOLIO AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SOLUTION?

Today's management challenges need innovative solutions that enable businesses to adapt quickly to challenging situations. **Asta Powerproject** allows ambitious and forward thinking companies to build strategic plans, blending projects together to maximise their overall benefits, whilst allowing change to happen in an efficient and organised way.

The Project, Portfolio and Resource Management process involves grouping projects so that they can be managed as a working portfolio. Although they may not necessarily share a common individual objective, all projects share the same resource pool - people, time and costs - which can be utilised much more efficiently, using **Asta Powerproject**.

**Projects can still be individually managed and tailored as needed, but each project can also be viewed in context of the total portfolio. Allowing your organisation's projects to:**

- ▼ Be more cost effective
- ▼ Be more efficient
- ▼ Be delivered on time

## ASTA POWERPROJECT DELIVERS IMPROVED:

**Project Portfolio Management** – Delivering the optimum mix of multiple project resources and time management, across varying projects.

**Project Management** – Through extensive rescheduling features, including Critical Path Analysis you can fully assess the impact of changes across all projects.

**Programme Management** – By enabling interdependent projects to be managed efficiently.

**Resource Management** – Ensuring the best use of all types of resources for standalone or multiple projects.

**Cost & Revenue Management** – Giving accurate up to date information and cost analysis enabling improved cash flow.

**Time & Expense Management** – Integrated web based timesheets for accurate time recording. Managers can easily monitor project costs and expenses.

**ASTA POWERPROJECT** – the total solution for managing projects and resources to help achieve on-time, on-cost delivery across multiple projects.

*"It's important to use resources wisely, people have to be spread around. Fortunately Asta's software makes this a painless task... we can see exactly which individual resources are over- or under-used and it helps us realign resource where it is most needed."*

## STALIS LTD

*"We chose Asta Powerproject because it was more user-friendly compared to the other tools we were looking at, and because of how we could use it as a management tool."*

## HANSEN YUNCKEN

*"When you deal with other providers, you feel you are almost like a number to them, but Asta Development provides you with personal service. Support from Asta Development has been exemplary."*

## FOCUS PROJECT MANAGEMENT

**Asta Powerproject** has the flexibility to meet the varying needs of everyone involved in running projects and those who rely on project performance. It is widely relied upon to support project activity, at all levels of complexity, across a broad range of industry sectors.

## SECTOR PROFILE EXAMPLES

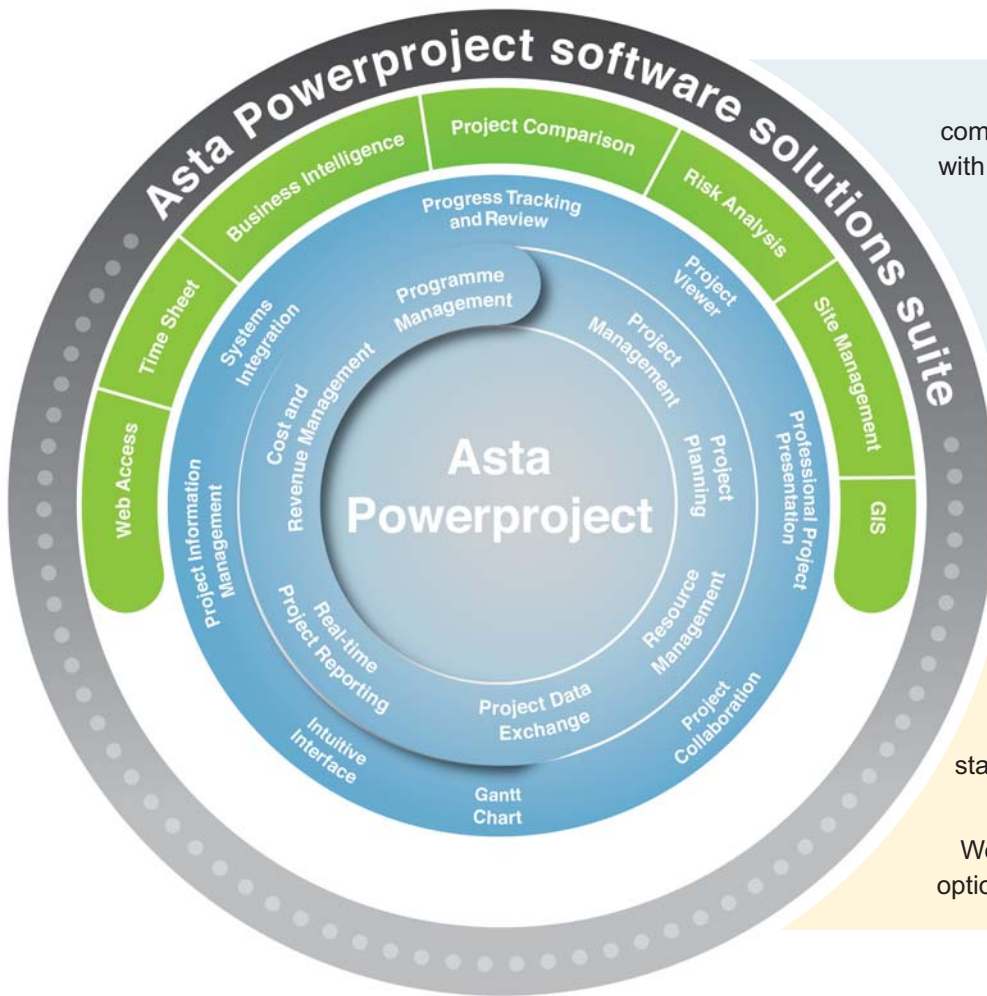
IT DEPARTMENTS	CONSTRUCTION	CONSULTANCIES	SERVICE-LED ORGANISATIONS	PUBLIC SECTOR
<p><b>Sector Issues</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▼ On-time project delivery</li> <li>▼ Demonstrating resource requirements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▼ Managing sub-contractors</li> <li>▼ Tailored stakeholder reporting</li> <li>▼ Protection against claims</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▼ Maximising fee-earning income</li> <li>▼ Capturing billable time accurately</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▼ Team resource management</li> <li>▼ Tracking results against objectives</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▼ Increasing project success rate</li> <li>▼ Visibility to government sponsors</li> </ul>

## ASTA POWERPROJECT KEY BENEFITS

<b>INCREASED VISIBILITY</b>	Across all projects using a central database and one-click management reporting. Accessed in real-time via the web or a network – meaning the right decision can be made based on live, real information.
<b>ACCURATE PLANNING</b>	With robust, easy-to-use tools project managers can be more proactive and remain in control. Simple project navigation and role-based views enhance the user experience further.
<b>IMPROVED PROJECT DELIVERY</b>	Create precise project plans that deliver on time and on budget with powerful scheduling, baselining, progress updating and resourcing tools to allow updating of critical paths and feeds.
<b>EFFECTIVE RESOURCE PLANNING</b>	Increase resource utilisation rates with a sophisticated search facility to help allocate the right person or team for each task based on skills, location and availability.
<b>EASY STAKEHOLDER REPORTING</b>	Provide updates on project progress and resource performance with easy-to-read reports to improve communications and support faster decision making. Reports can be created quickly with minimal effort and can be personalised for professional looking presentation.
<b>REDUCE COSTS</b>	Through the provision of role-based tools designed to maximise team efficiency and reduce your project costs.
<b>ACCURATE TIME RECORDING</b>	Team members can record time spent on all tasks remotely through a web-based Time Sheet that integrates with <b>Asta Powerproject</b> .
<b>TIGHTER CONTROLS</b>	Show project costs and income, monitoring actual versus planned figures, so ensuring project budgets are maintained.
<b>REAL TIME, MULTI-USER ACCESS</b>	All project updates and changes are automatically visible and can be accessed simultaneously by multi-users, in real-time, making it easy for everyone involved to be kept informed.
<b>SYSTEM INTEGRATION</b>	Integrate with other project management software and business systems such as HR and accounting for easy sharing of data to reduce administrative effort and increase efficiencies.

Asta Development plc has been leading the market in innovative project, programme and resource management since 1988, with over 60,000 users worldwide. Clients include Canon Europe, Mace, Lancaster University, Datacash, Atkins and Denbighshire County Council.

# THE ASTA POWERPROJECT SUITE



**Asta Powerproject** is a comprehensive product suite with the flexibility to meet the varying needs of all who are involved in running projects and who rely on project performance.

**Asta Powerproject** is available with flexible licencing options for standalone, concurrent and multi-user applications.

We can advise on the right option for your requirements.

## BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE

A powerful analytics reporting tool which enables you to make better, more informed decisions. It enables you to export data from **Asta Powerproject** into a simple database and to create dashboard reporting for senior management and stakeholders. You can drill down, through the graphics, to see the data behind them - down to task level.



# TIME SHEET

A web-based time sheet and expense management tool that provides an efficient, cost effective and accurate tool enabling team members to record project progress, costs and expenses. Once submissions are approved by managers, the main project plan in **Asta Powerproject** is automatically updated, ensuring projects are always up-to-date.

Time Sheet Role Resource Manager Timesheet date 16/10/2011 Project Asta Demo User Admin

License total: 300 -- timesheets this period: 5

Resource	ID	Status	Res Info Edited	Estimate To Complete Changed	Alloc Created	Alloc Deleted	Task Created	Comment for Timesheet	Time Reported On Allocations	Other Time Reported	Total Time Reported	Overtime Reported	Scheduled Time	Last Update	Update By	
Geoff Smith	12	Edited		✓				✓	41h		41h		40h	13/12/2011	Admin	View
Hamid Khan	11	Edited							37h		37h		40h	13/12/2011	Admin	View
Jee Soon	13	Edited							32h		32h		40h	13/12/2011	Admin	View
Mary Richards	15	Edited		✓					34h	2h	36h		40h	13/12/2011	Admin	View
Sue Jones	10	Edited							40h		40h		40h	13/12/2011	Admin	View

Refilter Timesheets

Ignore timesheet date

Show all resources  Specific resource or resources (multi-select)

Show timesheet categories:

None  Created  Edited

Submitted  Rejected  Re-submitted  Resource

Approved  Applied  All Labour

Refilter

Line	Name	Profit Status	Planned Cost	Planned Income	Actual Cost
1	Client D - Technical Support	Yellow	£151,200.00	£1,008,000.00	£151,200.00
2	Client D - CRM Upgrade	Yellow	£10,350.00	£69,000.00	£10,350.00
3	Client E - Business Systems Training	Yellow	£10,600.00	£70,500.00	£10,600.00
4	Client F - Phase 1 Upgrade	Red	£6,300.00	£42,000.00	£6,300.00
5	Client F - Phase 2 Upgrade	Green	£6,750.00	£40,500.00	£6,750.00
6	Client G - Product Development	Yellow	£5,200.00	£33,900.00	£5,200.00
7	Client H - Campaign Development	Green	£10,800.00	£40,500.00	£10,800.00

**WEB ACCESS:** access over the web 24-7 to update progress and view status reports.

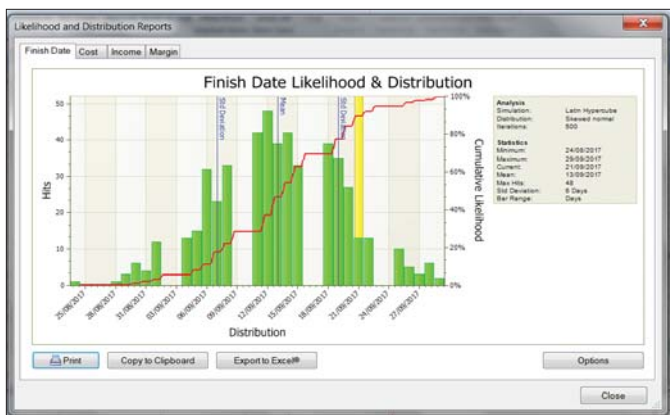
Component

- Added tasks
- Task criticality changes
- Deleted tasks
- Task link changes
- Moved tasks
- Calendar assignment changes
- Code library assignment changes
- Task constraint changes
- Task duration changes
- Task duration % complete changes
- Task free float changes
- Task overall % complete changes
- Task remaining duration changes
- Task start/end date changes
- Task total float changes
- Renamed tasks

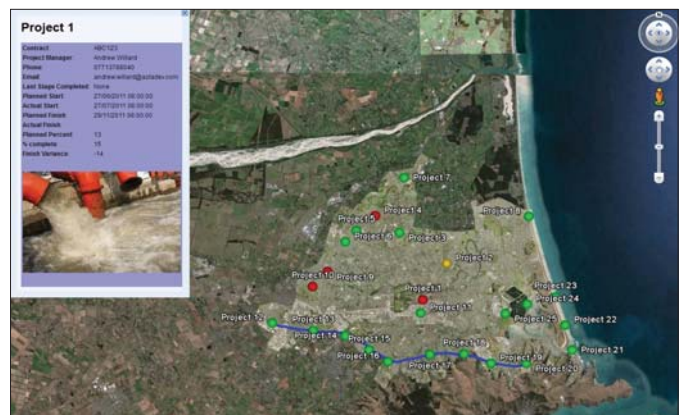
Root chart

- Construction
  - Site Establishment
  - Substructure
  - Superstructure
  - Envelope
  - Internals
- Services
- Finishes
- External Works
- Preliminaries

**PROJECT COMPARISON:** save time comparing project variances



**RISK ANALYSIS:** assess the impact of risks and re-model to best scenario



**GIS:** Visualise your project geographically on a map interface

# HOW ASTA POWERPROJECT WORKS

**Asta Powerproject** allows you to set up role-based views so that different types of users can view important information appropriate to their role.

Data comes from the central database and using intuitive forms, graphical charts and a traffic light flagging system, the system delivers an easy and accurate way to monitor current status against planned milestones and track variances, instantly.

## PROJECT MANAGERS

- ▼ Create new plans quickly, saving you time
- ▼ Baseline each project to track planned versus actual progress
- ▼ Schedule all tasks with full critical path analysis

## RESOURCE MANAGERS

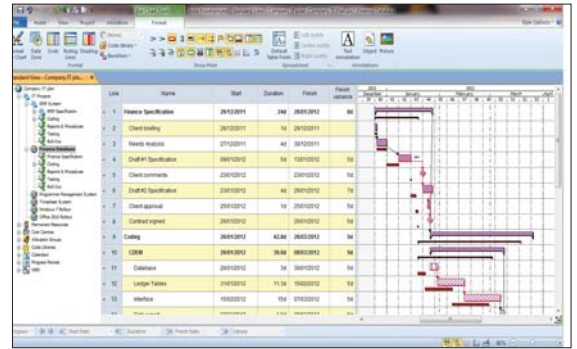
- ▼ Essential resource search facilities and forecasting tools
- ▼ Weight criteria to get closest possible match to requirements
- ▼ Straightforward identification of over-allocation of resources

## TEAM MEMBERS

- ▼ Keep on track using individual, scheduled task lists
- ▼ Accurately record time spent against all tasks
- ▼ Log expenses and submit timesheets remotely online

## SENIOR MANAGEMENT

- ▼ Summary level reports with traffic light system to show variances
- ▼ Business Intelligence tool provides easy access to powerful dashboard reports
- ▼ Multi-level reporting for detailed, strategic analysis



**PROJECT MANAGERS** can easily see slippage against the baseline



**RESOURCE MANAGERS** can instantly see over-allocation of staff

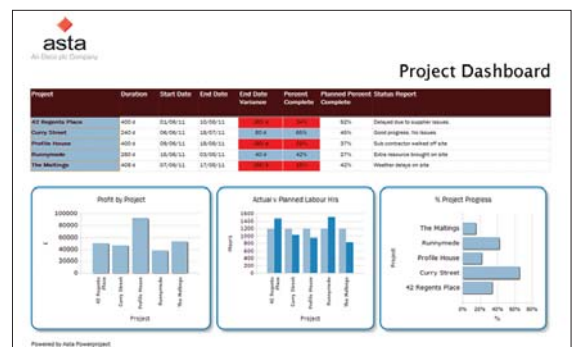
Sl	Project group path	Project	Project manager	Name	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Total	EBRmt remaining
13319	Construction Division	Sarsons Road	Hamed Khan	GA Drawings								7%	1%
13314	Construction Division	Oger Street	Hamed Khan	GA Drawings								11%	1%
14102	Construction Division	Kilber Drive	Hamed Khan	GA Drawings								3%	1%
14104	Construction Division	Holly Valley	Hamed Khan	GA Drawings								2%	1%
				Total								20%	

**TEAM MEMBERS** completed timesheet ready for submission

# FIND OUT MORE ABOUT ASTA POWERPROJECT

To help you gain a clearer understanding of the business benefits and functionality of **Asta Powerproject**, visit our website where you can take a tour of the product suite, see videos and demos and read customer case studies or contact us to arrange a personal demo or trial.

Visit [www.astadev.com](http://www.astadev.com) or call us on 01844 261700



**SENIOR MANAGEMENT** can see live project status using the RAG (red, amber, green) flags

# PROVEN PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION METHOD

With over 20 years experience in implementing our project, portfolio and resource management solutions, we have developed a proven process for maximising the benefits and return from your investment in **Asta Powerproject**. Typically there are six key stages to our implementation process for multi-user systems.



## CONSULTANCY

Our in-house team of dedicated professionals provide all your consultation, implementation and training to help you through each stage of the process. They can save you time by creating project templates and can also assist with the import and export of data between **Asta Powerproject** and other software applications.

## ONGOING SUPPORT

Asta's support and upgrade package will help you get the most of your investment in our software.

## TRAINING

A wide range of training is available to help both new and more experienced users to improve their skills in working with **Asta Powerproject**.

**Asta Powerproject – a powerful, seamless and flexible software solution for multiple projects. Includes software, consultancy, implementation, training and technical support.**

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