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Group simplification

Unlock time, reduce costs, minimise risk

Is your group structure holding you back?

Unused subsidiaries and legacy entities quietly drain management time and inflate costs. Complex group structures slow decision-making and can weaken your position in refinancing or sale negotiations. Many management teams underestimate the hidden cost and risk—often realising it only when pressure is at its highest.

What's the alternative?

Streamlined structures reduce costs, sharpen reporting, and free senior teams from unnecessary distractions. FRP supports organisations across all sectors to simplify their group structures with minimal disruption.

Take the first step

Contact [Neil Withington](mailto:neil.withington@frpadvisory.com), on +44(0) 113 733 0754 or by email neil.withington@frpadvisory.com or your local FRP office contact for a free, confidential scoping review to map your group, identify quick wins and highlight where simplification will deliver the greatest value.

FRP supports management teams to streamline their group structures to refocus on value creation and growth

According to Companies House data, more than two million dormant or inactive entities are registered in the UK, the majority sitting within large corporate group structures.

These dormant, duplicate, or legacy subsidiaries quietly absorb valuable resources – time, money, and management attention. From preparing annual accounts and tax filings to coordinating board meetings and sign-offs, the cumulative administrative and compliance burden becomes significant. When multiplied across a group and over years of ownership, these tangible and intangible costs create a substantial drain on organisational capacity.

But the impact extends far beyond cost alone. Outdated entities and overly complex group structures slow decision-making, obscure accountability, and dilute value by diverting focus from strategic priorities and growth.

This ‘group structure drag’ often becomes most visible at moments of real pressure, an urgent refinancing, a critical debt raise, or a last-minute challenge during a merger or disposal. At precisely the wrong time, these legacy issues surface as an avoidable distraction, despite being relatively straightforward to resolve.

Typical triggers

- Leadership or board level changes
- Rising audit and compliance costs
- Growth through acquisition creating duplication
- Refinancing or investment through shareholders, banks or alternative debt
- Shareholder or regulatory pressure for structural clarity
- Planning for future acquisitions or disposals

Why it matters



Lower cost

Tangible and intangible cost savings across audit, tax and compliance.



Less risk

Improved governance and reduced director exposure.



Real value

Cleaner structures strengthen valuations and reduce due-diligence drag.



Growth capacity

Management can focus on strategic delivery, not legacy admin.



Who we work with

- CFOs and FDs managing financing/debt positions and audit pressure
- Boards and NEDs pursuing better governance and oversight
- Company Secretaries and Group Legal seeking clarity of reporting and control
- CEOs seeking clarity within the group structure and a reduction in directorships

Our approach

We begin with a free scoping review: mapping your group, identifying quick wins, highlighting priority areas, and outlining where simplification will deliver the greatest value. Once engaged, we follow a proven four-phase methodology:

Validate > Plan > Implement > Eliminate

Within this framework, FRP provides project management, specialist tools, and deep technical expertise. You bring the knowledge of your business, internal processes, and strategic priorities.

Together, we deliver a streamlined group structure, a clear audit trail of decisions, and a renewed clarity of purpose. FRP are with you every step of the from initial analysis to delivering the liquidations from any one of our National office network.

Why FRP



Straightfoward

We deliver results. By working closely with clients, incumbent advisers, and trusted third parties, we identify and implement the best solution available.



Cross-service

Co-ordinated solutions drawing on the breadth of FRP's expertise across Corporate Finance, Restructuring, Debt, and Governance.



Conflict-free

With no audit or tax relationships, we integrate seamlessly with your advisers. Our approach is fully collaborative from start to finish.



Experienced

From mid-market to listed groups, across sectors and borders, we bring deep expertise combined with specific industry experience.

Group Simplification and Liquidation contacts

Whether you are looking to streamline a complex group structure or eliminate a single entity by way of MVL, FRP are here to help. Please get in touch with Neil, Ian or your local FRP office.

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