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UK Building Surveying Conference

Driving best practice





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The RICS Building Surveying Conference, which is the most popular and established UK event in the industry, is returning to an in-person conference for the May 2023 edition.

This year, it will focus on preparing Building Surveyors on the latest regulatory shifts, with a particular focus on new building safety and energy efficiency requirements.

Three concurrent breakouts will focus on the key upcoming priorities for the profession – from the latest standards and sector updates to guidance and best practice examples of surveying practice and innovation.

This is our biggest chance to make a strong impact on public safety and the future of our communities. New competencies are needed, new safety roles will be required, and new guidance and professional standards will need to be followed to ensure we continue to deliver on our responsibilities towards clients and the wider society.

Enrich your knowledge by networking face-to-face with your peers and thought leaders in the industry, which will drive forward your practice, ensuring its success in the future.

Programme

3 May 2023

08:30 Registration and networking

09:30 Welcome Remarks from the Conference Chair
Lynda Jubb BSc(Hons) PGDipBuildCons PGCertUrbEnvDesign FRICS IHBC, Director, Jubb Clews Ltd

09:35 Welcome by RICS
Ann Gray FRICS, RICS President

09:40 Opening Address
Kicking off the conference is an essential update from the HSE, which will provide an overview of the latest building safety regulations.
Colin Blatchford-Brown, Operational Policy Lead for Gateways & Building Control, HSE

Economic Update and Discussion

The latest trends in the economy and property market

Explore the latest forecast for the economy, property market and construction industry against a backdrop of ongoing inflation pressures and rising interest rates. Gain insight on how the economy is expected to perform this year and the implications for the construction sector and real estate.

10:10
Panel moderator: **Simon Rubinsohn**, Chief Economist, RICS
Rachel Coleman, Associate Research Analyst, **Turner & Townsend alinea**
Simon Wells, Chief European Economist, HSBC
Stephanie McMahon, Head of Strategy, **BNP Paribas Real Estate**

10:55 Refreshment break & networking

Breakout Sessions

Stream A – Standards, Sector & Legal Updates

Dr Kevin Thomas, Associate Dean International, **Teesside University**

Stream B – Building Safety & Energy Efficiency

Dr Samantha Organ MRICS, Senior Lecturer in Building Surveying & Senior Buildings Asset Manager, Sustainability, **The University of the West of England & The National Trust**

Stream C – Surveying Practice & Innovation

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1A Standards, Sector & Legal Updates

Construction Law Update – Latest Case Law

An update on the key cases in the construction sector from the last 12 months, including decisions relating to liability and quantum issues in building safety disputes, adjudication, and issues in relation to expert evidence in litigation.

Emily Monastiriotis, International Head of Dispute Resolution, Partner, **Simmons & Simmons LLP**
Oli Macrae, Supervising Associate, **Simmons & Simmons LLP**
Steve Kaye, Partner, **Simmons & Simmons LLP**

11:25

1B Building Safety & Energy Efficiency

The latest on Fire Safety and PAS9980

Join this session to hear the latest and critical updates on Fire Safety from Gary Strong before delving into a practical application of the PAS9980 and explore key learnings.

Gary Strong FRICS FCI Arb C.BuildE FCABE FCILA FUEDI-ELAE, Global Building Standards Director & Fire Safety Lead, RICS
Jon Pagan, Head of Technical, **IFC Group**, **Kiwi**

1C Surveying Practice & Innovation

Defects – exploring some topical themes

11:25

- Condensation and Mould
- Indoor air quality
- The responses of buildings to climate change and the risks of overheating
- The growing awareness to RAAC
- Heat soaking of toughened glass – effective or not?

Trevor Ruston FRICS, Group Chairman, Watts

12:10

2A Standards, Sector & Legal Updates

The Future of buildings and the impact on dilapidations claims.

Join this session to gain insight on the latest in UK dilapidations. This session will provide an overview of key developments from the RICS working group and from the recent Dilapidations conference. It will raise critical questions on the dilapidations profession and will explore how to navigate the future of dilapidations.

- What are the current barriers and opportunities?
- How can we adapt to changes in demand?
- What other skills does this profession need to continue to grow and develop?
- How can we support the next generation of professionals?

Claire Hood, Director, Building & Project Consultancy & Dilapidations Specialist, **Savills**.

2B Building Safety & Energy Efficiency

12:15

Building Safety – A New Regime for the industry and new roles for Building Surveyors

- The changing world of approvals – the changes to the building control environment
- Duty holder roles and surveyor support

David McCulloch FRICS, Chair, **RICS Fire Safety Group**

2C Surveying Practice & Innovation

Modern Methods of Construction

This panel of experts will discuss the latest in MMC and how it is developing in the UK

- It will discuss recent projects.
- It will navigate some of the barriers and challenges, and how to overcome them.
- Horizon scanning – what's the future for MMC?

Panel moderator: **Liz Male MBE FCIPR**, Director, **LMC**

Scott Tacchi, Head of MMC, **Sir Robert McAlpine**

Steve Nesbitt, Chief Technologist, Construction, and Infrastructure, **MTC**

13:00-

14:00

Lunch break

Breakout Sessions

3A Standards, Sector & Legal Updates

Party Walls Update – the burden on surveyors

- What the courts have said
- The role of the third surveyor
- Where it can go wrong
- Party walls what's new?

Michael Cooper FRICS, Director – Head of Neighbourly matters and Building surveying, **Cooper's Building Surveyors Limited**

14:00

3B Building Safety & Energy Efficiency

The latest in energy standards and maximising retrofitting

Learn the latest regulations in energy efficiency and explore how the use of data can maximise retrofitting.

- What is the latest with PAS 2035?
- The role of data when refurbishing or retrofitting existing buildings
- The importance of measuring building performance accurately
- Key learnings from recent retrofitting projects

Panel moderator: **Liz Male MBE FCIPR**, Director, **LMC**
James Traynor, Managing Director, **ECD Architects**
Luke Smith, Managing Director, **Built Test Solutions Ltd**
Stuart Fairlie BA (Hons), C.Build E MCABE, Managing Director, **Elmhurst Energy**

3C Surveying Practice & Innovation

Case studies – the impact of an effective digital strategy

14:00

Join this session for high level insight from clients and project managers, who will share how they use digital tools and strategy to support practical everyday use, to managing large scale complex projects, such as the refurbishment of the Palace of Westminster.

- Delivering client value through adoption of digital data collection and analysis

Andrew Piper, Technical Director, **Palace of Westminster Restoration and Renewal Programme**

Martin McConnell, Managing Partner, **Hardies Property and Construction Consultants**

14:45

4A Standards, Sector & Legal Updates

Keeping due diligence with the latest standards and updates

Join this session to gain a high-level overview of some of the professional standards and practice information, that are essential for the Building Surveying profession such as;

- New Build Residential Inspections (aka snagging)
- Conservation of Historic Buildings and Assets

Along with updates on public consumer guides that can help you to inform, educate and advise your clients.

Sam Piplica MRICS, Senior Specialist, Building Standards, **RICS**

4B Building Safety & Energy Efficiency

Modern challenges and traditional buildings: retrofit, condensation and mould

14:50

Join leading author and building conservation expert Dr. Moses Jenkins, as he discusses challenges around retrofit, condensation and mould in the context of traditionally constructed buildings. With the cost of energy rising, it's essential to explore how traditional buildings can meet ambitious energy efficiency targets whilst avoiding condensation related defects.

Dr. Moses Jenkins, Senior Technical Officer, **Historic Scotland**

4C Surveying Practice & Innovation

Discovering unintended consequences when restoring and refurbishing a world heritage site.

This session will present key learnings from the Palace of Westminster refurbishment project, and how working on a heritage building, which has evolved over time, to meet the needs of governments, has led to a range of unintended consequences. It raises pivotal questions such as, how do you turn this listed building into something that's fit for purpose, for a 21st century parliament? How do you ensure it is more energy efficient, sustainable, accessible for all, and ultimately safe for all.

Andrew Piper, Technical Director, **Palace of Westminster Restoration and Renewal Programme**

Simon Douch, Head of Architecture, **Palace of Westminster Restoration and Renewal Programme**

15:35

Refreshment break & networking

Executive Panel Discussion

Exploring Innovative Sustainability Strategies; including Adaptive Transformation

16:05

Explore cutting-edge innovative thinking on how to design, build and adapt existing buildings. Reflect on what has been discussed during the conference and engage in discussing effective strategies to achieve sustainability and net-zero goals.

Enlai Hooi, Head of Innovation, **Schmidt Hammer Lassen Architects**

Dr Samantha Organ MRICS, Senior Buildings Asset Manager (Sustainability), **The National Trust**

Julie Townsend, Vice President - ESG Lead for Europe and Asia Pacific, **PGIM Real Estate**

16:55

Closing remarks by the conference chair

17:00

End of Conference

Delivering confidence

We are RICS. Everything we do is designed to effect positive change in the built and natural environments. Through our respected global standards, leading professional progression and our trusted data and insight, we promote and enforce the highest professional standards in the development and management of land, real estate, construction and infrastructure. Our work with others provides a foundation for confident markets, pioneers better places to live and work and is a force for positive social impact.

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