

Trowers & Hamlins' third annual mini-conference on building safety




Event Guide – November 2022



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Agenda

Day one – Monday 21 November 10.00-12.00

Topic	Speaker
Competency Frameworks: Transforming the construction sector	Richard Harral Chartered Association of Building Engineers
How can you procure for safety?	Rebecca Rees Trowers & Hamlins Shane Hughes Savills
Constructing the Golden Thread: navigating the Building Control Process for Higher-Risk Buildings	John Forde Trowers & Hamlins Paul McSoley Mace
The Accountable Person and in-occupation liabilities	Amanda Stubbs Trowers & Hamlins Matthew Lewis Clarion Housing Group

Day two – Tuesday 22 November 10.00-12.00

Topic	Speaker
Progress in securing Building Safety	Dame Judith Hackitt
Who pays? Service Charge Recovery and Remediation Orders	Doug Rhodes Trowers & Hamlins
Development Liability and Building Liability Orders	Assad Maqbool Trowers & Hamlins
The Remediation Standard	Olivia Jenkins Trowers & Hamlins

Speakers



Dame Judith Hackitt

Dame Judith Hackitt is a chemical engineer by training and spent her early career working in the chemicals industry – both in manufacturing and also as an advocate for the industry at national and international level. She is a former President of the Institution of Chemical Engineers and a Fellow and Trustee of the Royal Academy of Engineering. Throughout her career she has championed the importance of Engineering in delivering solutions which provide benefit to society and has been a role model particularly for young women wanting to enter the profession. Her current non-Exec roles are based around her continued passion for Manufacturing and Engineering. She is Chair of Enginuity, Senior Independent Non-Exec at the High Value Manufacturing Catapult and a Board member of HS2.

She cares deeply about safety in the workplace and more broadly. From 2007 to 2016 she was Chair of the Health and Safety Executive and in 2017 conducted an Independent Review for UK Government into Building Regulations and Fire Safety in the wake of the Grenfell Tower disaster. Since publishing her final report in 2018 she has continued to press for regulatory change and for industry culture change and her recommendations for radical reform of the regulatory system recently received Royal Assent in the Building Safety Act 2022.



Richard Harral FCABE

Technical Director, Chartered Association of Building Engineers

Richard Harral trained as an architect. He is a Chartered Building Engineer and is currently the Technical Director for the Chartered Association of Building Engineers (CABE) a professional membership organisation for construction professionals utilising engineering techniques to design, assess or operate buildings. He has experience of public and private sector practice. He has extensive experience in construction and building regulation policy and worked for 10 years within the Building Regulations Division of DCLG (now MHCLG) as a policy lead and then Head of Technical Policy.

Richard has been directly involved in developing the new framework for building safety competence as a member of the Competence Steering Group (CSG) and working groups looking at competence for Engineers, Designers and Architects and Building Control Professionals. He was technical author of BSI Flex 8670 which sets out core criteria for behavioural and technical competence for building safety in the built environment. He has recently been appointed as chair of CPB-1, the British Standard committee on competence standards for the Build Environment.



Shane Hughes
Director, Savills

Shane is a consultant director in Savills' Housing Consultancy team specialising in providing procurement, asset management and investment advice to the social housing sector. He has over 25 years experience working with Registered Providers, Local Authorities and housing companies throughout the UK in developing their long term investment plans commissioning collaborative contracts for large scale building safety and refurbishment programmes, responsive repair services; and providing strategic asset management advice.

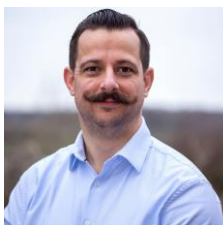
Shane is an accredited Partnering Adviser and Chair of the Alliancing Steering Group, regularly participating at national conferences on the benefits of alliancing and collaboration in construction contracts.



Paul McSolely
Chartered Engineer, Mace

Paul is a chartered engineer and has worked within construction for over 25 years from an Apprentice, Specialist Systems Project Manager, MEP Project Leader, Technical MEP Leader, and a Design Leader for all disciplines on major projects and more recently in a technical compliance role within a major UK construction business.

He has been an active participant within the industry linking together the fire compliance problems of walls, structure, dampers, fire rated duct work etc into a system approach. He has also been part of various technical committees for several years and has a drive and passion to support the wider industry through steering committees, technical leadership, and knowledge shares. He is an advocate of passing on his expertise and experience on matters such as public health, water systems, fire testing standards & systems compliance, energy & carbon, contracts, construction procurement & delivery, commissioning, handover and is always happy to help.



Matthew Lewis
Head of Building Safety, Technical Inspections & Delivery, Clarion Housing Group

Matthew is a Chartered Construction Manager with over 20 years of experience within the construction, asset management and surveying industries.

As Head of Building Safety at Clarion Housing Group he has developed the company's approach to external wall systems including the intrusive investigations and subsequent remediation. He also leads on Clarion's approach to the Golden Thread, where the Twins project looks to digitise their existing HRBs to better meet the requirements of the Building Safety Act.



Rebecca Rees

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Rebecca is a partner and Head of Public Procurement. She also leads the cross-firm Building a Safer Future team at Trowers & Hamlins. Rebecca is a leading national expert in public procurement law, consistently ranked as among the world's leading government contracts lawyers (Who's Who Legal and Chambers and Partners).

Rebecca has significant experience in advising clients in the public, private and third sectors on public procurement, subsidy control and building safety strategy issues. She advises clients on procurement strategy and structures, how to conduct flexible and compliant procurement procedures and compile objective and transparent evaluation models and guidance.

With particular interests in value-led procurement, social value and building safety, Rebecca is a member of the Working Group 11 for Procurement Competency, part of the Competency Steering Group (CSG), set up by the Industry Response Group (IRG) to tackle competency failings identified in the Hackitt Review, Building a Safer Future and sits on DLUHC's Procurement Advisory Group. Rebecca also represents Trowers & Hamlins on the Social Value in Housing Taskforce, led by HACT, which focuses on the further development of robust measurement and management of social value outcomes.



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Amanda has over 30 years' experience in the real estate sector and has in-depth expertise relating to land regeneration, management of brownfield risks and environmental insurance know-how.

She has devised a range of innovative environmental risk management and apportionment mechanisms for both public and private sector clients in the context of major redevelopment projects, and regularly advises on managing waste, dealing with asbestos, protected species and water pollution issues. She also helps clients to procure more sustainably and to upgrade their real estate in terms of health, safety and environmental compliance.

In addition, Amanda has considerable regulatory law experience, and advises on compliance issues, how to deal with statutory notices, interviews under caution, regulatory investigations and the threat of prosecution. She regularly advises landlords on their H&S procedures and policies; management of risk through identification and appointment of competent duty holders in the context of asbestos and legionella management; and with crisis management following incidents with significant organisational implications such as criminal prosecution risk, reputational damage and public relations issues.



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Doug acts for clients across the public and private sectors, including residential and commercial property developers and property companies, housing associations, public authorities, title indemnity insurers, institutional pension funds, private individuals, entrepreneurs and occupiers of commercial and residential property.

He specialises in development disputes (e.g restrictive covenants, adverse possession, rights of way, party wall issues), rights of light, service charges and leasehold management, contentious trusts, land transaction disputes and commercial and residential landlord and tenant.



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Assad advises commercial clients and public sector bodies on construction and projects.

He negotiates and drafts development agreements, building and engineering contracts and professional appointments. He has particular experience of advising on alliancing partnering and framework agreements. He advises on all aspects of education sector projects and also specialises in advising on large-scale social housing refurbishment schemes. Assad also specialises in advising on the integration of technology into construction projects.



John Forde
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John specialises in advising commercial clients and local government bodies on non-contentious construction law.

He negotiates and drafts building and engineering contracts and professional appointments. He has particular experience in advising on the use of the PPC2000 and TPC2005 partnering contract forms. John has experience in advising social landlords and private sector contractors on innovative contractual strategies such as joint venture and subsidiary models, use of open-book pricing and incentives, and engagement with the supply chain.



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Olivia's experience in litigation includes acting for clients in complex multi-party disputes across several practice sectors. She has a notable interest in disputes arising from fire safety risks and the design and construction of defective external cladding systems / facades in high rise developments, which rest upon compliance with applicable statutory instruments. Olivia is accordingly well versed in the evolving functional requirements of the Building Regulations, the Building (Amendment) Regulations, Approved Document B, BR135 performance criteria and BS 8414 testing, as well as obligations in respect of fire safety arising under the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order.

The cladding specific matters that Olivia has advised on have all been highly complex, multi-million pound disputes.

For more information on the Building Safety Act 2022, download our [Building Safety Act essential guide](#).