

**CITY OF LONDON LAW SOCIETY – CONSTRUCTION LAW COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
Wednesday 9 July 2025**

Attendees and Apologies/non-attendees

See Agenda for 9.7.25 meeting with rolling attendee list.

Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the 26 March 2025 meeting were approved.

Update on CLLS activities

K Hart updated the Committee on the CLLS and confirmed that it was now a corporate company limited by guarantee and is now operating using a board rather than a main committee. The CLLS is continuing to grow and has 69 member firms and approximately 30,000 members.

Insurance market update

L Mercer was unable to attend so the next insurance market update will be in September.

Associate Committee

Feedback on the main contractor insolvency seminar is being obtained and further activities are in the pipeline following discussions as the last meeting of the Associates Committee on 2 April.

Membership

The Committee held the vote confirming its support for Francis Ho to take over as the Chair and Richard Ceeney to be the Vice-Chair. Both votes were unanimous with no abstentions and no votes against. These appointments will now be ratified by the CLLS. There are still openings for industry representatives.

The Committee and the CLLS thanks Matthew Jones for all his hard work as Chair.

Other Current Committee activities

- (a) Novation Agreement and guidance: The Agreement and the guidance have been merged and the work stream is progressing.
- (b) TPR's and CIGA: This is ongoing.
- (c) Energy/ESG: It was reported that energy projects are still going strong with an uptake in battery and energy storage projects, steady investment in offshore wind and developments in hydro and pump storage. There have been some high-profile cancellations with the most recent being the failure of the X-Links project to be awarded a CfD in the UK. The Committee is considering a work stream on construction observations in energy projects.
- (d) Approaches to insolvency recovery strategies: The Committee continues to consider whether a paper should be developed on the different approaches to recovery strategies in insolvency scenarios.

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Committee meeting dates for 2025 (to follow as at the meeting) are now:

- 24 September 2025

Date of next meeting – 24 September 2025