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Members Information

All of The Academy's information is available for Members from the Member Resources page of the website.

This includes:

- ☐ Guidance
- ☐ Publications
- ☐ Reports
- ☐ Model Terms of Engagement

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From the Chairman



Lockdown eases

Some easing of lockdown and the introduction of other local restrictions force us to continually reassess and adapt to more complex circumstances as we move through the current pandemic. Adaptation and resilience are hallmarks of success for The Academy as we maintain focus on serving the needs of members during a trying and uncertain period for us all.

New website

Since my last note, The Academy has launched our new website which has been well received by both members and external users. I am very grateful to everyone that put in so much hard work to make this possible.

Anecdotally, the number of disputes in commercial contracts is expected to increase markedly as businesses look to restart whilst accommodating restrictions on operations and the marked effect that will have on performance.

I encourage you to update your profile on

the website, as you think appropriate, or consider listing under ExpertSearch™, as potential appointers of experts, mediators and expert determiners often look to the registers for information; we have improved the searchability of those listings to help you showcase your capability and experience.

Member Meetings

We have had excellent speakers address us at our virtual members meetings, including:

- ☐ Jeremy Nicholson QC on 'Experts' Meetings – The Art of the Possible';
- ☐ Professor Dominic Regan on 'Wasted Cost Orders'. I even managed to find the button that allowed you to ask questions directly-the art of the possible. I did appear before you as a shadow of my former self.

After 17 weeks of developing my 'lockdown look', I was dragged into a barber shop the week before Dominic's presentation, introduced to the barber

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From the Chairman cont...

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The Chairman gets a trim...

shorn like a sheep. I am assured it was not wasted cost; and

- Bernard Savage on 'How to do Business Development from home', a must for everyone in these times.

My thanks to the speakers and to you for engaging in the virtual members meetings - it has allowed us to maintain a varied programme and to

engage with members from all over the world.

For my part, I have missed the opportunity of meeting members in person as a result the unusual circumstances prevailing but sincerely hope that we do have that opportunity to meet over the coming year.

Construction Conference

On 10th September, King's College London, Centre of Construction Law and Dispute Resolution, Conference in collaboration with The Academy, invite you to attend their online conference. Professor John Uff CBE QC, Vice President of The Academy of Experts was founding director of the Centre and the keynote address will be provided by Dame Finola O'Farrell DBE QC, Judge in Charge of the TCC and member of the Academy's Judicial Committee.

The conference is entirely online and free for members to attend. Please do look at the schedule, I am sure you will find that the content holds a wider appeal than simply for those involved in construction.

Details can be found on the TAE website.

Training Courses & CPD

The Academy continues to offer its full suite of courses online; please visit the new website for full details of these.

Thank you for your support of The Academy and stay safe.

Derek Nelson QDR FAE
Chairman
August 2020

TAE COVID RESPONSE - REMINDER

The Academy's office continues to be run virtually with all services maintained as normal where possible.

The TAE Helpline for members is operating as normal. If you do need to contact us then wherever possible please email us first and we will come back to you as soon as we can.

Training & Meetings

The lockdown has meant that we are not currently able to run our regular meetings face to face. However we are not letting that stop us from holding regular member meetings.

Our training courses are now taking place online and a number of 'Member Meetings' have already taken place with more planned for the next couple of months.

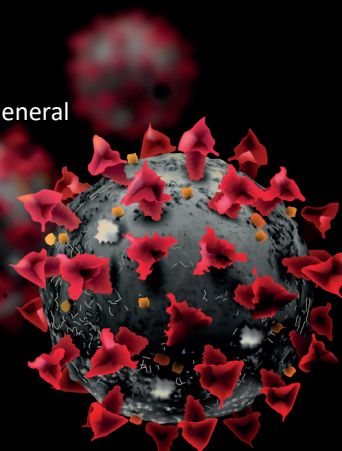
Court Guidance

A number of courts have now issued guidance on how they are proceeding. The list below is not exhaustive and will be updated as soon as we receive new information.

Latest Guidances include:

- Civil & Family Proceedings - General
- Family Courts
- Criminal Courts
- Business & Property Courts
- Northern Ireland Courts
- Scottish Courts

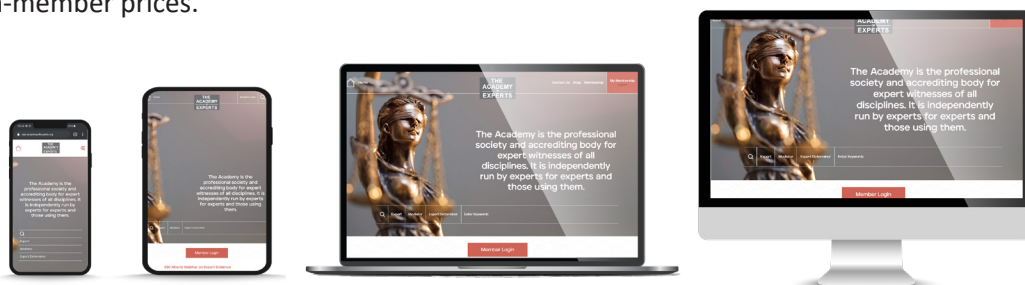
Links to all of the guidance above can be found in the member area of the TAE website.



TAE Website

The new website is now up and running and many members have taken the opportunity to bring their records up to date.

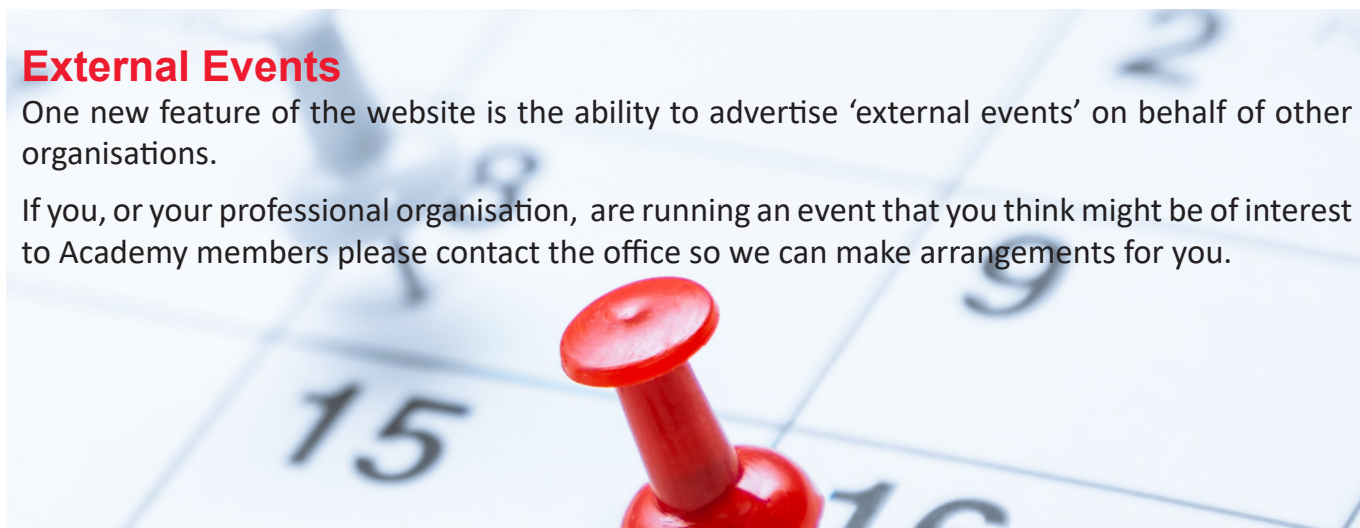
If you have not yet done so please take a moment to go online and sign into the website. In order to access member resources and book events at member rates you will need to be signed in otherwise you may not see the content or might be charged at non-member prices.



External Events

One new feature of the website is the ability to advertise 'external events' on behalf of other organisations.

If you, or your professional organisation, are running an event that you think might be of interest to Academy members please contact the office so we can make arrangements for you.

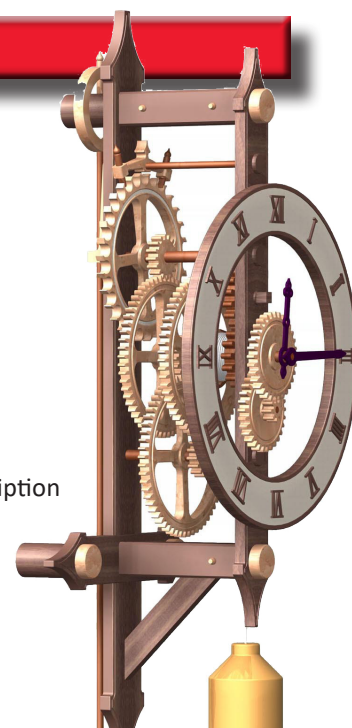


Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held on 14th October 2020 at 2.00pm. It is currently anticipated that the meeting will take place online.

Agenda

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| 1 Apologies for absence | 7 Election of Officers |
| 2 To approve the minutes of the AGM held on 10th October 2019 (see 'update' Volume 27 Issue 3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Chairman |
| 3 Matters arising | <input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Chairman |
| 4 Chairman's Report | <input type="checkbox"/> Vice Chairmen |
| 5 Treasurer's Report including adoption of accounts for the year ending February 2020 | <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary |
| 6 To appoint the Auditors for the year 2020-2021 | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer |
| | 8 Election of Council Members |
| | 9 To approve 2021-2022 subscription levels |
| | 10 Any other business |



DIARY, NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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New Master of the Rolls

Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Vos will succeed Sir Terence Etherton as the Master of the Rolls on 11th January 2021.

The Master of the Rolls is the second most senior judge in England and Wales after the Lord Chief Justice. As President of the Court of Appeal's Civil Division the Master of the Rolls is responsible for the deployment and organisation of the work of the judges of the division as well as presiding in its courts, often hearing the most complex cases across the full range of civil, family and tribunal matters.



Internet Register Renewals

Invoices for TAE's ExpertSearch™ online register were sent to members last month. To ensure you are getting the most benefit from your subscription please do take a minute to check all your details are up to date.

Update to Statement of Truth

A reminder to all members writing CPR compliant reports:

The following should be added to the end of the Statement of Truth for any reports being signed on or after 1st October 2020.

I understand that proceedings for contempt of court may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief in its truth.

Pilot Scheme Extensions

It was recently announced in the 122 update to the CPR that two court pilots have received extensions:

- ☐ Disclosure Pilot for the Business and Property Courts - is extended for a further year.
- ☐ Video Hearings Pilot Scheme is extended for a further four months to 31 March 2021.

Member Meetings Online

Our next two member meetings are as follows:

Mediation - the future?

Sir David Foskett - Chairman, Civil Mediation Council
9th September - 4.30pm BST

Some practical ways in which an expert can help a Court Joint Meeting with CIARB East Anglia Branch

Lord Justice Dingemans
14th October - 5.30pm BST

Meetings take place online using Zoom - times shown are British Summer Time (GMT+1). They are usually recorded and posted online after the event - you can find them in the member dashboard.

New President of Urban Land Institute Asia Pacific

Academy Member, David Faulkner MAE, has recently taken over as the new president of ULI Asia Pacific.

David, formerly managing director, valuation & advisory services at Colliers International in Hong Kong, joins the Urban Land Institute with immediate effect. We send our congratulations to David on his new appointment.

August

Monday - Tuesday	24-25	➤ Role & Responsibilities of the Expert Hong Kong
Wednesday - Thursday	26-27	➤ The Expert's Report - Hong Kong
Monday	31	Bank Holiday

September

Wednesday	9	➤ Member Meeting
Tuesday - Friday	15-18	➤ Foundation Course
Wednesday	23	➤ National Mediation Awards
Friday	25	➤ Into Court

October

Thursday - Friday	1-2	➤ Expert Determination
Wednesday	14	➤ Annual General Meeting
Wednesday	14	➤ Joint Member Meeting - CIARB East Anglia
Thursday - Friday	15-16	➤ Foundation Course
Tuesday - Wednesday	21-22	➤ Law & Procedure
Thursday	22	➤ Into Court

November

Wednesday	4	➤ TAE Council
Wednesday	4	➤ President's Dinner - London TBC
Monday	9	➤ ICAEW Forensic Conference

December

Friday	25	Christmas Day
Saturday	26	Boxing Day
Monday	28	Boxing Day Bank Holiday
Thursday	31	New Years Eve

2021

January

Friday	29	➤ Chairman's Lunch - London
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Unless otherwise shown all courses/meetings will be held online until further notice.

Some training courses are held as half day sessions - full details online.

TAE dates are published in the **Events Calendar** - www.academyofexperts.org

Key to events:

- Academy Courses
- Academy Events & Meetings
- External/Joint/Supported Events