# Chief Executive's Annual Review

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**Chief Executive** 

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023



# Agenda

- STA Purpose
- CTI Policy Advocacy
- Timber In Construction Working Group
- Fire Safety Hub
- Skills
- Other Priorities



The STA purpose is:

To protect and grow the structural timber market share

# Strategic pillars (aligned to Government's Timber in Construction Group)

# ProtectInsuranceBuilding Safety

Grow	
•	Timber Supply
•	Timber Demand
•	Carbon
•	Skills

# **Board responsibilities**

#### **Building Safety**

- Mark Stevenson
- Gordon Megahy

#### Insurance

- Dominic Lion
- Nic Clark

#### **Timber Demand**

Alex Goodfellow

# **Board responsibilities**

#### Carbon

Susanne Rudenstam

#### Skills

- Richard Baldwin
- Nic Clark

## Timber Supply

- Lawrence Young
- Brian Skilton

# Strategic pillars

#### **Strategic Partners**

- TDUK
- Confor

# Collaborative Partners Build UK CPA CIC CLC RIBA RICS IStructE HBF NHF NHBC CITB

HSE

BPF/IPF

## Political advocacy



Within the CTI, we are talking about **the issues that matter**, from global trade, climate change and building safety, to **the politicians who matter**.



# Policy



#### **ENGAGE**

Timber in Construction WG

**APPG Timber Industries** 

Events and White Papers

#### **INFLUENCE**

**National Government** 

Local Government

Opposition MPs

#### CHANGE

Carbon in Construction

Low-Carbon Procurement

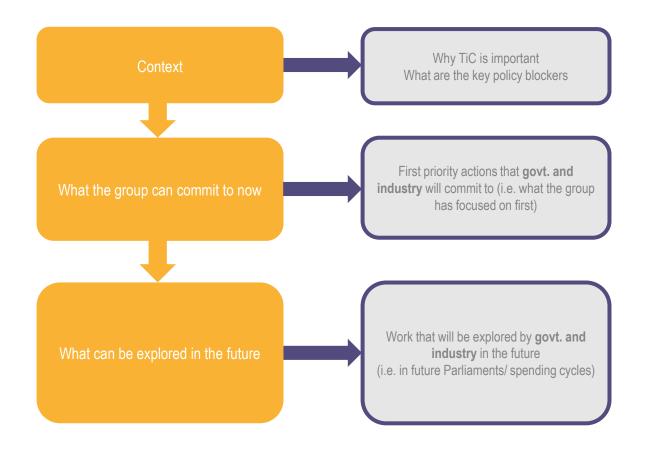
**Building Regulations** 



#### CTI Plans for 2023

- Future Build Luncheon March
- Afternoon Tea June
- Building Magazine Round Table September
- UKCW Exhibition/Conference October
- Labour Party Conference October
- Palace of Westminster Luncheon November
- G15 Luncheon TBC

# **Structure for the TiC Roadmap (due late summer 2023)**



## What Government would like to discuss with industry/ stakeholders:

#### **Timber Supply**

How could increases of timber in construction be met by our timber supply – i.e. in a low/med/high increase scenario how much more supply would that involve and how much could realistically be met by British timber and by when?

What is the realistic potential of the hardwood market in the short term and long term? We would like more information on this

#### **Timber & Embodied Carbon**

How can industry help us better understand the timber-specific questions around the implementation of Whole Life Carbon (WLC)?

What actions can industry take to make the most of current mainstream WLC methodologies, including improving accessibility of carbon data (EPDs) for timber products, recycling and re-use, low-embodied carbon exemplars, and so on?

For the future, we are exploring embodied carbon maximum benchmarks. To achieve this we need high-quality WLC building-level data to know what good looks like and that industry can meet these targets.

# What Government would like to discuss with industry/ stakeholders:

#### **Building Safety & Design**

Can Industry develop a comprehensive list of the outstanding research questions and evidence gaps and agree a priority for research to be undertaken, feasibility for industry to deliver this and in what timescale?

We know there is good work already happening in the sector looking at the evidence gaps around timber fire safety and how they could be addressed (e.g. recent TAH report), the working group would welcome future discussions on your work and understand how it could best feed in to support this work.

#### **Timber Demand**

How can we build on existing good practice to improve the "profile" of timber as a potential construction material?

What international comparisons can we look to better understand lessons learnt for England?

What are the real/perceived cost barriers to using timber?

# What Government would like to discuss with industry/ stakeholders:

#### Lenders, insurers, and warranty providers and MMC

What actions could industry groups take to pool the market and safety data currently held by each individual manufacturer in a consistent manner?

What actions could Industry take to increase transparency about what is included in their current policies on timber and clarity on the data and information required which would help de-risk their portfolio regarding the use of timber?

What examples of best practice case studies could be shared on how the insurance sector works with clients to deliver sustainability investment requirements?

#### **Competency & Skills**

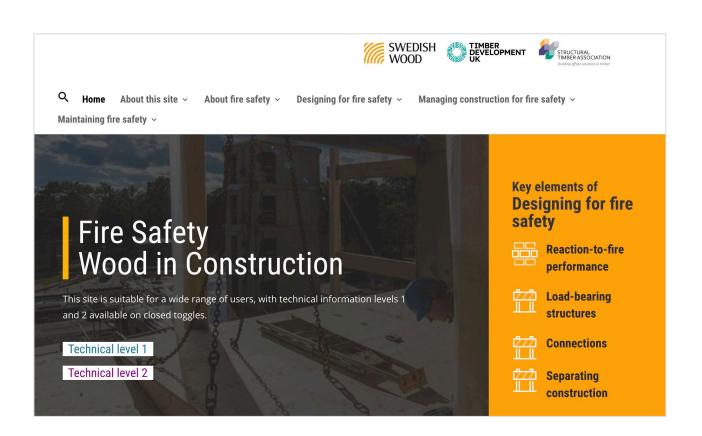
In the response to our previous commission we received lots of case studies and examples from stakeholders on how competency and skills challenges are being addressed (e.g. new timber technology engineering and design framework created by NMITE and ENU). What can industry do to co-ordinate and increase sharing of best practice?

Government needs more data and information on the scale of the skills gap before we can assess what role we could play in supporting. What data can industry provide summarising skills gaps/shortages and training routes in construction & design?

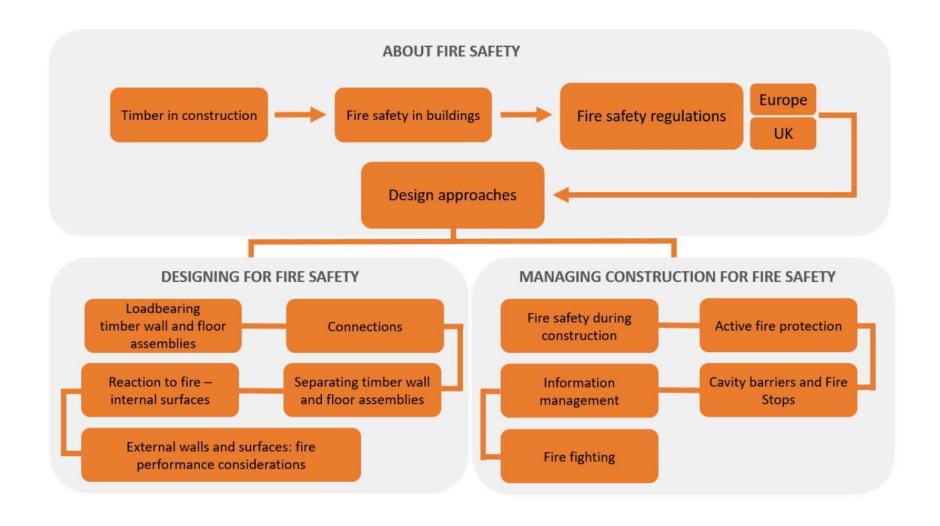
#### Fire

#### The Aim

- A robust, comprehensive, credible, easy-to-use, and independently verified portal for timber and fire safety
- Applicable primarily to the UK but also in appropriate areas across Europe.



# www.timberfiresafety.org



#### Skills

#### **TDUK University Challenge**

Now in it's third year.

More than 60 Universities engaged, with 500+ students competing in the challenges.

Hundreds of built environment professionals have contributed their time teaching.



#### NMITE Timber Engineering & Design Courses

Sustainable built environment and timber as a material are core elements in the content of this course.

The course is taught in three modules, with design being the overarching theme throughout the full 12 weeks, and 6 weeks each looking at materials and sustainability.



### Other priorities for 2023

- RIBA/IStructE educational resource
- RICS Carbon Calculator consultation
- TDUK MOU inc. roll out of Carbon Roadmap/EPDs
- Updated Swedish Wood Campus CPD collateral + other yet to be agreed projects
- Acknowledgement of STA Assure (following December 2022 Conference)
- Succession Plan
- Member Luncheons
  - Birmingham Cardiff Watford Leeds Edinburgh