

# THE VOICE OF THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

MEMBERSHIP

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**BUILDUK**  
Leading the Construction Industry

## MEMBERSHIP

**Build UK does more than represent the UK construction industry;** we work with our members, partners and stakeholders to drive change that strengthens the sector.

As the industry's champion promoting the value of construction and providing influential and dynamic leadership, Build UK is transforming the delivery of construction projects for the benefit of the industry, its clients and the UK economy.



*“Better infrastructure has a vital role to play in delivery of all of the Government’s missions, creating and connecting people to good jobs, supporting new housing and neighbourhoods, ensuring people can depend on vital public services and providing resilience in response to a changing world. ”*

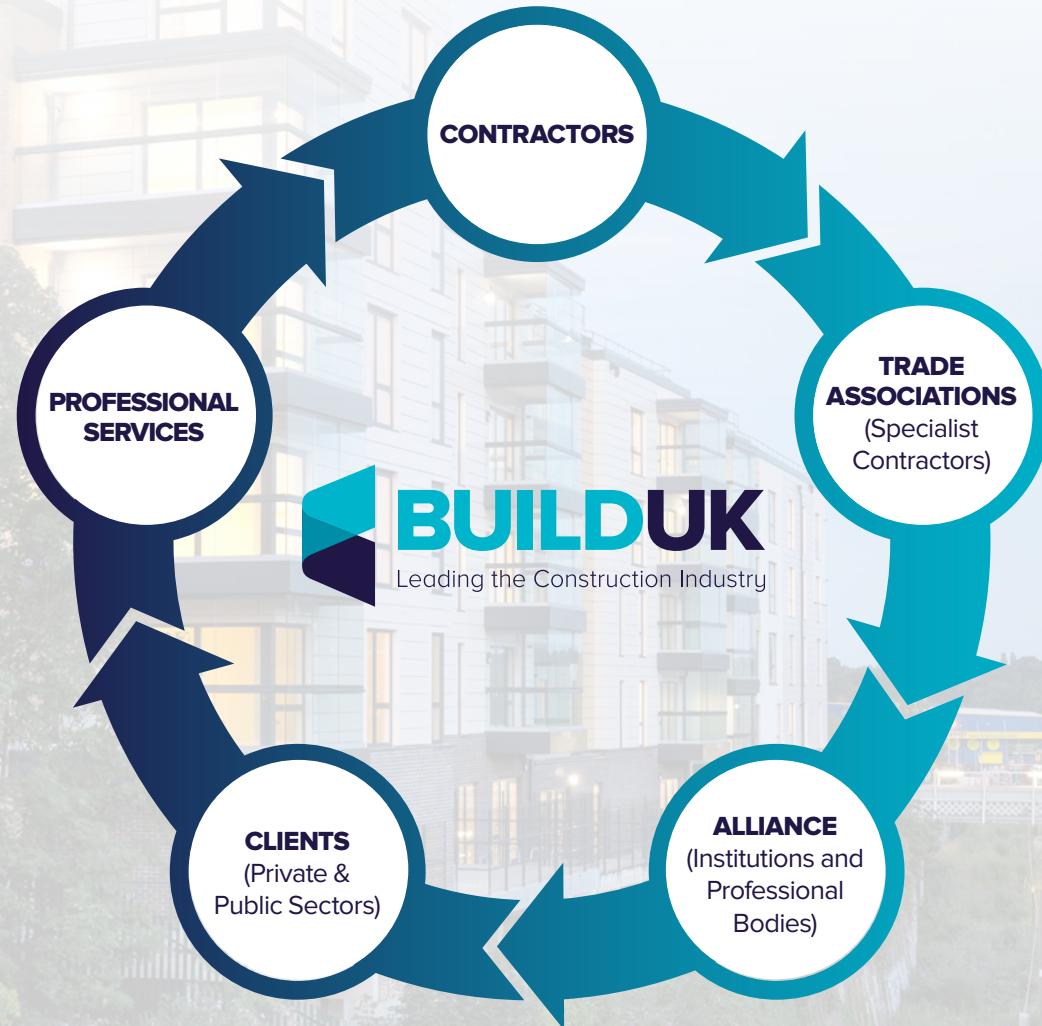
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# WHO WE ARE

Build UK brings together organisations from across the construction sector, representing more than 40% of the industry.

Our members include Clients, in both the private and public sectors; Contractors; Trade Associations representing a wide range of Specialist Contractors; Professional Services; and other organisations committed to industry collaboration.



# HOW WE WORK

We bring together the right people, with the right skills and knowledge, to deliver change on key industry issues by developing and implementing practical solutions that work for everyone.

## BOARD

Made up of Directors nominated by our Contractor and Trade Association members.

## FORUMS

Bring together our different categories of members, either individually or collectively, to consider and endorse Build UK policies and projects and share information.

## STEERING GROUPS

Established for each of our key projects with agreed Terms of Reference.

## TASK GROUPS

Set up to work through specific issues, reporting into the relevant Steering Group.

### MEMBER BRIEFINGS

Share information on an issue or project with all our members.

### DELIVERY GROUPS

Support those projects which require key initiatives to be delivered by our member organisations, such as Open Doors.

### ROUNDTABLES

Host a smaller group of members to discuss a particular topic or issue.

### MEMBER EVENTS

Bring together all our members for networking.

# OUR PRIORITIES



Improving  
Business  
Performance



Navigating the  
Building Safety  
Regime



Demonstrating  
Organisational  
Capability



Recruiting,  
Training &  
Retaining Talent

Find out more about our work on the [Build UK website](#).

DELIVERING  
**CHANGE**



**“**We have greatly valued the leadership Build UK is demonstrating on some of the more challenging and difficult industry issues like payment and pre-qualification. We think this marks a step-change on what has gone before. **”**

**Fergus Harradence, Deputy Director, Infrastructure & Construction, DBT**

# KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

## 1 IMPROVING PAYMENT PERFORMANCE

Driven by our [benchmarking of payment performance](#), Build UK tier one Contractor members now take an average of 29 days to pay invoices, down from 45 days when we first started publishing the data in 2018, and prompt payment requirements have been introduced for public sector contracts.

## 2 TRANSFORMING THE PRE-QUALIFICATION PROCESS

The Common Assessment Standard developed by Build UK is now specified for public sector contracts and used by more than 75% of Build UK's tier one Contractor members, enabling over 22,500 certified suppliers to demonstrate organisational capability while improving efficiency and reducing cost.

## 3 INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION

[Open Doors](#), delivered by Build UK every year, has taken thousands of potential new entrants behind the scenes of construction sites and workplaces across the UK, with almost 90% of visitors in 2025 saying they were more likely to consider a career in the industry after their visit.

## 4 FACILITATING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BUILDING SAFETY REGIME

Build UK has worked closely with the Government and the Building Safety Regulator to address key issues with the implementation of the new building safety regime since it came into effect in 2023, and our [guidance](#) has been used across the industry to help navigate the new requirements.

## 5 KEEPING CONSTRUCTION WORKING DURING THE PANDEMIC

The coordination, guidance and support we provided during the [COVID-19 pandemic](#) kept the construction industry open throughout every lockdown, with 99% of sites adopting the Site Operating Procedures developed by Build UK.

## 6 AGREEING A STANDARD FOR SAFETY HELMET COLOURS

Build UK's industry-recognised [standard](#) for the colours of safety helmets corresponding to site role has resulted in consistency across the whole supply chain and strengthened the role of supervisors on site.

## 7 MAKING FLEXIBLE WORKING ON SITE A REALITY

In partnership with Timewise, we piloted flexible working on site and published a [10-point action plan](#) that companies of all sizes can follow to introduce flexible working practices, improving employee work-life balance and well-being whilst maintaining programme delivery and budget.

## 8 DRIVING CHANGE IN CONTRACT TERMS

Our [recommendation on contract terms](#) has established a new normal for contractual practice in construction, promoting collaboration, fairer allocation of risk, and ultimately better project outcomes.

## 9 INTRODUCING A ROADMAP TO ZERO RETENTIONS

Build UK has led a cross-sector effort towards achieving the industry ambition of zero retentions by setting out a roadmap of actions, with our [Minimum Standards on Retentions](#) paving the way to reducing the use of retentions.

## 10 CHAMPIONING INDUSTRY CARD SCHEMES

Build UK led the development and implementation of the CLC recommendation on [Industry Card Schemes](#), which has been adopted across the industry since it was first published in 2015, resulting in CSCS cards using smart technology being required by construction workers on site.



## WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A MEMBER

- **COLLABORATE** across the supply chain by sharing knowledge, ideas, innovation and success
- **CONTRIBUTE** to the development of solutions to long-standing industry issues
- **DEMONSTRATE** leadership by adopting new ways of working and agreed best practice
- **DELIVER** a collective view to Government and other stakeholders

**“***Build UK provides a very effective forum for us to work with our peers, partners and Government to shift the dial on important issues such as payment performance and sustainability, which in turn benefits the entire construction supply chain.* **”**

**Jason Millett, Chief Executive,  
Mace Group**



# MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- **ONE VOICE** to help create a better business environment
- **INFLUENCE** the behaviour of clients and stakeholders
- **DIRECT INPUT** to Government departments, regulatory authorities and stakeholders including CLC, CITB and CSCS
- **ABILITY TO DRIVE CHANGE** across the whole sector
- **OPPORTUNITY** to develop joint solutions to industry issues
- **EARLY ENGAGEMENT** in projects which transform the industry
- **ACCESS** to industry data and information
- **PARTICIPATION** in Open Doors
- **EXCELLENT NETWORKING** opportunities
- **ADVICE AND GUIDANCE** on issues directly affecting construction, including building safety
- **BUSINESS SUPPORT** on employment, health and safety, and legal issues

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