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BUILT INSIGHTS



CHAIRMAN'S SAY

Golly gosh, it's been a busy summer so far and it doesn't look like slowing down any time soon.

The CSA continues to provide influence and expertise to the wider building services world. We have recently completed a project for BSRIA, updating one of their Building Guides. It is hoped this will be published within the next few weeks. We are also helping CIBSE with work on one of their commissioning codes (with another one in the pipeline when that is finished).

Also, just the other week we took part in a couple of sessions in the CIBSE 'Build to Perform' theatre at Installer Build in the NEC, one on the Building Safety Act and one on achieving building systems that work properly from day one.

Alongside these activities we continue to progress with our internal updates. Our new accounts arrangements are pretty well bedded down and integrating nicely with our new web platform, CSA Connect. It will enable us to streamline the preparation of our regular management financial reports. The web platform is also nearing the initial launch and will radically change and improve the way our members interact with the association. Currently our renowned DLCs, technical memoranda and guidance notes are being uploaded so look out for more announcements soon.

As our training schemes are so very busy, we are finding it harder than expected to find time to develop and present further material for specialist areas such as Data Centres and to expand the commissioning management material that is proving so popular. We are



therefore planning to recruit someone to bolster our resources. Do you have experience in that field and would like to help us? If so, please contact the CSA office in the first instance.

In among all of this effort, we recently had our first

CSA Chair's Celebration. This brought together invitees from such organisations as the NCEF, BSRIA and CIBSE, other associations like the BCIA and members from the various CSA committees. A very pleasant afternoon was spent cruising the Thames from Westminster down to Greenwich and back on a pretty little boat. As well as the frequent "I did that building" exclamations, the trip generated a lot of conversation between the different bodies represented and will hopefully result in much cross pollination of ideas and future interactions. Luckily for us, the event was blessed with great weather, along with good food and great company. Everyone we've subsequently heard from has been full of praise for the idea and we very much hope to carry on with it in future years.

Looking a little further ahead, arrangements for this year's CSA Awards are forging ahead. Entries have been open for a while now and, in fact, they close later this month. Judging takes place in August. As time is now running short, do please make sure that you have put your entry in, or will very shortly. We would hate you to miss out on the chance of winning an award.



Keith Barker – CSA Chairman



CTO UPDATE

CSA COLLABORATIONS

The CSA is collaborating with industry bodies including BSRIA (the Building Services Research and Intelligence Association), CIBSE (Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers), BESA (Building Engineering Services Association), and the Nuclear Commissioning Excellence Forum (NCEF) to tackle key industry challenges. Through these partnerships we are addressing key member topics including data centre commissioning, integrated systems testing (IST), and commissioning in the nuclear sector.

Recently Tony Anderson delivered a presentation on data centre commissioning at CIBSE Journal Live, highlighting that CIBSE SIG Data Centre Commissioning Group is developing a definitive standard for data centre commissioning.

More updates from all of our steering groups will appear in the winter edition, as we continue to build new relationships with other industry professionals

CSA EXAMINATIONS

The CSA now host & invigilate all examinations in house through Microsoft Teams and Socrative platforms

Since launching the new exam format we have:

- Reduced proctoring time from over 2 hours to under 15 minutes.
- Exam flexibility - Hosted 20+ exam sessions at varying dates and times
- International exams - Delivered 8 out-of-hours sessions to support international candidates
- Invigilated 100+ students
- Resolved 20 exam-related queries in real time

COMMISSIONING MANAGEMENT – STAGE 2 DISSERTATION

We're pleased to see more members pursuing the Commissioning Management Stage 2 dissertation a great sign for our industry. However, we have also seen an increase in rejections when submissions don't follow the **CSA CM Dissertation Stage guidance**. Members are encouraged to review and adhere to these guidelines to avoid rework and delays.

COMMISSIONING MANAGEMENT - CORE CONCEPTS COURSE

Our Core Concepts course continues to receive excellent feedback for both content and delivery. To register interest, or to arrange a dedicated course for your organisation, please contact: office@csa.org.uk with the subject line: Core Concepts Course enquiry.

For our latest CM Core Concepts courses availability please see the next page for the latest available set of course dates.

CSA TRAINING COMMITTEE – DLC TUTORS REQUIRED

Due to the continued success and uptake of DLCs, and as some DLC Tutors step down, we are seeking enthusiastic, active volunteers to support the CSA as DLC Tutors. If you are interested in helping, please email office@csa.org.uk with the subject line: DLC Tutor enquiry.



Tony Anderson – CSA CTO

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- ▶ Milestone tracking against target dates, per asset

Built Insights KEY CAPABILITIES

- ▶ Readiness rolled up across systems, spaces, and buildings
- ▶ Asset status pinned onto floor plans and one-line diagrams with Smart Markups

Schedule Tracking

Schedule is the plan. CxAlloy is what's been done.

Built Insights does not replace your schedule. It keeps your systems separate and maps the data between them. In CxAlloy, milestones and target dates sit on the assets, capturing actual progress as checklists and tests are completed. Your schedule holds the plan. Built Insights reads both and shows them side by side: planned versus actual, S-curves, and progress over time. Anything with an API can feed it, including CxAlloy, Procore, and P6 or Excel by import.

WHY IT MATTERS

Am I on track? If not, how far off? Answered in one view.

CxAlloy KEY CAPABILITIES

- ▶ Milestones and target dates at the asset and system level
- ▶ Actual progress captured as checklists and tests are completed

Built Insights KEY CAPABILITIES

- ▶ Schedule and CxAlloy data mapped side by side, planned versus actual
- ▶ S-curves and progress tracked over time
- ▶ Feeds from any API source, including Procore, P6, and Excel import





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CEO

CSA CONNECT NEARS LAUNCH AS WE CONTINUE TO INVEST IN OUR MEMBERS

As we move through an incredibly busy summer period at the CSA, I am pleased to report that a number of key initiatives are progressing well, with one project in particular now entering its final stages before launch.

CSA CONNECT – THE COUNTDOWN BEGINS

Over the past few months, we have continued development and testing of CSA Connect, our new digital platform designed to transform how members access training, technical resources, membership services and professional development opportunities.

We are now undertaking beta testing with members of the CSA Technical Committee, and the feedback received so far has been extremely encouraging:

“I have finished reviewing the CC1 Air Systems material on CSA Connect, and everything looks excellent. The inputs are comprehensive and accurate.”

“I’m very impressed with the CSA Connect platform itself. The design is excellent, and



having everything accessible in one place makes it very user-friendly. The ability to toggle between the tutor and member interfaces is a great feature as well.”

Whilst there is still work to complete ahead of launch, the platform is performing extremely well and we remain on track for a planned go-live in September 2026.

CSA Connect represents far more than a new app. It is the future home of CSA membership, technical content, training programmes, digital certificates, membership cards, assessments



NEIL BURDESS
CEO

and much more. I genuinely believe it will transform the way our members engage with the Association and access the resources they need to support their professional development.

AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN THE CSA TEAM

As the Association continues to grow, we are also recruiting for a new CSA Technical Trainer. This is a fantastic opportunity for a passionate commissioning professional who has progressed through the CSA grading structure and wants to help shape the next generation of commissioning engineers, water treatment specialists and commissioning managers.

Working within our talented and forward-thinking team, the successful candidate will be involved in:

- Delivering classroom, online and practical training programmes
- Supporting and developing Distance Learning Courses (DLCs)
- Creating new technical training materials and resources
- Working alongside the CSA Technical and Training Committees



- Supporting the ongoing development of CSA Connect and future learning initiatives

The role offers a flexible hybrid working arrangement and the opportunity to play a key part in delivering the CSA's long-term vision for training, competence and industry standards.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact office@csa.org.uk to request a copy of the full job description.



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**Go Live – Sept
2026**



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COMMISSIONING MANAGEMENT FOR PROJECT TEAMS

I am also delighted to report that we have successfully delivered two live in person sessions of our new "Commissioning Management for Project Teams" programme for Turner & Townsend.

This 6-hour CPD UK approved course has been specifically developed for project managers, client teams and wider project stakeholders, helping them understand the importance of commissioning management and its critical role in delivering successful projects.

Feedback from both sessions has been extremely positive and reinforces our belief that there is a real need for commissioning knowledge within project teams.

As a result, we intend to open a limited number of spaces later in Q4 2026, allowing a wider range of organisations to benefit from the programme.

INVESTING IN YOUR TEAM'S FUTURE

One area I would encourage all Corporate Members to review is the membership status and training pathway of their teams.

With the launch of CSA Connect approaching, it has never been more important to ensure that your commissioning personnel are enrolled as CSA members and progressing through the appropriate training and grading pathway.

Not only does membership demonstrate a commitment to professional development and competence, but it will also provide employees with direct access to CSA Connect, including:

- Technical resources and publications
- Distance Learning Courses
- Digital certification and membership cards
- Training records and progression tracking
- Future online assessments and course Bookings

Ensuring your teams are correctly registered today will allow them to fully benefit from the expanded services being introduced over the coming months.

BOOK YOUR CSA AWARDS TABLES NOW

Finally, preparations are well underway for the CSA Awards 2026, and it is already shaping up to be our biggest and best Awards evening yet.

The Awards continue to celebrate the outstanding achievements of individuals, projects and organisations across the commissioning industry, whilst providing an excellent opportunity to network with clients, colleagues and industry leaders.

Table bookings are already proving popular, so I would encourage anyone considering attending to secure their place as early as possible. For further information, awards entries and table bookings, visit the CSA Awards website.

There is a tremendous amount happening across the Association as we continue to invest in technology, training, competence and member services. I would like to thank all members, volunteers, committees, corporate organisations and the CSA technical team for their ongoing support.

The next few months will be particularly exciting as we launch CSA Connect and continue building the future of the Association together.

Neil Burdess – Chief Executive Officer, Commissioning Specialists Association (CSA)



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Gala Awards
2026

Ensure you join the celebration - book your places today!

The CSA Awards Gala Dinner has become the highlight of the commissioning sector's social calendar, celebrating the industry's best and brightest while offering outstanding networking opportunities and first-class entertainment.

This year's event will take place on Thursday 8th October at the stunning Park Plaza London Riverbank, where we will once again recognise engineering excellence from across the commissioning industry.

Building on the success of previous years, the 2026 Awards Dinner will be hosted by Pete Firman, widely regarded as the UK's leading comedy magician. Combining razor-sharp wit with astonishing sleight of hand, Pete will not only provide the after-dinner entertainment but will also help present the awards, ensuring an unforgettable evening. Live musical entertainment will then keep the celebrations going into the early hours.

Whether you're hosting clients with a full table or booking a few places for colleagues, team members and industry associates, the CSA Awards Dinner offers the perfect opportunity to enjoy exceptional food, outstanding live entertainment and valuable networking with peers from across the sector.

Don't miss this must-attend event. Visit www.csa-awards.co.uk and complete the simple online booking form to secure your places today.

When & Where

Park Plaza Riverbank Hotel
Thursday 8th October 2026



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CSA OFFICE NEWS

What a busy time it has been in the CSA of late ! We are currently recruiting for a new technical Trainer to join our team, accounts packages have moved to Xero and the members web app CSA Connect is nearly ready for launch!

You should have received an email from me asking you to check that the details we hold on file are correct, please ensure you respond to this email as we are trying make sure the transition over to the app is as smooth as possible for you. If you have any queries at all you know where I am just give me a call I am always happy to talk you through anything.

We were out and about in June with a selection of industry specialists and members and enjoyed a networking session on the Thames for the Chair's celebration. Thank you all for coming it was a great afternoon with wonderful views, the weather was glorious and I think it was an excellent afternoon for everyone to come together and discuss our industry.

Our next event of course is the Gala Awards ! My favourite night of the year. This event was a sell out last year so please ensure your book your tickets early to avoid disappointment on:
<https://www.csa-awards.co.uk/book-tickets>



DLC A (COMMISSIONING)

TOMASZ MEREK	KACPER SANEK
SAHIL PATEL	JERRALD REYES
DANIEL JOHNSTON	LOGAN OUTRAM
GEORGE LOWE	DARRYL SMITH
HUSSEIN MOHAMMAD	MOHAMED MAHMOUD
SHRIPAD JADHAV	NATALIE BRIDGES
KANE LEWIN	GEO SHEA
GEORGE SIMMS	

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LEWIS HILTON	JOSH KELLY
LUKE ADAM	

DLC C (COMMISSIONING)

ARTURAS GASIUNAS	HAFIZ JABBAR
DARWIN CUEVAS	ADAM WALES
JOSS CURTIS	AHMED HOSAM
DYLAN MANSER	

GRADE 4 EXAMS

XIN (MATT) BAO	PATRICK FARRELL
KIERAN WHETHAM	MOHAMED ALI
MUHAMMED	DARWIN CUEVAS
FAKRUDHEEN ADATTIL	NITHIN ASOKAN

DLC A WATER TREATMENT

ISAAC EKE HANKS	MARCUS HARRISON
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Joanne Rowe – CSA Association Secretary and Office Manager



CSA OFFICE NEWS

NEW INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Alfie Powell	Timothy Maxfield
Jack White	Ummar Khitab
Greg Redmond	Jack Chatterway
Toby Mansfield	Lewis Hollman
Alfonso Labrador Soriano	Rhys Harvey-Little
Maher Al Turk	Khaled Mohamed Ahmed Keshta
Prakash Kumar	Ajin Prasad
Jack Thomas	Ahmad Munther Fathi Alqudah
Zeeshan Ali Khan	Mohammad Zeeshan Ahmad Khan
George Merritt	Richard Boardman
Neil David Winterton	James Hull
Jamie Stimpson	Jordan Gibali
Ryan Breddy	Aamir Badat
Nick Breddy	Aldryck Nazareth
Jake Errington	Nathan Tucker
Roshan Silvapilla	Mark Danby
Tremane Hylton Anderson Reddington	Aaron Davies
Reece White	Suresh Pasumarthi
Michael Hulme	Amer Sohail Mohammed
Tarek Hesham Galal	Chris Swift
James Reeve	Mostafa Gamal Barakat Eid
Mohd Amir Alam	Firas Mohmoud Bader
Bahaa Adel Abousabee Ahmed	Mark Richards
Palash Waghamare	Lee McLeod
Owais Ahmed	Kieron Chalklin
Thilak Praveen	Ehab Mohamed Ali Abdelazim Serageldien
Jake Weaver	Shaik Ziya Hassan
Andrew David Gutteridge	Moaz Mohamed Abdelhai Ahmed Awina
Jason Robert Hibbert	Mohamed Hassan Massaquoi
Zack Benjamin McNulty	Connor Gallagher
Nicholas Gary O'Leary	Tom Buckley
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Joanne Rowe – CSA Association Secretary and Office Manager

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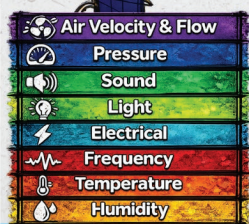
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