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Welcome from the New Master Roger Watts

I wish you all a very warm welcome to this edition of Surveyors Livery Life. Having been involved in the publication of previous editions I know how much work goes into preparing this, our Annual Review. So, my first duty is to thank the SLL team for all their hard work is assembling this edition and to the marketing and design team at Cushman & Wakefield for preparing and arranging the printing.

What a marvellous year we have had. I cannot thank the outgoing master David Jinks enough for all his hard work and dedication over the year. I think it is fair to say that David has really put in a shift. This year has been full of joy and fun. The number of events held have been varied and excellent. I never cease to be amazed by the camaraderie and knowledge gained. I am sure his consort Kim will be glad to see him home again to look after the dogs!

As important to dwell on in this edition, is to focus our thanks on our Clerk. After 46 years of dedicated service Amanda Jackson has decided to retire. You will appreciate that her years of service for us mark her out as the longest serving Clerk amongst all the Livery Companies.

Amanda's role over the last 46 years has been key to the success of this livery company. Her participation here has been her life and everything that the livery company has become has had Amanda at its core. She has ably guided us through difficult times and leaves us in a strong and stable place going forward. In addition, we also welcome our new Clerk Amanda Keane. Amanda is a liveryman and a Chartered Surveyor. She will already be known to some of you as her recent roles have included working at the Investment Property Forum, AREF, The Real Estate Investment Trust Association, LandAid, and the Urban Land Institute. I am very much looking forward to working with Amanda and settling in over the next 12 months.

Shelagh and I are very excited to become your Master and Consort for the next year. I am deeply honoured and privileged to have the pleasure of representing you all and I just hope that I am able to do the job as well as some of our previous esteemed Masters.

I am pleased to be blessed with a fantastic team. It must be said that whilst I am Master, this is a team effort and I am pleased to welcome Stuart Jenkin as Senior Warden, Sally Leonard as Junior Warden and Diane Martin as Renter Warden. They are all dedicated and have great skill sets for the years ahead.

I take on the baton from David knowing the Company is in a great place. 2027 is of some importance to the Company being our 50th anniversary year and I am proud to be part of that. I do hope the year will be special, not least as we will be holding a Gala Dinner at the Mansion House with hopefully the Lord Mayor and the Sherriff's in June.

Like all livery companies it is always a challenge to attract new members and to make sure our existing members enjoy their time in the Company maintaining our City's traditions and supporting our charitable giving. If you do happen to know anyone who would welcome the fellowship we offer, do get in touch with the membership committee (membership@surveyorslivery.org.uk).

One of the achievements of this year has been the development of a new business plan. The plan has an expected life span of 10 years and covers the key pillars of our work being education, charity and fellowship. The business plan sets some ambitious targets and I am looking forward to taking the initial steps next year.



Photo of the Master Roger Watts

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As you know, we are supported by a series of dedicated committees who work tirelessly to support our objectives. In education the hard work of the education and fund-raising teams is quite remarkable. However, special mention must go to our highly successful bursary scheme. This would not happen without the incredible input and dedication of Mickola Wilson, Harvey Sonning, Karen Martin and Clwyd Roberts. It is not just them but also the cohorts of sponsors, mentors and many more which make the scheme so successful. The bursary scheme continues to move forward but currently we have 27 undergraduates receiving bursaries including 12 new ones for this academic year, all of the students are sponsored and in total we have now raised in excess of £1.8 million over the last 6 years in support of this initiative. This is something we can all be rightly proud of bringing forward a new cohort of surveyors who would not have entered the industry had it not been specifically due to our efforts.

Our membership committee has been working hard this year, and I am pleased to say that we have 18 new Liverymen who are profiled in this magazine.

I am grateful to be supported by Kat and Danielle at Spybe who help us with the production of our LinkedIn posts and our monthly digests. I do hope we keep you well informed but as always, we need your help and guidance. If you think there is something which should be changed or if you think there is a particular event that might be popular do get in touch with anyone on the Court. My special thanks go to Helen Pickstock who has been instrumental in organising our many events.

None of us would get involved in any of this if it was not fun. We all have enough stress and pressures in our working and home lives, but within the Livery this is where fun and fellowship come to the fore. I will be continuing with the Master and Wardens on the road and hope to see some of you in the regions during the year. If you would like me to come to meet a few people in your region, please do let me know. There are so many moving parts to the Livery it is often quite hard to take it all in. I am looking forward to an exciting year, and I wish you all a very enjoyable year and I hope to meet as many of you as I can.

Do you know the New Master?

1 **I understand you are a building surveyor. What attracted you to that arm of the profession?**

Sometimes you just get lucky. As a young man, I knew I was a hard worker and reasonably well organised. However, working full time in an office was not likely to be the place for me.

At the time, I thought about architecture and building engineering, but both didn't quite fit the bill. Fortunately, I found a clued-up careers advisor who suggested this new thing called building surveying might be for me. I visited a few universities and was hooked. What's not to like? Understanding how buildings are put together, getting out on site and working out how things went wrong sounded like a great idea.

2 **How did you come to be working in the city?**

I did my degree in Liverpool and as someone wisely told me at the time, there are more chimney pots in London and therefore there's more likely to be work there. At the time, I did a sandwich degree and spent a year looking after the Metropolitan Police Cadet training site in Hendon which was terrific fun but also taught me that I would be better off in the commercial world. Despite one of my uncles referring to London as "that dangerous place", I ended up having two interviews and starting work with De Groot Collis straight out of university. I also started work in Holborn; I had stints in Knightsbridge and the West End before ending up in the city.

3 **What interests you about working in the city?**

To be fair, I've really only ever worked in London, it's just that the City represents the biggest and the best of it all. I have had the most wonderful career dealing with listed buildings in Holborn to the tallest of the skyscrapers in the City with lots of interesting stuff in between. I like to think that in my time, I have pretty much been into, onto or under most of the key sites in London.

4 **Who were the early influences on your future career?**

That's an easy one. The first focus on arriving in London was to qualify ARICS. I was very lucky where I worked because there was plenty of schemes which fitted the bill for the then APC.

I received my diploma in January 1984, just two years after getting my degree. I have in my possession, my invitation to a new members reception held at RICS HQ on the 8th May 1984. As was customary, at the end of that meeting, there were drinks and as a building surveyor, I was taken aside by one Brian Landon. Brian, in his usual forthright manner, told me I was attending a building surveyors Central London Branch Building Surveyors Divisional Committee meeting the following Thursday and that I would be expected to muck in. He must have found me at a weak moment because I did and I never looked back. Brian was a driving force in building surveying, and it was he who influenced me to go through the Building Surveying Divisional Committee Chair, Central London Branch Chair and onto RICS Governing Council getting involved in numerous other committees along the way.

5 **How long have you been a Liveryman?**

I was admitted to the Livery in July 2005. Like all things in life, if you make a decision to become involved with an organisation, my view is you might just as well do it hook, line and sinker. I can't remember which committee I started on, probably M&C. I recall organising several events and also dealing with the production of Livery Life.

6 **What have been the highlights of being a Liveryman?**

That's quite tricky. The whole journey to become a Liveryman is quite exciting. As someone who was born in Australia and brought up on the Welsh borders, not far from a village called Whittington, I do feel a bit like Dick Whittington.

There have been so many highlights over the years. A couple stand out, my first sheep walk across London Bridge where many of my friends came and insisted on doing it in fancy dress as sheep. We caused quite a stir in London on the day. I had the great pleasure of being introduced to Prince William at the RICS, as part of our involvement with Land Aid at the time, which was a great honour.



Roger Watts with the Senior, Junior and Renter Warden

7 Where do you hail from and why London?

I was born in Melbourne, Australia in 1959 but returned with my parents at the end of 1969. From then, I was educated in Oswestry High School in Shropshire until I left for University at Liverpool Polytechnic. The family ran petrol filling stations and garages and before I left for University, I was offered the business by my grandfather. Like many things, my life could have been very different at that stage, but the bright lights of London were far too great an attraction.

8 What do you do away from work and the Livery?

As many will know, back in our day there was no such thing as gap years (or enrichment years, as I am told they are called now), as a result of which, Shelagh and I have always been frustrated "gappies" and have travelled widely.. I am pleased to say that we have visited many places over the years including amongst others Antarctica and the Galapagos. I also drove the difficult way to Mongolia ten years ago, taking a month to do the trip which was a great treat. Whilst I won't be able to travel much in my master year, I am very much looking forward to getting back in the saddle. The whole of the family are keen skiers, and I've loved my trips abroad over the years. Because of my links with the old family business, I do also have a few old cars hanging around, which give me great pleasure. My career has given me the opportunity to try lots of things over the years including sailing, so I would say, almost anything that takes me out of the office is where I'd like to be.



The Master David Jinks with our new Clerk Amanda Keane.



Our New Liverymen

The following are our new Liverymen who have joined in the last year. Please give them a warm welcome into the Company.



Maurice Archer

Maurice is a Chartered Quantity Surveyor and the Group Strategic Director for the McLaren Construction Group. He has a wealth of experience in commercial and financial management, with a career spanning over 35 years in the Construction Industry, having worked for many market-leading contracting businesses. Maurice joined the Main Board of McLaren over 20 years ago, providing strategic leadership as the business has successfully grown to become a £1 billion Tier 1 contractor. His analytical insight and collaborative approach have played a key role in aligning the Group's vision with robust Business Plans and effective governance, driving forward initiatives in an evolving marketplace. Away from work, Maurice loves to travel. He is a keen fan of all sports and is a lifelong supporter of Chelsea Football Club.



David Brooks Wilson

David is the Chairman of Noble Wilson Limited, a property consultancy with operations in the UK and Europe. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Governance, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, The Corporation of Treasurers and The Chartered Institute of Management.

His career has included Trafalgar House Investments Limited, Bovis Plc, P&O Properties Plc, The British Land Company Plc, Eurotunnel Plc/SA, and Imperial College London. More recently he was Managing Director of Eurotunnel Developments Limited, and the Property Director of Eurotunnel Plc/SA, the company responsible for financing and constructing the Channel Tunnel between England and France.

He is a past Chairman of the M.C.C. Estates Committee, and was a member of the M.C.C. Main Committee and a member of their Project Steering Committee covering the £55m redevelopment of the Compton/Edrich Stands, plus the earlier Warner Stand.

He is married with 3 daughters and is a member of Brooks's Club, Bucks Club, the M.C.C. and a Liveryman of the Paynter Stainers' Company, the Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors and the Needlemakers' Company. He lives in Buckinghamshire, and enjoys opera and watching cricket.



Alex Dunkley

Alex is a Chartered Surveyor and Co-Founder of Loop Asset Management (Loop), a multi-let industrial platform that acquires, refurbishes and manages commercial assets across the UK on behalf of family offices and institutions. He began his real estate career working on construction sites in 2012, before graduating from Oxford Brookes University in 2018 with a BSc in Construction Project Management, alongside his involvement with the Oxford University Officers' Training Corps. He spent several years as a project management surveyor at Buro Four, Gardiner & Theobald and Cushman & Wakefield leading sector-agnostic developments in central London, before co-founding Loop in 2024. As a result, he has hands-on experience across the entire asset lifecycle and is particularly passionate about rewriting traditional industry processes to drive greater efficiencies.

Outside of work, Alex is a keen sailor, padel player and Fulham FC fan. He's particularly generous whenever invited to play golf, by donating many balls to the forest!



Nick Forester

Nick qualified as a Chartered Surveyor in 2010 and since then has been in private practice predominantly in London. He has been involved in the commercial management of a variety of schemes ranging from pharmaceutical production installations in France and the UK, to commercial, residential and hotel schemes, as well as a children's indoor theme park complete with rollercoasters and other attractions.

Prior to this he started his construction career as a carpenter and maintains this limited skill as a hobby. He then worked for a regional drylining contractor before graduating to a tier one main contractor, whilst completing a distance-learning postgraduate diploma in surveying.

His interests are varied, with a gravitation towards anything involving boats or wheels.



James Hicks

James has an MSc in Real Estate Development from the University of Westminster and qualified as a Chartered Surveyor in 2018. He started his career at JLL, advising corporate occupiers on a range of commercial real estate matters. After 4 years with JLL, James moved client-side and is currently Head of Corporate Real Estate at Gilead Sciences, a research-based biopharmaceutical company with responsibility for managing real estate activities across Gilead's global portfolio.

He works closely with senior business leaders to ensure the real estate function supports organisational growth, enhances employee experience, and delivers long-term value through effective portfolio management, workplace strategy, and operational excellence.

James serves as a Trustee of the London Early Years Foundation (LEYF), a charitable social enterprise operating 43 nurseries across London, and as a Trustee of the Ockley Housing Association in Surrey. He is married with two children and enjoys spending time with his young family.



Genevieve Hughes

Genevieve's expertise lies in setting up and leading construction projects across a variety of sectors including multi-unit residential and luxury retail, high-end residential, commercial and leisure. Genevieve started her career within blue-chip retail head office property teams which led her into Project Management early with roles at Virgin, Cineworld, Debenhams and Selfridges and then into high-end residential with a turnkey design and build practice, Janine Stone, and now as a co-director of H & H Property Services. Across her career Genevieve has acted client-side, consultant-side and as a contractor which has given her a full 360-degree perspective of the project process. Genevieve's collaborative nature has been instrumental in managing diverse external and internal teams and enjoys fostering an environment that aligns with Clients' values and drives successful project completions.



Shaan Ilyas

Shaan is a Consultant at Deloitte, specialising in operations and real estate, with experience as an industry specialist, real estate solution architect and technical business analyst. His work involves supporting organisations with operational improvement, real estate strategy and business transformation, bringing together commercial, operational and analytical perspectives to help clients address complex challenges. Shaan holds an MBA from London Business School and isa Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and the Royal Geographical Society, reflecting longstanding interests in business, society, geography, architecture and the built environment.

He was delighted to be admitted as a Liveryman in October 2025. Becoming part of the Company has been a great privilege, and I have particularly enjoyed the opportunity to meet fellow Liverymen, participate in the Company's events and learn more about the traditions, fellowship and charitable contribution of the Livery movement. Outside of work and Livery life, Shaan enjoys travelling, architecture and history, cultural and sporting events, and spending time with friends and family.



Amanda Keane

Amanda is a chartered surveyor and our new Clerk of the Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors. With more than 35 years' experience in the property industry, Amanda's career has spanned consultancy, academia, membership organisations and industry bodies, including roles with the Association for Rental Living, AREF, The Investment Property Forum, Urban Land Institute and LandAid.



Jonathan Marwood

Jonathan is an Equity Partner at Hartnell Taylor Cook LLP, based between the firm's Bristol and London offices. As well as being a Chartered Surveyor, he also holds the MCIArb qualification.

Jonathan jointly leads the firm's Property and Asset Management Division focusing on property management as well as development, asset management initiatives focused on alternative use opportunities for clients. Jonathan predominantly acts for UK and Far East private wealth clients alongside long-standing public-sector appointments and more recently a deliberately grown local authority practice. He also chairs the firm's AI Sub-Committee, leading the adoption of artificial intelligence.

Away from work, Jonathan lives in Gloucestershire with his wife, Charlie, and enjoys shooting, sailing, walking and generally being outdoors. He joined the Livery in April 2026 and, having come to the City from a farming background, is keen to support the Company's work in how surveying is presented to young people who might never otherwise consider it.



Mark Nevitt

Mark is Managing Director and co-founder of Torrington Properties (TPD Ltd), which he established in 2018 alongside Jason Wood. He has a 38-year track record delivering real estate solutions for public and private sector clients, including 20 years with institutional fund managers.

Torrington Properties undertakes property development and project management on behalf of clients across the UK, working with local councils, housing associations and private clients. Mark's particular focus is development with a social conscience, delivering sustainable schemes that meet stakeholder needs while contributing positively to people and place.

Mark is a Chartered Environmentalist and Fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (Cenv FRICS).



Sunny-Thomas Obasuyi

Sunny MRICS is an Associate Partner at HartDixon LLP, based in the City of London, where he works as a consultant side Project Manager, Employer's Agent and Contract Administrator across commercial, residential and industrial projects. Promoted to Associate Partner in June 2025, Sunny has over a decade of experience delivering projects for institutional landowners, real estate investment trusts, and private developers.

Beyond his day-to-day role, Sunny is active in RICS governance, being the first-ever holder of the NextGen seat in RICS's 155 year history. He is also an RICS APC Assessor and a member of the RICS Inspire Ambassador programme, a Neurodiversity and D&I Champion, and a STEM Ambassador. He was admitted to the Livery in October 2025.

Sunny was Highly Commended at the Property Week Next Generation Leader of the Year Awards 2025. His advocacy focuses on removing barriers to entry into the surveying profession and ensuring the next generation has a voice in shaping it.



Fergal O'Reilly

Fergal is a Partner in EY's Real Estate Capital Advisory practice based in London, where he advises on real estate corporate finance, joint ventures, capital raising and strategic advisory projects. His work includes corporate and portfolio transactions, development and regeneration projects, restructuring situations and introducing capital into privately held real estate portfolios.

Prior to EY, Fergal spent 12 years in the investment and real estate finance teams at King Sturge LLP. He joined EY just prior to the financial crisis in 2008 and spent the following few years working on restructuring projects across the UK, Ireland and mainland Europe. Since then, his work has covered a broad range of real estate sectors and transactions through very different market cycles.

Fergal lives in Surrey with his wife and three sons and, when not fulfilling his weekend role as his sons' taxi driver, enjoys walking their dog in the surrounding countryside, cycling and gardening. He is also a governor of a local primary school and looks forward to contributing to the activities of the Company.



Tina Pallet

Tina is a built environment professional with over 30 years' international experience in development, asset management and sustainable investment. Her career spans major real estate and infrastructure projects in Europe, the UK and globally. Over the course of her career - including 12 years developing and leading one of the world's largest real estate asset managers (€32bn AuM) - she has delivered major development programmes, steered global portfolio transformation and led pioneering initiatives such as Europe's first Green Bonds and some of the sector's earliest portfolio level decarbonisation plans.

She served as Global President of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, during which she set a new three year strategy for the Institution, strengthened governance, and advanced RICS' sustainability agenda, including supporting the development of the Whole Life Carbon Assessment Standard - now widely referenced across the built environment sector. Tina is Co Founder of the Circular Do Tank and Founder of Circotrade, working to accelerate circularity and reuse in construction through practical tools and market mechanisms. She is also a Trustee of World Habitat and a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Chartered Architects. Outside work she enjoys hiking, biking, travelling, cooking and reading.



James Roberts

James Roberts is a Chartered Surveyor based in Kent, with a career spanning commercial property, valuation, asset management and development. He runs his own property consultancy and remains actively involved in the management and development of a family-owned property portfolio. James is a Fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, actively engaged with the profession beyond his everyday work. He proudly served as Chair of the RICS South East Regional Board and as the Public Sector Lead Judge at the RICS UK Awards. James is also an APC assessor and is dedicated to guiding the next wave of surveyors toward success through his work with DeLever Ltd as an APC Coach.

Outside of surveying, James has served as a Magistrate since 2019. He was delighted to become a Liveryman and looks forward to becoming actively involved in the fellowship and wider work of the Company.



Rebecca Robertson

Rebecca has worked in the construction and property industry for around 10 years, becoming a Chartered Building Surveyor in May 2025. She is also a counsellor for APC candidates and aims to become an assessor in due course. Rebecca is currently working for Fresson and Tee in Central London with a focus on commercial clients. The varied roles over the years have given her experience in new build residential properties, contract admin, building disputes, party walls, Licences to Alter, Project Management, Dilapidations, building pathology and more.

Rebecca lives in Essex and outside of work enjoys a variety of activities including riding out on her motorbike, horse riding, running and hiking and spending time with friends and family and has a huge passion for travelling. Most recently, she combined these interests through learning archery on horseback in Finland!



Duncan Salvesen

Duncan started his career at Chesterton in 1979, where he qualified via the part-time postal course. He has principally specialised in the residential sector in London acting as an investment agent, valuer and strategic advisor to many large property organisations, banks and private property companies. In 1997 he joined Dorrington and spent the next 27 years as a director and head of residential, leading the residential investment and development activities of one of the UK's most reputable and successful real estate companies.

He has extensive experience and involvement in the real estate industry as a former chairman and a current member of the British Property Federation (BPF) Residential board, where he has been advocating for the interests and needs of the residential sector and influencing the policy and regulatory landscape with a particular focus on the build-to-rent sector.

Alongside this he is a NED/Adviser to Orchard Street Investment Management on residential opportunities. He also sits on the NHBC council.



Duncan Waller

Duncan started his career at Bernard Thorpe Leeds, before moving to London joining Jones Lang Wootton in Hanover Square. For the past 30 years he has been a property developer and investor in his own right, focussing on in-line and accessible retail. Recent new build projects totalling 300,000sq ft include: Gateway Park, Grimsby; Minster Way, Beverley and Junction 27 Retail Park, Leeds. Alongside working with retailers, his current JV partners include Lidl, Home Bargains and drive-thru operators. Duncan remains extremely passionate about property, driving change and finding opportunities to then deliver on time and on target. He shares his time living and working in London and Yorkshire and interests include skiing, swimming, keeping fit and can be found at weekends exploring hidden parts of London on a 'Boris' bike.



John Wills

John is a Chartered Surveyor with over 25 years' experience in the UK commercial property market. A graduate of Oxford Brookes University with a degree in Real Estate Management, John spent more than 20 years with GVA Grimley/Avison Young, where he was a Director in the Restructuring team in London. John joined Gordon Brothers in 2023 and advises lenders, insolvency practitioners and corporate clients on property restructuring, asset recovery, asset management and disposal strategies across a broad range of commercial property sectors. John also has extensive experience acting as an LPA Receiver on behalf of secured lenders.

The Livery would like to thank existing members who have proposed new members to the Company and allow the Livery to grow and flourish .

Charity Update

On behalf of the Trustees, we extend a heartfelt thank you to:

- Those Liverymen that have donated to the Charity, it really makes a difference
- To our bursary sponsors without whom we could not fund the 62 students in the programme – an incredible £1.8m has been donated.
- To our education team and mentors
- To all our volunteers and committee members that give up their time so generously.

It has been a busy period for the charity. The Trustees decided that we needed to modernise the charity structure and reduce the number of Trustees. Lawyers Russell Cooke are engaged and our application to move to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) is currently with the Charity Commissioners.

“Are We Making A Difference?”

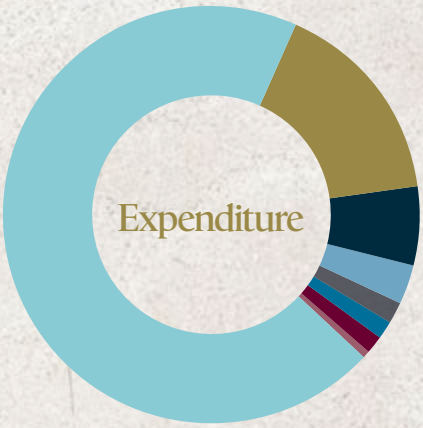
It's a question we regularly ask and below is how we think we are:

- Currently, 62 young people from less advantaged backgrounds have undertaken or are undertaking property degrees through the Chartered Surveyors Bursary Programme. They are truly an inspiration and confirm the charity's tagline “that talent is universal, but opportunity is not”. Of this group 62% are female.
- Supporting the three Inner London schools of St. Saviours & St. Olaves, Central Foundation Girls and Robert Clack.
- Supporting the Arts by awarding 4 bursaries to the Central School of Ballet and 2 to the Guildhall School of Music.
- Supporting the only Scout group in the City of London
- Providing the Endeavour awards to those service men that have shown outstanding service from our military affiliates.
- Supporting the Lord Mayor's charities.
- Providing a grant to 4 Students on the sustainable real estate Master's degree at the University of Cambridge

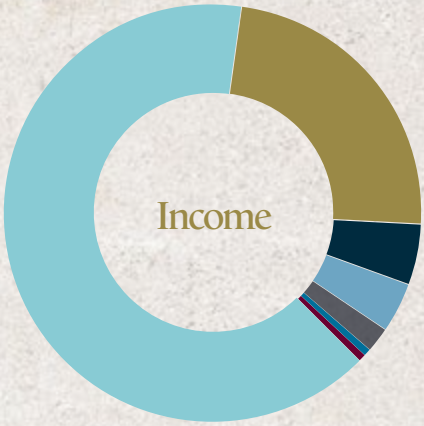
Charity Financials

The Charity's accounts year ended on 30th of September 2025 are available to view in the Members Area of our website. Net funds increased during the year to £1,767,804. The charity received income of £463,437 (2024: £459,512) primarily from donations and investment income. The Fund continued to support various charities and educational establishments with grants, donations and fundraising events of £384,689 (2024: £344,693). Fundraising costs were NIL (2024: NIL). The market value of investments increased during the year from £1,517,990 to £1,634,811.

The following pie charts are a more detailed breakdown of expenditure & income:



- **£320,000** Bursary Programme
- **£73,995** Admin & Management
- **£27,800** Music & Ballet Colleges
- **£15,000** Cambridge degree
- **£7,255** Schools
- **£6,554** City incl Scouts
- **£5,580** Unifrog
- **£2,500** Other



- **£300,000** Sponsors
- **£110,000** Investments
- **£22,163** Investment Income
- **£18,041** Donations
- **£8,428** Gift Aid
- **£2,705** Fund Raising events
- **£2,100** Fund Raising events

Donating Makes Such a Difference

Charitable Donations

Education and charity are at the heart of the Livery and there is the opportunity and need to do more. All donations are most welcomed but to reinforce our longer-term commitment to our charity, the Company encourages all form of charitable giving. We are fortunate that the overheads to run our charity are very low which means that nearly all your money will go directly to the recipients. As you will see in the publication, the Charity is undertaking much needed work in helping young people and promoting the careers of Chartered Surveyors.

There are three ways to donate:

1

Regular Donation

Set up a regular monthly, quarterly or annual donation by way of a direct debit: even £5 per month is greatly appreciated. Also, if you are a UK taxpayer you are able to claim Gift Aid on your donation.

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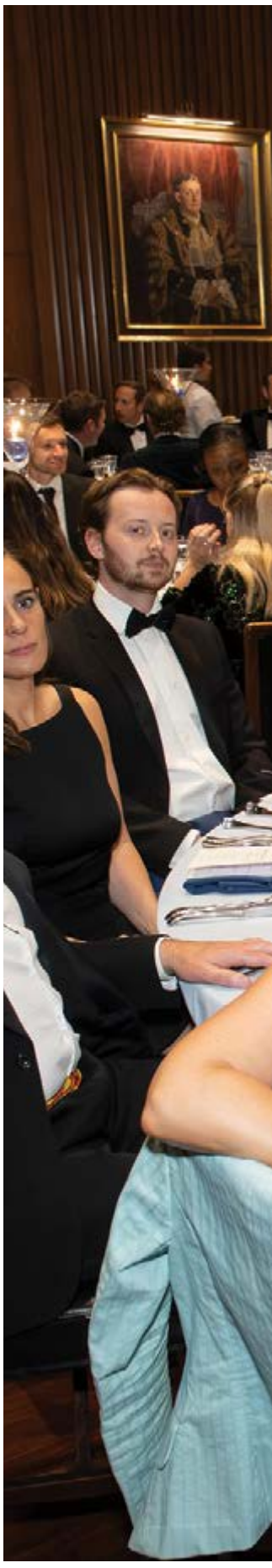
Living Legacy

Make a one off "living legacy" where anyone is able to make a one off donation to the charity (and if appropriate seek tax relief on this) and will then have the satisfaction of seeing the donation in action.

3

Legacies

In your will leave a legacy to the charity which also offers a tax efficient method of recognising the way in which our lives have been blessed by our profession and encouraging our successors. It is hoped that you will support the Charity but trusting that it will be a long time before the legacy takes effect. Advice should be taken before making any commitment and you should especially think of the impact on other beneficiaries and your overall financial position. Financial, legal and tax issues associated with leaving a legacy may be complex but in most circumstances the legacy will be free from tax and there may be a commensurate saving for your Estate. Please take advice as the Livery cannot be responsible for your private arrangements. Legacies can be for a specific amount or as a share of your estate. Advice should inform your choice and if, after careful consideration, you are able to make a legacy, please complete the simple form on the website **https://surveyorslivery.org.uk/charitable-activities/leave-a-lasting-legacy and send a copy (in confidence) to the Clerk (Amandakeane@surveyorslivery.org.uk).**





Stewardship Report

Sarasin & Partners Stewardship Report 2026

Our investment managers Sarasin have just produced their Stewardship report based upon the Charities investment portfolio at the end of 2025. This is a very comprehensive analysis that examines the companies where investments are made by reference to Environment (E), Social (S) and Governance (G), ESG. The detailed report has been listed in the Members area of the website under information for further reading. Below is an extract from the report that shows a breakdown per ESG section using traffic light system. Overall, the portfolio currently is a B.

ESG traffic light assessment (% of portfolio)

- Based on the assessments of the 15 ESG sub-themes, we arrive at an overall traffic light for E, S and G.
- This represents our summary assessment of how material the adverse impacts identified are for each company's specific circumstances.
- This chart shows the figures aggregated at the portfolio level.



Graduating Students

The Chartered Surveyor Bursary Programme

The momentum is being maintained to our fantastic Chartered Surveyors Bursary programme as it enters into its 7th year. Including this year's cohort that number of students that are or have taken property related degrees has reach 62 and raised an incredible £1.8m from the property industry.

Many congratulations to the following who have graduated this year, the Livery is extremely proud of their achievement:



Michael Adjei-Senyah

University of Loughborough

BSc Commercial Management and Quantity Surveying
Lower second



Jason Tankum

University of Nottingham Trent

Property Finance and Investment
Upper second



Noel Dawit

Cambridge (Fitzwilliam)

BA Land economy
Upper second



Ellyce Adjei Biney

Birmingham City University

Real Estate
Upper second



Schaun King

University of Reading

BSc Real Estate with Urban Planning and Development
First



Adeshola Olamide-Daniel

University of Reading

Real Estate with planning and development
Lower second



Mary Melindji

University of Reading

BSc Quantity Surveying
Upper second

For the 26/27 cohort our education team led by Clwyd Roberts, Diane Martin and Karen Martin (our Programme Manager) have successfully interviewed those candidates recommended by Pathways to Property. From this exhaustive exercise, it is brilliant news that 11 young people have been offered and taken up a bursary. They are as follows:

- **Georgina Labalpiny -** Reading QS
- **Daniella Akindolie -** Nottingham Trent Real Estate
- **Khyrn Gabriel** - Reading Real Estate and Finance
- **Abraham Maxwell Nelson -** Reading Foundation leading to RE, Dev and Planning
- **Ayomide Yusuf -** Nottingham Trent Real Estate
- **Pareece Campbell -** UCL Real Estate
- **Priscilla Konadu -** Reading Real Estate, Development and Planning
- **Damola Divine Ojo -** Reading Real Estate
- **Oliver Goldberg -** Salford Real Estate
- **Vladislavs Paulins -** Reading Construction Management
- **Christina Fletcher -** RAU Rural Land and Property Management
- **Joline Mandou -** Sheffield Urban Planning

This scheme would not be possible without the incredible support of our sponsors. Once again due to the hard work of the fund raising team led by Mickola Wilson (Past Master) and Harvey Soning (Court Assistant) the following sponsors are backing these students:

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ARROW GLOBAL | Cyril Leonard | WCCS
Colliers | Syndicate 2 (WCCS Liverymen) | Accessible Retail

A huge thank you to these companies and also to the mentors who will work closely with the students during the next three years.

Unifrog

Unifrog is the careers platform aimed at secondary school students across the UK. The system identifies pupils' key attributes and interests and steers them into a suitable careers area where they are able to view 2-3 minute videos, from an active player in that particular field (as well as other links e.g. to WCCS and RICS). The videos explain a typical day, a commentary on routes into the industry, what they enjoy about the work and attributes that lead to success.

Unifrog has been adopted by 3,500 schools reaching 2,350,000 students with 120,000 teachers actively engaged on the platform 66% of state schools have adopted Unifrog.

We were initially disappointed to see no real estate content with particularly reference to Chartered Surveyors, was on the portal. Therefore the decision was taken to remedy this by creating and posting 5 videos being:

- Industry overview
- Building Surveying
- Town planning and Development
- Letting and Transactions
- Property Management

These can be viewed on our website at https://surveyorslivery.org.uk/education/careers-in-property-resource/

By the end July 2026, the videos have had **22,620** page views, with **13,579** favourite and **4,031** video views. **28.2%** of the viewers were categorised as disadvantaged and **46.6%** were female.

Given the success of this initiative the Charity Trustees have approved 4 more videos to be added to the platform as follows:

- Quantity Surveying
- Construction Project Management (Project Management is a title easily confused with other industries on the Unifrog platform but is what is intended here)
- Valuations
- Rural Estate Management

This is an exciting development to make more young people aware of the career opportunity that being a Chartered Surveyor offers.

The bursary programme began in 2020, with its first graduates in 2023. Including current undergraduates, we have supported: 62

Graduates for 2026 were:

Michael Adjei-Senyah	Loughborough - BSc Commercial Management and Quantity Surveying
Noel Dawit	Cambridge (Fitzwilliam) - BA Land economy
Schaun King	Reading - BSc Real Estate with Urban Planning and Development
Mary Melindji	Reading - BSc Quantity Surveying
Jason Tankum	Nottingham Trent - Property Finance and Investment
Ellyce Adjei Biney	Birmingham City - Real Estate
Adeshola Olamide-Daniel	Reading - Real Estate with planning and Development
Georgina Labalpiny	Reading - QS
Daniella Akindolie	Nottingham Trent - Real Estate
Khyrn Gabriel	Reading - Real Estate and Finance
Aaron Lardi	Boakye - Land Economy
Abraham Maxwell-Nelson	Reading - Foundation leading to RE, Development and Planning
Ayomide Yusuf	Nottingham Trent - Real Estate
Pareece Campbell	UCL - Real Estate
Priscilla Konadu	Reading - Real Estate, Development and Planning
Damola Divine Ojo	Reading - Real Estate
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Vladislavs Paulins	Reading - Construction Management
Christina Fletcher	RAU - Rural Land and Property Management
Joline Mandou	Sheffield - Urban Planning

Investing in the Next Generation: The Livery Lite Mentoring Programme

Mentoring has always had an important role in professional development. The opportunity to learn from someone who has already travelled part of the journey can provide invaluable perspective, encouragement and, sometimes, the confidence to take the next step.

For professionals entering or developing their careers in the built environment, that opportunity can be particularly valuable. Surveying is a profession built on knowledge, experience and judgement, and there is much that cannot simply be learned from a textbook or training course. Understanding how to navigate a career, develop professional relationships, overcome challenges and make the most of opportunities often comes from talking to people who have been there themselves. This is where we come in and why we have created the Surveyors Livery Lite Mentoring Programme.

The mentoring programme was launched in July 2026 and represents our natural extension of that commitment to professional development and to supporting the next generation of people working across the property and built environment sectors. It is a programme built around people.

We have paired 10 mentors and mentees together for a 12-month programme. The ambition is straightforward but important: to share knowledge, build connections and support career development and progression. Importantly the breadth of knowledge and experience the members of the Livery has to offer is one of the programme's strengths. The property industry encompasses an enormous range of disciplines, from valuation and agency to building surveying, planning, development and property management. We are therefore bringing people together from different backgrounds to create opportunities for participants to gain perspectives that they may not encounter in their day-to-day roles.

Why mentoring matters

The benefits of mentoring go beyond asking questions. For a mentee, the greatest benefit is having a trusted sounding board. Early career decisions can feel significant, whether that means choosing a specialism, preparing for professional qualifications, considering a change of role or simply understanding how to progress within an organisation.

A mentor can offer an external perspective and help a mentee think through those decisions. They can share experiences, explain how they approached similar situations and, crucially, provide reassurance that uncertainty is a normal part of professional development.

Mentoring can also help build confidence. Knowing that someone with experience believes in your potential can make a considerable difference, particularly at moments when an individual is questioning their own abilities.

There is also a practical benefit. A mentor can help a mentee identify skills that need developing, set realistic objectives and think about how to turn ambitions into achievable actions. In a profession where professional qualifications such as the RICS APC can be a major milestone, having someone who understands the pressures and expectations of the process can be especially valuable.

But the benefits are not one-way

For mentors, supporting someone else's development can be equally rewarding. Explaining a challenge to another person often encourages us to reflect on our own experiences and what we have learned along the way. Mentoring can sharpen communication and leadership skills while providing an opportunity to give something back to the profession.

It can also be refreshing to hear the views of the next generation. The property industry is changing rapidly, with technology, sustainability, artificial intelligence, changing working practices and evolving expectations around careers all influencing the way the profession operates. Mentoring creates a two-way exchange in which experience meets fresh thinking.In that sense, mentoring is not simply about passing knowledge from one generation to another. It is about creating a conversation between generations.

A successful mentoring relationship can develop into a professional connection that lasts well beyond the formal end of the programme. The mentor may become a long-term adviser, while the mentee may eventually become a mentor themselves. This possibility is particularly exciting. The most successful mentoring programmes create a cycle: today's mentees become tomorrow's mentors, taking what they have learned and passing it on to those who follow. The new SLL programme therefore builds on an established philosophy of investing in people.

What happens next?

With the programme now in place, we have moved into its most important phase: the mentoring relationships themselves. The programme began with a launch event bringing mentors and mentees together for the first time. This provided an opportunity to meet, understand how the scheme will work and look ahead to the year of development and collaboration.

The next step is for the individual mentor-mentee relationships to develop. Over the coming 12 months, participants will have the opportunity to share experiences, discuss career aspirations, build professional connections and work towards personal development goals.



> **"One month in, and we're already seeing some really valuable conversations around career goals and professional development."**
>
> **Charlie Bruinvels**
> Chair of Surveyors Livery Lite

For the Livery Lite Committee, the year ahead will also be an opportunity to learn. As this is the initial wave, feedback from mentors and mentees will be important in understanding what works particularly well and where the scheme can evolve.

The longer-term ambition is equally significant. If the first cohort demonstrates the value that mentoring can bring, there is an opportunity to build on the model and make it available to more members and professionals in future years.

Please reach out to Charlie if you have questions or want to participate.

Did you Know We Have an Almoner?



Jenna Davies

As part of our fellowship the health & wellbeing of all our Liverymen is extremely important to us. This is the reason we have an appointed Almoner in Past Master Jenna Davies. The role of the Almoner is to act as the human heart and encompasses the pastoral care, welfare, and well-being of the company's members and their families.

Any contact with the Almoner on any matter is completely confidential and should provide a safe space for an open discussion to see where the Livery may be able to help or just having an opportunity to talk through a matter with a neutral party.

The main areas covered by the role of the Almoner are:

1

Welfare and Support

Providing a confidential, sympathetic ear and guidance for members facing illness, severe stress, or financial hardship

2

Bereavement Care

Reaching out to grieving families, maintaining contact with the widows or widowers of former members, and attending funerals

3

Bridging Generations

Connecting older or retired members with the wider company so they do not feel isolated.

4

Communication

Acting as a discreet bridge between individual members in need and the governing body (the Court) or charitable trusts of the Livery Company. Within the objectives of our Charity , it is to prevent, reduce, or alleviate financial hardship and its effects on individuals and their families.

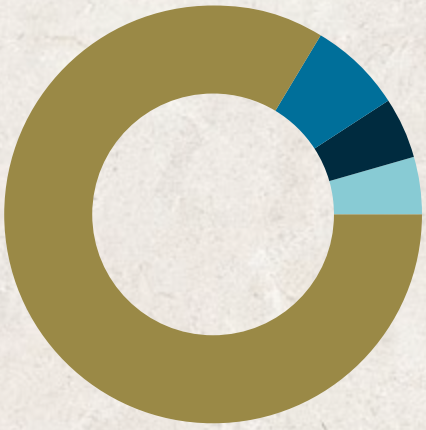
The contact details for Jenna are email Almoner@surveyorslivery.org.uk and mobile number 07881 826335

The Company's Finances Explained

The audited accounts for the year ended 30th September 2025 contain the following highlights. Total income for the year was £165,220 (2024: £161,807) and consisted mainly of quarterage and investment income. The result for the year after exceptional items amounted to a deficit of £56,016. This figure includes a profit on investments totalling £4,204 (2024: £32,772). The complete accounts can be viewed in the Members area. The detail is as follows:

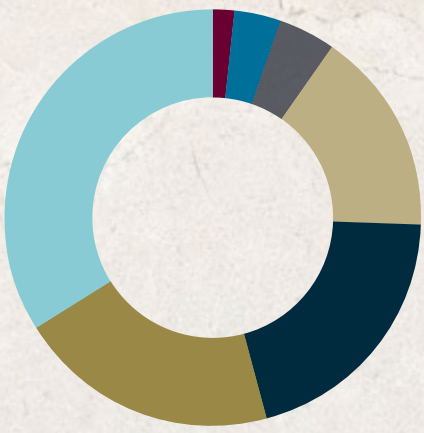
The exceptional expenditure comprised £54,615 which was made up largely of a deferred tax reserve of £35,000 (which arose due to the transfer of funds between investment managers) and a donation to the Brain Tumour charity of £5,000.

Income



- **£138,551** Quarterage
- **£11,715** Fines
- **£7,104** Investment income
- **£7,850** Administration and Educational costs

Expenditure



- **£62,387** Salaries
- **£7,837** City Costs
- **£37,115** Office costs
- **£6,752** Master expenses
- **£37,075** Other
- **£2,906** Cost of badges
- **£29,130** Costs of functions

An Opportunity to be a Sponsor

A new and exciting initiative from the Funding Committee has been put in place. This enables those Liverymen who would like to sponsor a student but do not want to commit the full £30,000 to form a syndicate jointly with others. It is great news that Syndicate 1 was established last year and now Syndicate 2 has been formed and is sponsoring a student this year. If you are interested, please contact the Clerk for more information.

SYNDICATE ONE

Interview With Our Retiring Clerk Amanda Jackson



Amanda Jackson

> **46 Years of outstanding service to the worshipful company of chartered surveyors**

Amanda's 46 years of commitment represent a truly exceptional achievement and the very definition of service. Having initially started working for the WCCS in 1980, Amanda's contribution extends beyond the traditional responsibilities of a Clerk. She has been a constant presence throughout much of the history of the Company, which is itself only 49 years old. providing continuity, professionalism, and unwavering dedication, while helping to shape the vibrant and respected Livery Company it is today.

Throughout her tenure as Clerk, Amanda has been the institutional memory of the Company, supporting generations of Masters, Wardens, Court Assistants, committee members and Liverymen alike, ensuring that traditions have been maintained amid the growth and evolvement of the Livery. Her knowledge of City customs and commitment to members, new and old alike, have helped the Company oversee periods of change, while preserving the unique culture and fellowship that continues to define the Livery.

An example of the above contribution is noted in the Company records, that as Assistant Clerk in the early 1980s, Amanda was involved in exploring the creation of what became the Chartered Surveyors Training Trust (CSTT). Working alongside leading members of the Company, Amanda helped support an initiative that went on to open career opportunities for countless young people entering the surveying profession. The evolution of CSTT became one of the Company's most significant educational achievements and a reflection of its commitment to social mobility and professional development.

Amanda's legacy is measured not only by the longevity of her service, but by the dedication, professionalism and commitment provided throughout. Over 46 years she has witnessed and supported the growth of the Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors from a relatively young Livery Company into a thriving organisation, with a strong presence in the City of London, an active charitable programme, significant educational outreach and a growing membership community.

This is in addition tothe support provided across other areas including (but not limited to) liaising with the other Livery Companies, ceremonial occasions throughout the year and organisation of the various Livery functions. In particular the Dinners are a highlight, where you are given a beautifully presented card on arrival containing all the information for the evening, including a table plan stating all those attending as well as the specific location of your seat with a wee arrow – magic indeed!

As the Master acknowledged in his speech at the Summer Dinner "I have rapidly discovered what many Master's before me already knew: a good Clerk is indispensable. A great Clerk is indispensable and somehow manages to make the Master believe that everything is under control even when other matters suggest otherwise. On this note I am sorry to announce that Amanda Jackson, our current Clerk will be retiring at our next Court meeting in October. Amanda, thank you for your 46 years of long service to this livery company. It is hugely appreciated by us all."

Our thanks to you, Amanda and we wish you a very happy and well-earned retirement.

Amanda II? - Our New Clerk



Amanda Keane at Livery Dinner Oct 26

Slightly confusing but we have a new Amanda in the form of Amanda Keane who is our new clerk. We're delighted to welcome Amanda as the new Clerk of the Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors. A Chartered Surveyor with more than 35 years' experience in the property industry, Amanda Keane's career has spanned consultancy, academia, membership organisations and industry bodies, including roles with the Association for Rental Living, Investment Property Forum, Urban Land Institute and LandAid.

Having joined the Company earlier this year, Amanda says the Clerk role brings together many of the things she enjoys most – working with members, supporting a profession she is proud to be part of and contributing to an organisation whose commitment to education, charity and widening access to the profession really resonates with her.

I am sure you will all be looking forward to meeting Amanda and supporting her.

WCCS 50th Anniversary 2027

There are 114 Livery Companies in the City of London. The oldest is the Drapers which was established in the 12th century and received their Royal Charter in 1394. They have over 700 years of history. By comparison, the Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors was established in 1977 so will be 50 years old next year. We rank 85th in the list of Livery Companies.

In 1976 the then President of the RICS appointed a steering committee with a view to forming a Livery Company. They were clearly a formidable bunch because it took them only 6 months to drive through the necessary procedures with the Court of Aldermen of the City of London and to obtain our Letters patent. The inaugural meeting to form a Livery for Chartered Surveyors took place on the 2nd December 1976 at The City of London Club and included Sir Oliver Chesterton, R A S Brook, R B Caws, N H Clutton, R H Clutton, B A Farquharson, A H P Gillett, P W Grafton, B G Holliday , B A Farquharson, Sir Murray Fox CBE , R W P Luff, D R Male, T J Nardecchie, B J Russell, C Sweett, P W Trumper and R L A Woolgar.

We have taken the date of our formation the 31st of May 1977.Our first master was Sir Oliver Chesterton, and we have had 49 Masters since, as one past Master, Ken Morgan, was asked to serve two years because of the covid pandemic.

It should also be noted that one of the original founders, Professor Alan Gillett, remains a liveryman. One outstanding point is that, in effect, during all this time we have had only one clerk, Amanda Jackson, who has been with us for 46 years. Amanda Jackson is currently working to finalise a history of the Company that we hope to publish next year.

There have been many notable achievements and highlights along the way that we can be proud of, and it is true to say, as livery companies go, we are noted for our achievements in charitable giving, education, and our support of the mayoralty and the City of London.

To celebrate our year, we will be holding some special events including a gala dinner at the Mansion House on Tuesday 15th June 2027. (Do save the date). At this stage, the Lord Mayor and both sheriffs and their consorts have indicated that they should be able to join us.

We will also join with 135 Geo in the Lord Mayor's Parade in November featuring some of our partner schools and affiliates. We will close the 50th year with a final party in one of the City's skyscrapers overlooking the environment which, as surveyors, we have helped to shape. We hope you all will participate in this significant event for our Livery.

The Livery to You



Resulting from the Livery on the Road initiative, the Master or Wardens will be very happy to attend any event that you might like to organise involving retired Liverymen that might be close to your current location. For example, David Jinks, Sally Leonard and Helen Pickstock recently went to UK REIF in Leeds to meet up with Court Assistant David Boyne and joined fellow Liverymen and guests from across the UK for the annual Brigantes Breakfast at the impressive Royal Armouries Museum in Leeds.

With around 400 Liverymen and guests in attendance, the event was a wonderful opportunity to bring together members of the Livery movement from across the country. It was a pleasure to see members of our Company in attendance - the Master David Jinks, Helen Pickstock, Sally Leonard and David Boyne who is Vice Chieftain East for Brigantes.

If you have an idea please contact the Clerk to explore how this can be arranged.

GSMD & Song Competition

Members of The Chartered Surveyors' Company attended the annual Vocal Competition at the Guildhall School of Music & Drama - a fantastic evening celebrating exceptional young talent from the school's undergraduate and postgraduate vocal programmes.

It was a proud evening supporting both the Guildhall School and the Vocal Competition, recognising excellence within the arts. The school remains a valued part of the wider Livery community, and it was a privilege to hear performances of such remarkable sensitivity, intelligence and individuality throughout the evening.

All finalists performed carefully selected and inspiring 15-minute pieces, with the WCCS Master's Medal for the Song Competition being awarded to Julia Guix I Estrada. Congratulations to all finalists, and everyone involved.



Central School of Ballet

2025-2026 has been an exceptional year of achievement for the Central School of Ballet. Over 50% BA (Hons) graduates in 2026 were awarded First Class Degrees with 94% obtaining either a First or Upper Second. Their prestigious talent was on show throughout Ballet Central 2026 that travelled to ten venues including delighting audiences at Darlington's magnificently refurbished Hippodrome Theatre.

The tour demonstrated once more the ballet's ability to nurture the talents of young choreographers, launching student careers and fuel the creative life force of our sector.

This year's graduates have variously stepped into contracts and traineeships with examples including the English National Ballet (UK Tour Romeo & Juliet), Northern Ballet, London City Ballet, Germany's Delattre Dance Company, Italy's International Ballet Company, Messapica and the Acosta Dance Foundation.

Our Ballet Central reviewer lorded Central's restaging of Kenneth MacMillan's Solitaire as 'the jewel of the show'. Solitaire and Bolero Eighteen were included in Central's Summer Showcase repertoire at the Britten Theatre, alongside the work of two Central MA choreography students, Yeji Kim's undercurrent and Ruaidhri Maguie's The Veil.



Madeleine Everard



This year, we have supported four students who have all graduated:

William Campbell

His tutor said that he was an exceptionally talented and mature performer whose stage presence immediately captures the audience's attention. He has a natural ability to communicate through performance and his artistry and understanding of character make him a compelling dancer to watch.

Lily Matthews

Lily's lovely classical physique and natural line make her stand out and she has developed greater strength and confidence in her dancing. To further release her full potential she has continued to develop her artistic approach and performance qualities, allowing her personality and expressive abilities to shine.

Madeleine Everard

Madeliene is engaged and responds well and works with concentration in her class and has demonstrated lovely lines and has the potential to achieve a high level of technical proficiency. She has continued to make positive progress in her ballet training.

Freddie Button

Freddie has made strong progress throughout the year. He is a capable dancer who continues to develop his technical and artistic skills and it has been a pleasure to see his growth over the period.

They have all said how thankful they are for being awarded bursaries for the year and would not have been able to continue their studies at the Central School of Ballet if they had not received that financial support and generosity.



William Campbell



RFA Proteus

Visit to RFA Proteus, Portland Port, Dorset

In May, a small delegation from the Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors had the privilege of visiting **RFA Proteus** at Portland Port, Dorset, including the rare opportunity to spend a night on board.

The party comprised Master David Jinks, Senior Warden Roger Watts, and Court Assistants Gerald Allison, Helen Pickstock, Diane Martin, Mark Larard and Richard Davies. We were warmly received by the ship's company and given an insight into one of the most unusual and strategically significant vessels currently in service with the Royal Fleet Auxiliary, supporting the Royal Navy's efforts to protect the United Kingdom's critical underwater infrastructure.

RFA Proteus is the United Kingdom's first Multi-Role Ocean Surveillance Ship (MROSS), operated by the Royal Fleet Auxiliary. Acquired by the Ministry of Defence in 2023, she was converted to undertake a highly specialised mission: the protection and monitoring of critical underwater infrastructure. The vessel serves as a platform for remotely operated vehicles and other specialist systems used to survey and monitor the seabed, helping safeguard communications cables, energy pipelines and other assets upon which modern society depends.

At 98 metres in length and displacing around 6,000 tonnes, Proteus combines the capabilities of an offshore support vessel with advanced surveillance and survey technology. She is designed to provide the United Kingdom with an enhanced capability to understand and protect activity in the undersea environment, an area of increasing strategic importance.

Our visit began with a detailed tour of the vessel, during which Captain Steven McMenemy and members of the ship's company explained Proteus's unique role. Particularly impressive were the expansive working deck, heavy-lift crane arrangements, specialist launch and recovery systems, and the flexible mission spaces that enable the vessel to adapt rapidly to evolving operational requirements. Unlike traditional naval vessels, Proteus reflects her commercial offshore heritage, providing extensive workspace and accommodation for embarked specialists alongside Royal Fleet Auxiliary and Royal Navy personnel.



What emerged most clearly from the visit was the growing importance of the underwater domain. Recent years have highlighted the vulnerability of seabed infrastructure and the potentially significant consequences of its disruption. Proteus represents a forward-looking response to these challenges, providing the United Kingdom with a capability to investigate, monitor and better understand activity beneath the waves.

The overnight stay gave members a valuable opportunity to experience life on board. Accommodation was comfortable and practical, reflecting the vessel's working role. Informal discussions with members of the ship's company provided a fascinating insight into the professionalism, technical expertise and commitment required to deliver this specialist capability. Members were also delighted to be joined for supper by Captain Martin Jones, who, despite being on leave at the time, generously gave up part of his personal time to meet members of the Company and share his experiences of the vessel and her mission.

The opportunity to spend time with both of the vessel's rotational Masters added significantly to the value of the visit.

The Company is most grateful to Captain Steven McMenemy, Captain Martin Jones, the officers and crew of RFA Proteus for their generous hospitality and willingness to share their knowledge and experience. The visit further strengthened the Company's longstanding links with the maritime sector and provided a timely reminder of the growing importance of maritime security, critical infrastructure protection and national resilience.

Message from Squadron Leader Tom Overton, Officer Command for 7010(VR) Intelligence Squadron.

This year has, so far, been a bit of a whirlwind for 7010(VR) Intelligence Squadron. Our previous, long-serving Officer Commanding – Sqn Ldr Andy Fennell – left the squadron in 2025, after which the OC's post remained gapped for several months. I had left the squadron for a different appointment a year or so before Andy's departure, but needed little persuasion to come back to my old unit as its new boss, a role I am immensely proud to fill and in which I am delighted to continue our association with the WCCS.

Things started quite 'kinetically' for 7010 following the unexpected US air operations over Iran (Operation Epic Fury), which occurred in late February. By happy coincidence, a squadron working weekend was due to take place a few days later, and direction for 7010 Squadron (and its sister squadrons 7006 and 7630) to provide analytical support was immediately received from the RAF's senior Intelligence leadership. What followed was a superb demonstration in analytical capability and the whole force concept: 104 intelligence reservists coalesced around a 7010-led intelligence task to produce fused analytical output, containing both imagery and operational intelligence assessments. The output was prolific, and high quality: over 100 images were subjected to analysis by our reservists, with the resulting products disseminated to senior decision makers, the UK Intelligence Community, partners, and allies. Although much of the squadron's work is usually above secret in classification, on this occasion the output achieved at the lowest classification arguably had the greatest impact: imagery products generated purposefully at OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE were the first to be released from the UK to Gulf Cooperation Council allies, doing much to bolster reputational ties at a point of acute uncertainty. As a result of this work, we and our sister squadrons on the Intelligence Reserves Wing were jointly awarded the 'Inspector's Cup' at the RAuxAF Conference. Certainly a 'proud OC' moment, and testament to the outstanding analysts we have – and not bad for a weekend's work!

It won't be news to any of our friends in the WCCS that the recent Defence Investment Plan did not contain much in the way of good news for those of us who worry about defence budgets. However I can cheerfully report that, despite this, 7010 Squadron is growing: we have gained 25 additional posts (harvested from long-term gapped vacancies in other squadrons), taking our establishment from 97 to 122. This growth is specifically directed toward bolstering our nascent targeting capability, much of the detail of which is above what I am able to write in this missive, but about which I aim to brief you before long. Needless to say that 7010's targeting output is a critical component of this core RAF capability; filling these extra posts is, therefore, my main priority for the remainder of the training year. Outside of this, the squadron continues to deliver on its other work streams: our customers include Air elements in the RAF, Defence Intelligence, and NATO, to name a few.

One of the other objectives I have set myself during my time as OC (which runs for another 3 years) is to grow our links with the WCCS. I was delighted to represent 7010 at your dinner in June, but would like to do more; I am open to any and all suggestions of how I can achieve this!

Military Affiliates



Senioner Warden Stuart Jenkin



CSGT Rob Norton with a Certificate along with Major Simon Weston and Richard Davies

An evening with 135 Geo

Senior Warden Stuart Jenkin represented the Livery at an evening hosted by the Commanding Officer Major Simon Weston at 135 Geographic Squadron Royal Engineers at their barracks in Epsom.
Also attending were the Lord Lieutenant of Surrey Mr Michael More-Molyneux CVO KStJ and local Member of Parliament for Epsom and Ewell, Helen Maguire and Honorary Colonel Dr. Vanessa Lawrence.

The evening was split into three parts. The first was a presentation by Major Weston in how 135 Geo fits into the Ministry of Defence. This was fascinating just seeing the complexity of all the armed forces involved in the MOD but with 135 Geo falling under a major section called the Cyber & Specialist Operations Command. The second part was to visit the trucks that carried all the specialist mapping equipment. When a conflict arises the squadron will be deployed behind the front line to provide hard and up to date maps for all soldiers, which is obviously essential in a rapidly moving environment. The third part was to retire to the bar with pizza and meet and discuss with the reservists their backgrounds and involvement with the Squadron. They have quite a few Chartered Surveyors in their ranks and if being a reservist is something you might be interested in please contact our Clerk, Amanda Keane who will be able to put you in touch with Major Weston.

135 Geo It is the sole Army Reserve unit dedicated to providing specialized military geography and geospatial intelligence (GEOINT) support to all elements of UK Defence. They are based at Epsom, Reading and Wyton.

What is 135 Geographic Squadron (Reserve)?

135 Geographic Squadron forms part of 42 Engineer Regiment (Geographic). It plays a critical role in delivering geospatial intelligence and mapping support to UK Defence. Combining technical expertise with core soldiering skills, the Squadron ensures that its personnel remain ready to deploy alongside Regular Army units in both training and operational environments. Through a blend of tactical exercises, technical courses, and other training opportunities, 135 Geo Sqn continues to demonstrate adaptability, resilience and professionalism.

The WCCS Endeavour Award - The citation for Corporal Jordan Cable is as follows:

CPL Jordan Cable joined 135 Geo Sqn in Jan 24 as a Lance Corporal and quickly became a key enabler within the Squadron. Universally liked and respected, he consistently gives 100% to every task and proactively seeks opportunities to develop both Squadron capability and those around him. A model Junior Non-Commissioned Officer (JNCO), he has transitioned seamlessly from Regular to Reserve service, applying his considerable knowledge and experience to enhance team performance. Recently promoted to the rank of Corporal he balances the roles of Wyton Troop Section Commander, IT Manager and Data Manager with his civilian job and is the Sqn Subject Matter Expert on Geo IT systems. His professionalism, dedication and initiative have helped ensure that the Squadron operational readiness is maintained as evidenced by his role as tech lead for the Squadron Exercise, TECH OWL and leading a team on Exercise AVENGER TRIAD, a NATO deployment with the Allied Rapid Reaction Corps (ARRC).

For an outstanding performance and commitment to the Squadron, 135 Geographic Squadron selected CPL Jordan Cable as the 2025 Endeavour Award winner.

135 Geo Sqn has established communication between our recruiting team and Tish Gauci (former RE Geo officer) at Henley Business School, who delivers the Survey Summer School and has links with WCCS through Clwyd Roberts. This is an early relationship, but we are already exploring potential opportunities for collaboration with our Reading Troop, which is located nearby. Thank you to WCCS for facilitating the introduction.



135 Geo Squadron – Honorary Colonel Vanessa Lawrence CB. Officer in Charge Major Simon Weston and the Winner of this year's Endeavour Award Corporal CPL Jordon Cable, the Master and Lieutenant Commander Richard Davies

Reflection on the last three months within 135 Geo Sqn

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14 July

We hosted Stuart Jenkin, local MP and the Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey for a tour of the Squadron and a briefing on our activities. It was a fantastic evening, rounded off with drinks and pizza in the bar. We are happy to offer this event every year if WCCS are interested.

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July-August

The summer months were relatively quiet due to holidays, but activities included small groups attend a battlefield study focused on the D-Day launch sites across southern England and a climbing expedition to the Dolomites in Italy.

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11-13 September, Ex Green Owl

A fieldcraft training weekend at Longmoor attended by 40 personnel, one of our largest turnouts for a fieldcraft weekend in recent years. The focus was on basic soldiering and combat engineering skills.

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24 September

At the Lord-Lieutenant of Surrey Annual Awards Evening, **CSgt Rob Norton** was awarded the **Meritorious Service Medal** in recognition of his 40 years of service in the Army Reserve.

Supporting the Lady Mayor

What a way to start City Giving Day!

Over 160 people from across the property industry joined The Company for our City Giving Day Property Networking Breakfast, held in partnership with Women in Property South East – making it our biggest breakfast yet! Together we managed to raise circa £2,500 for The Lord Mayor's Appeal.

It was brilliant to see so many people from across the property industry come together to connect, catch up and, most importantly, show their support for City Giving Day, The Lord Mayor's Appeal and the fantastic charitable work it does across the City.

We were honoured to welcome Lady Mayor Dame Susan Langley, alongside David Johnston OBE, Chief Executive of The Lord Mayor's Appeal, and we thank them for joining us and helping make the morning so special. A huge thank you to Women in Property South East for partnering with us once again, and particularly Mamta Kudhail, South East Chair, and Samantha McCabe, National Chair, who travelled down from Scotland to join us for the morning.

It was also wonderful to be joined by fellow Livery Masters Christopher Bicknell, Master of The Worshipful Company of Chartered Architects, and Simon Millar, Master of the Worshipful Company of Feltmakers.

Our thanks also go to Drake & Morgan and The Anthologist for looking after us so well, and to everyone who worked behind the scenes to bring the breakfast together.

And finally, thank you to all of you who showed up and supported the morning. It was a fantastic morning of conversation, connections and support for a great cause – and a brilliant way to start City Giving Day.




CITY
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DAY

Another Active Year of Fellowship

- Installation Dinner
- WCCS Walking Group — North Downs Way, Stage 1: Farnham–Guildford (17.7km/11 miles)
- Trip to St Barts
- Drop in and New Liveryman Drinks
- Masters Informal Lunch
- Theatre Evening — The Producers
- Christmas Fair at Drapers Hall
- Carol Service
- College of Arms
- Formal Lunch at Grocers Hall
- Vintage Port Tasting
- Battersea Power Station Visit (transport planner's perspective)
- Masters Informal Lunch
- WCCS Walking Group — North Downs Way, Stage 2: Guildford–Dorking (21km/13 miles)
- Visit to the Central School of Ballet
- Coutts Drinks Reception
- Have a Go at Clay Shooting
- All Hallows by the Tower
- United Guilds' Service
- WCCS Walking Group — North Downs Way, Stage 3: Dorking–Merstham (16km/10 miles)
- Women's Six Nations Rugby: Red Roses v Ireland
- Big Curry Lunch
- Ceremony of the Keys
- WCCS Walking Group — North Downs Way, Stage 4: Merstham–Oxted (12.8km/8 miles)
- City Food & Drinks Walk with Clwyd Roberts
- GSMD Vocal Competition
- WCCS Fundraising Dinner
- WCCS Walking Group — North Downs Way, Stage 5: Oxted to Otford
- Drop in and New Liveryman Drinks at UKREiiF
- Tour of Old Bailey
- Masters Informal Lunch and Holy Communion
- WCCS Walking Group — North Downs Way, Stage 6: Otford to Cuxton (24.1km/15 miles)
- Summer Dinner at Trinity House
- WCCS Walking Group — North Downs Way, Stage 6: Cuxton–Detling (20.1km/12.5 miles)
- Trip to Greenwich Naval College and the Painted Hall
- Summer London Walk
- Walking Group Summer Social
- WW1 Gallery at the Imperial War Museum

















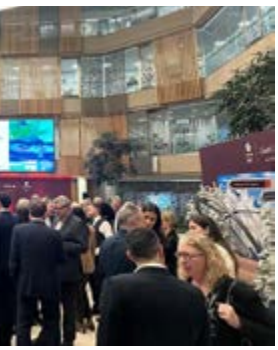




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Feedback on Digest and Communication

We actively encourage feedback on all forms of communications with our Liverymen, whether by email, monthly digest, Surveyors Livery Life, LinkedIn, our website, functions and social events. This is your Company and we welcome comments or ideas about how we might improve. Our objective is to try and reduce the number of communications and when we do communicate, to make it impactful, easy to understand and appropriately targeted.

Visit to RFA Proteus May 2026





A Year in the Chair

Reflections as Master or I came, I saw, I dined!

For my year I had some clear ambitions, to build on the excellent work of those who had gone before me, strengthen the fellowship within the Company, support our charitable and educational objectives and ensure that we continued to demonstrate the relevance of Chartered Surveyors – not only to our profession, but to the wider community.



Master's David Jinks Farewell Summer Lunch 26

> **"As I look back on my year as Master, I am struck by just how much happens in twelve months."**

What I underestimated was the sheer variety of experiences that the role would bring. There have been formal dinners and Court meetings, visits, services, fundraising events, educational initiatives and opportunities to represent the Company. But above all, there have been people – Liverymen, their partners, students, beneficiaries, fellow Masters, professional colleagues and friends. It is those relationships that will be my strongest memory of the year.

One of the things I have particularly valued is the opportunity to see the Company from a different perspective. It is easy to think of a Livery Company principally in terms of dinners, ceremonies and tradition. These are important, and they provide the framework through which we enjoy fellowship and maintain our links with the City.

Our profession has an important role to play in society and Chartered Surveyors influence the places in which people live, work and learn, the development and management of property, investment, infrastructure and the environment. Through our charitable work and support for education, we can also make a difference to the next generation.

During the year we have continued to develop that purpose. We welcomed a new Clerk, developed a new business plan and commenced the strengthening of the governance of our charitable activities with the new CIO. These may not always be the most visible achievements of a Master's year, but they are important foundations for the future.

Education has been one of the most rewarding aspects of the year. Our bursary scheme provides a tangible example of the difference that the Company can make. Meeting the students and hearing about their ambitions is a useful reminder that behind every bursary is an individual with hopes, challenges and opportunities ahead of them. The support provided by our sponsors and Liverymen is enormously important. It is not simply financial assistance; it is an expression of confidence in young people entering our profession. I have also particularly enjoyed our engagement with organisations outside the traditional boundaries of surveying. Our visit to the Central School of Ballet was a wonderful example. It provided an opportunity to see the commitment, discipline and talent of young people pursuing a very different profession, while also reminding us of the broader role that education and opportunity play in society.

Some of the most memorable moments of the year have also been those that took us beyond the City; Our visit to the Menin Gate in Ypres and the Last Post ceremony was particularly poignant. Standing amongst the names of those who gave their lives and hearing the Last Post provided a powerful reminder of sacrifice and service. It is easy, particularly in the busy world in which we operate, to become focused on the immediate. Ceremonies such as this give us an opportunity to pause and remember the generations who came before us. They also reinforce something that runs throughout Livery life: the importance of service. We are fortunate to belong to an organisation with such a long history, but that history carries responsibilities as well as privileges; the Summer Livery Dinner at Trinity House provided an opportunity to reflect on the year to date and on the continuing importance of the Livery movement within the City.

The wider network of the City of London is something I have come to appreciate even more during my year in office and the opportunity to meet fellow Livery Companies and Masters. Each Company has its own traditions and history, but there is a shared commitment to fellowship, charity and service; to build friendships that I hope will continue long after my year as Master has ended.

Looking back, however, the events themselves are not what I will remember most.

I will remember conversations, the enthusiasm of our students and beneficiaries, the generosity of our sponsors, the commitment of our committees and the good humour of Liverymen at dinners and events. Also the support of the Wardens, Court and liverymen, and the enormous amount of work undertaken behind the scenes by our Clerk and friendship of the Past Masters.

Every Master is conscious that their year is temporary. The role belongs to the Company, not to the individual who occupies it. That is both the privilege and the responsibility of the position.

My aim has been to leave the Company in a stronger position for the future – building on our traditions while ensuring that we remain relevant to a changing profession and changing City.

The new business plan provides an important framework for that future. It is encouraging to see the Company thinking not just about the next year, but about what we want to be over the next decade and beyond.

But I leave my year as Master with considerable confidence. We have committed Liverymen who care deeply about the Company. We have a strong charitable purpose. We have young people coming through who are ambitious and talented. We have a professional identity that remains highly relevant. And, importantly, we have a willingness to look forward rather than simply look back. When I took the chair, I knew I was taking on an important responsibility. What I did not fully appreciate was just how much I would learn, how many people I would meet and how many memories would be created along the way.

A Master's year passes remarkably quickly. There is always another dinner, another meeting and another responsibility just around the corner. Then suddenly, it is time to hand over the chain.

I do so with enormous pride in the Worshipful Company of Chartered Surveyors and gratitude to everyone who has supported me, and optimism for the years ahead.

I hope that, in some small way, I have left the Company a little stronger than I found it.

Perhaps most importantly, I hope that I have enjoyed the privilege as much as everyone else has endured having me as Master! It has been an honour – and one that my wife and I shall remember for the rest of our lives.

The Court & Committees

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