

CLC looks for new co-chair

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The Construction Leadership Council (CLC) is looking for a new co-chair as Andy Mitchell is stepping down.

Andy will leave the post in Spring.

Accordingly, the CLC has put up a job application for his replacement, and an accompanying description.

The CLC said the primary function of the Co-Chair is to provide leadership and strategic direction to the Council, facilitate the operations and deliberations of the Council and lead the Council's functions and responsibilities under its mandate.

The role will need someone with an excellent understanding of the industry and its challenges and be able to represent the industry as a whole – from large to SME, design to aftercare, including specific issues such as building safety.

The CLC added Andy's replacement must be a champion for industry change and promote inclusion, diversity and improving the image of industry, as well as understand future trends and requirements to address industry change, such as sustainability, innovation, productivity and skills.

The deadline is 31 March.

Andy was appointed in October 2018 and has since guided the sector through the considerable challenges of Covid-19 while establishing the CLC as a powerful and recognised driver of change for the sector.

Announcing his decision to step down Andy said: “I am extremely proud of what we have achieved together in the last 3 years, and it is clear that not only did we play a major role in leading the industry through the pandemic but in the process we have managed to get a unity and coherence in the industry not seen before – and we are now with credibility and confidence laying out plans for the industry’s development in the future. With a little over 18 months to go before we start commissioning on Tideway, it is right that I now dedicate my full focus to the project, but I wish the CLC the very best for the future.”

CLC Co-chair Lee Rowley MP said: “On behalf of the CLC and the Government I want to express our thanks to Andy for the extraordinary commitment that he has provided to the CLC for the past three years. His leadership of the Council through one of the toughest challenges that the industry has faced has been exemplary and has set UK construction on a positive course for the future.”

Priority work the CLC in 2022 includes Construct Zero, Building Safety, meeting the Skills Challenge, and implementing the Construction Playbook.