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## Construction - October 2021

Whilst we are still dealing with the effects of the COVID 19 pandemic, Brexit and supply issues are a major problem for the industry at the moment which are leading to delays and increased costs.

Our bulletin includes some recent blogs relating to these issues and others which are affecting the industry.

If you wish to discuss anything covered in this edition, please do not hesitate to contact me or one of our construction team. We also have a range of different feeing options available for adjudications, which include fixed fee options, depending on the nature of the adjudication.

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### INSIGHT

## Economic Duress clarified by the Supreme Court

Commercial negotiations can be unfair. One party often has greater economic strength. It can bring to bear pressures which compel the other party to agree to something that it may not have agreed to if these pressures had been absent.

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## Employment Law COVID-19 Round Up

Our monthly employment law round up of the COVID-19 news you may have missed, to include an update on the Information Commissioner's Office's approach during the pandemic, compulsory vaccination for care home staff, ACAS survey and staff cuts.

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### AWARENESS

## How can construction businesses work with their supply chains to minimise disputes?

For over a year now, we have seen how coronavirus has had a vast impact on the construction industry - from disturbances to both the supply and production of materials needed for projects, to the suspension and closure of sites during lockdowns. A reliable and organised supply chain is crucial for the smooth and timely progression of projects.

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### FEATURE

## COP26 & Green Economy

In part two of our chat with SRUC, Chris Harte asks Prof Powell what opportunities exist for Scotland in the 3-5 years following COP26 - due to take place in Glasgow shortly.

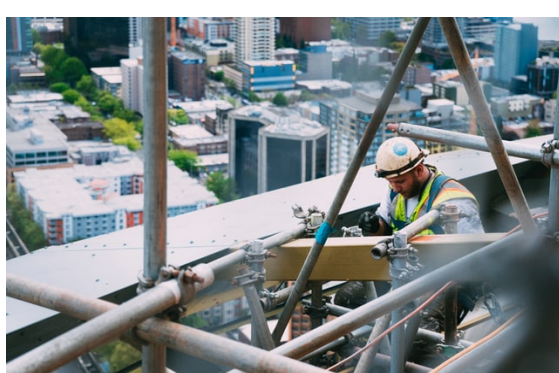
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## Delay in construction projects - New 15 week blog series

Our third blog series will be looking at delays in construction projects and the legal issues surrounding this common problem.

We hope that you shall follow this weekly series on our website which starts on Tuesday 26 October.



## Right to work after Brexit

David Hossack and business immigration expert Stuart McWilliams discuss in this podcast what an employer should do if they identify a member of staff who has missed the deadline for applying for status after Brexit.

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## The race to plug skills gaps

Scotland's long term economic prospects may well depend on its ability to plug a skills gap. The skills agenda is no longer nebulous to businesses, nor the preserve of a few sectors – this is something creeping up on all of us.

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