



Newsletter

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Welcome

Welcome to our second newsletter of 2026, with updates on CWCT activity and opportunities to engage with our work.

Membership

Membership remains very healthy, with new applications received regularly. Thank you for your continued support.

Membership gives access to CWCT publications, including our growing Technical Note series, discounts on courses and events, and direct access to the CWCT team. Your enquiries help us identify topics and themes for future guidance, so please continue to use this key Member benefit.

Please ensure we hold up-to-date contact details for your company, as all communications are sent by email. If you are unsure what records we hold, please [get in touch](#).

Membership terms and conditions, plus the 'Member of CWCT' logo and usage guidance, are available via the [Cladding Forum](#).

CWCT Update

We are pleased to welcome three new Sponsors to CWCT: NorDan, Saint-Gobain and Siderise. We look forward to working with them to support positive change across the industry.



Our new Sponsors

Thank you also to another Sponsor, Schüco, for recently hosting the CWCT team for training at their Partner Academy. Read more [here](#).



The CWCT team training at Schüco

We welcome opportunities like this to engage with and learn from our Members – [please get in touch](#) if you would like to host us for an event.



Communication

Clear communication and information sharing remain central to our work, covering CWCT activity, guidance and wider industry updates.

Our new [CWCT LinkedIn company page](#) now has over 2,000 followers. Please follow, like, share and comment on our posts to help increase visibility and engagement.



Follow our new LinkedIn page

LinkedIn gives us a strong platform to highlight CWCT activity and guidance, and we will continue developing this over the coming months.

Please also check the [Latest News](#) section of the CWCT website and sign up for monthly email updates.



Sign up for the latest news from CWCT

CWCT AGM and Members' Meeting

Our 2026 AGM will be held on Thursday 24th

September. [Bookings are now available](#) and the event is booking quickly, so please secure your place soon.

This year's key themes are sustainability, fire, and technology and innovation.

The sustainability session will focus on refurbishment, including drivers, risk management and technical challenges. The fire session will explore façade fire

assessments with a panel of experts, following the development of our latest fire Technical Note.

We will also consider how innovation is changing the façade industry, including the opportunities, risks and challenges it presents.

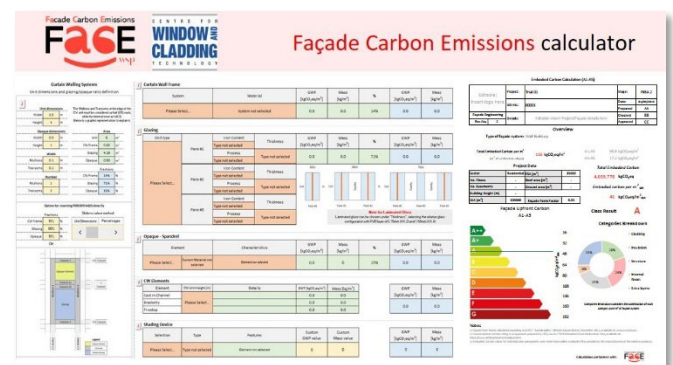
We will also follow up last year's powerful presentation on mental health in construction, recognising that people are central to everything we do.

A draft programme is available [here](#).

A review of our 2025 AGM is available [here](#), with recordings and handouts available to Members via the [Cladding Forum](#).

Sustainability

Our façade embodied carbon calculation tool, FaCE, was launched last year and is available to CWCT Members via the [Cladding Forum](#). We want it to become the industry standard tool.



Our embodied carbon calculation tool

Two [webinars](#) introducing FaCE are now available, covering the basic functionality, reporting and worked examples. We have also published our first 'How to' guide via the [Cladding Forum](#). Please share feedback through this [short survey](#) to help us improve the tool and supporting guidance.



We now have three [Spotlight Series](#) courses covering key aspects of embodied carbon, including life cycle framework, data and calculations.

Please continue to share FaCE results with us so we can build benchmark embodied carbon ranges for different façade systems.

We are also planning a new CWCT Membership tier focused on sustainability. Aimed particularly at sustainability consultants and early-stage design teams, it will make our sustainability guidance more accessible to a wider part of the industry and support a more consistent approach to complex subjects such as façade embodied carbon.



CWCT Sustainability Membership

Our Refurbishment Guide has been extensively peer reviewed and updated and will be launched at the AGM. It provides a strategic overview of façade refurbishment. Thank you to all those involved, particularly Hugh McGilvery from Eckersley O'Callaghan, who led the Workstream.



Our upcoming Refurbishment Guide

We are updating the Embodied Carbon Methodology to align with the latest [RICS](#) guidance and welcome feedback, particularly from sustainability consultants incorporating the methodology into whole building analysis and contractors carrying out as-built calculations. Please [get in touch](#).

Please continue to submit your [Sustainability Stories](#) so we can showcase good practice, highlight your work and inspire others.

CWCT Technical News

We recently met with our Technical Committee to discuss current and future work, helping ensure our guidance reflects industry priorities.

We have recently published two Technical Notes completing our interfaces series, following TN78 *Interfaces and joints – Introduction*:

- **TN118 *Interfaces and joints – Performance***,
- **TN119 *Interfaces and joints – Procurement***.

Interfaces are often challenging and can be a common source of issues, making these Technical Notes essential reading.

A webinar introducing these Technical Notes, along with **TN117 *Breather membranes and vapour control layers in walls***, will be held at 12:30 on Wednesday 9th September. [Please click here](#) for details and booking.

We are also pleased to announce publication of **TN115 *Fire performance of facades – Application to curtain walling***, completing the series replacing TN98. Curtain wall fire performance is complex, and TN115 aims to support a more consistent assessment approach while encouraging further discussion and research.

A webinar on TN115 will be arranged soon. Other webinars can be viewed on the [website](#).



CWCT Courses

Our 2026 programme of short courses remains [available to book](#).

Alongside our [standard course programme](#), we have introduced six shorter [Spotlight Series](#) courses, which are already proving popular.

All courses include an assessment, which must be completed successfully to receive a CPD certificate and help demonstrate competence.

If you have suggestions for future courses, please [get in touch](#).

CWCT Test Witnessing Service

CWCT can once again arrange for a representative to attend CWCT Standard for Systemised Building Envelopes testing at accredited UK test facilities.

[Please get in touch](#) for further information.

We look forward to welcoming current students back in October and continue to develop a restructured course for 2027.

Please look out for further updates and continue to support the course.

Thank you again for your continued support of CWCT. As always, if you have comments on our work, [please get in touch](#).

David Metcalfe
Director
August 2026



MSc in Façade Engineering

It was great to attend the recent graduation ceremony and celebrate the achievements of our students.



Summer graduation