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Notes from Bristol Brexit Conference

1. Housing

- a. Maximise the news that L & G has entered the housing sector (Marcoms Forum)
- b. Quash negative myths surrounding the offsite sector (Marcoms Forum)
- c. Promote the benefits of offsite construction and in particular the advantages when it comes to skills shortages (Marcoms Forum)
- d. Only collaborative working will provide the additional housing we need. NOTE: Housing Summit on 13th October will cover this
- e. A connected procurement route is essential (Procurement Forum already dealing with this issue and has recently launched two guides to assist)

2. Skills

- a. The problem of skills shortages already existed before Brexit so not new
- b. Major priority is to attract people into our industry. NOTE: Adopt a School campaign already in place to address this
- c. Training and up-skilling is essential but this is already widely understood with various industry initiatives addressing it
- d. Promote offsite construction to improve our image and therefore encourage more new entrants (Marcoms Forum)

3. Procurement

- a. The Procurement Forum needs to offer advice on how to procure during periods of uncertainty (Procurement Forum)
- b. Clients need to be viable by showing the supply chain its pipeline (CCG)
- c. The Procurement Forum already has many of the answers within its current guidance and this needs to be promoted and disseminated (Marcoms Forum)
- d. Total openness and transparency is required (CESW main principles)

4. Productivity

- **a.** Link what we do with planning (which is slow). NOTE: The CESW checklist to be launched in September will cover aspects of this
- **b.** Link with devolution to be explored and lean processes to be included wherever possible (CCG)
- **c.** Lack of skills/labour requires us to look at current capacity and make it leaner. NOTE: Forthcoming Productivity Challenge half day conferences will cover this
- **d.** Offsite needs to be considered on all occasions (Notes seem to suggest an Offsite Conference is required by CESW members & supporters)

Kind Regards,

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