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## Show Me The Money - A Guide To Payment Under the New Construction Act & Resolving Contractual Payments

The speakers at this event will be: Keith Blizzard and Rachael Hobbis

### Keith Blizzard, Partner, Shakespeares

Keith is a partner at Shakespeares and a Chartered Quantity Surveyor, Chartered Builder, Chartered Arbitrator, Panel Adjudicator, Accredited Mediator, Forensic Surveyor and lecturer in Construction Law.

He has extensive pre and post contract experience on building projects and detailed working knowledge of a wide range of standard forms of main and sub-contract conditions.

Keith is an approved Tutor of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a Visiting Lecturer in Construction Law at several Universities in the UK and Europe. He is Chairman of the West Midlands Branch of the CI Arb, a Past Chairman of the West Midlands Arbitration Club and serves on the Regional Boards of the RICS and CIOB and the Standing Committee of the Association of Midland Mediators.



Keith's professional experience of the construction process from inception to completion of a project and his expertise in avoiding and resolving disputes can be applied to assist construction professionals, contractors and sub-contractors during the construction phase of live projects to ensure the client's position is not compromised by their actions, to avoid disputes or to resolve disputes as they arise.

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### Rachael Hobbis, Solicitor, Shakespeares

Rachael joined our construction team as a solicitor in January 2008 specialising in both contentious and non contentious construction law. She has particular experience in the procurement of projects including drafting construction contracts, assignment and novation agreements and collateral warranties.

Rachael also regularly deals with all forms of dispute resolution including court proceedings, mediation and adjudication and has experience representing parties in statutory adjudications leading to her first reported case Avoncroft Construction Limited v Sharba Homes (CN) Limited in 2008.

She is a past Vice-Chairman of the Midlands Branch of Women in Property and was responsible for setting up the Birmingham Young Construction Professionals Group. Rachael currently sits as a committee member for the Black Country Constructing Excellence Club and Women Working In Construction group.



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