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REGIONAL MEMBER UPDATE 2026

Nine regions. One growing community.

A snapshot of regional activity, committee leadership and what is coming next across the Adjudication Society.

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REGIONAL COMMITTEES	EVENTS IN 2026 TO DATE	MORE EVENTS AHEAD

REGIONAL LEADERSHIP HANDOVER

After two years as Regional Coordinator, **Carly Thorpe** will move into the role of Chair in November 2026. **Nasir Khan MBE** will become Regional Coordinator from November 2026.

Inside this update

- Committee contacts for every region
- Highlights from the 2026 programme
- LinkedIn links for regions with dedicated pages
- Forthcoming activity, including events in November 2026 and January 2027

Y YORKSHIRE

REGIONAL COMMITTEE

- Tom Wilson — Norse Consulting
- David Maclellan — Walker Morris LLP
- Simon Banwell — ERConsult
- Grainne Wood — DAPS Project Management
- Jason Sharp — Overford
- James Collis — JCS Project Services

2026 HIGHLIGHT

The committee recently hosted a panel event discussing strategies for the use of AI in adjudication. Earlier in the year, it hosted the popular "You are the Ref!": a dramatised case study where the audience voted live on every twist of an adjudication.

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W WEST MIDLANDS

REGIONAL COMMITTEE

- Lisa Rushton — Overford
- Jessica Whiston — Pyments
- Sam Wallis — Gowling WLG
- Priya Kale — Anthony Collins
- Duane Butler — Techsmart Services
- Sarah Woolham-Jaffier — National Grid

2026 HIGHLIGHT

The committee has hosted a panel discussion on adjudication under the NEC Contract, a mock adjudication and an adjudication quiz. A further event is planned for January 2027, with details to follow.

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L — LONDON AND THE SOUTH EAST

REGIONAL COMMITTEE

- Richard Booth — HFW
- Douglas James — Crown Office Chambers
- Claire King — Fenwick Elliott
- Mark Mills — J.S. Held
- Theresa Mohammed — Trowers & Hamlins

2026 HIGHLIGHT

The committee delivered popular interactive events for members this year, including a mock adjudication and a workshop on jurisdictional challenges.

N — NORTH WEST

REGIONAL COMMITTEE

- Crystal Jenkins — Overford
- Tom Francis — Ankura
- Steven Woolnough — Decipher
- Will Parker — Brabners

2026 HIGHLIGHT

In June, the committee hosted Dr Aleksander Godhe of King's College London for an insightful talk on domestic and international adjudication, and the future of construction dispute resolution and beyond.

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S SCOTLAND

REGIONAL COMMITTEE

- Neil Kelly — MFMac
- Corrinne McLeish — HKA
- Gavin Thomson — MFMac

2026 HIGHLIGHT

Each year, the Scottish Region continues its tradition of inviting an eminent Scots lawyer to deliver an Annual Case Law Update.

R REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

REGIONAL COMMITTEE

- Jarleth Heneghan — William Fry
- Eamonn Conlon SC — Senior Counsel
- Clare Cashin — Philip Lee LLP
- Alan Brady BL — Law Library
- Alison Carroll — McCann Fitzgerald
- Damien Keogh — Ministers Panel of Adjudicators

2026 HIGHLIGHT

The committee hosted an Adjudication Conference in May 2026 on “The Construction Contracts Act 2013: What Does the Future Hold?” On 4 November 2026 it will host the interactive “Enter the Shark Tank”, where adjudication ideas will be pitched for digestion or rejection by a panel of ruthless sharks.

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SOUTH WEST AND WALES

REGIONAL COMMITTEE

- Trevor Drury — Morecraft Drury
- Simon Yates — Rowfield Consulting
- Leigh Belasco — Belasco Associates
- Sean Gibbs — Hanscomb International
- Huw Wilkins — Fenwick Elliott LLP
- Christopher Thomas — Secretariat International
- Daniel Shaw — Secretariat International

2026 HIGHLIGHT

The committee has hosted joint events with Ciarb, including a talk from Mr Justice Jefford providing judicial insights into topical adjudication and construction law issues.

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NORTHERN IRELAND

REGIONAL COMMITTEE

- Nouman Qadir
- William Broen — Fortfield & Brown Limited

2026 HIGHLIGHT

A new Regional Committee was established in October 2026 and is already planning its first event.

E EAST ANGLIA

REGIONAL COMMITTEE

- Edward Carolan — Lindford Consulting
- Jessica Garrod — Archor
- Lawrence Pearce — Holmes & Hills LLP

2026 HIGHLIGHT

The committee hosted its first event in May 2026, "Through the Eyes of the Adjudicator": an informal in-person discussion with adjudicator Chris Harrall.

GET INVOLVED LOCALLY

Connect with your regional committee, attend an event and help shape the Society's programme for 2027.