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CIC produces Election Manifesto for the Built Environment

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) has produced a Manifesto for prospective parliamentary candidates setting out the need for investment in the built environment.

The CIC Manifesto highlights two areas in which construction is paramount - stimulating investment and delivering the low carbon economy.

Responsible for 8% of GDP, the construction industry employs 2.8 million people. This dynamic sector of the economy can be a major catalyst for stimulating economic growth in that investment in the built environment spreads the benefits of an economic stimulus to all parts of the UK. It is also the major hidden employer in every parliamentary constituency. The back page of the Manifesto sets out ten key points for Politicians to consider.

Graham Watts, Chief Executive of CIC, said, "The construction industry wants to establish in all new Parliamentarians' minds the significance of the construction industry in their constituencies and to work with Government in building prosperity for the future through a programme of carefully targeted investment, maintenance and refurbishment within the context of the challenges offered by a low carbon economy."

Notes to the editor

1. CIC is the representative forum for the professional bodies, research organisations and specialist trade associations in the construction industry. It provides a single voice for professionals in all sectors of the built environment through its collective membership of 560,000 individual professionals and 25,000 firms of construction consultants.

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