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BIOGRAPHY

Lucy is a Senior Associate in the Non-Contentious Construction and Engineering Team. She has experience in providing strategic procurement advice and advising on, drafting and negotiating construction and engineering contracts including industry standard and bespoke form building contracts, professional appointments, development and funding agreements and related documents.

Lucy has acted for developers, funders and institutional investors on a wide range of developments, including infrastructure, office and retail developments and refurbishments as well as a variety of residential and mixed-use projects.

Lucy maintains the tendering and procurement section of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors is urv website.

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