

## CTI media release 11 October 2017

### The Confederation of Timber Industries gets some extra protection with WPA



CTI Board Members at Timber Expo 2017  
In the middle, CTI Chairman Roy Wakeman OBE and WPA Technical Director Gordon Ewbank

The Confederation of the Timber Industries (CTI) Board met and approved an application to join from the Wood Protection Association (WPA).

The paperwork was signed on the CTI stand at Timber Expo amidst a busy agenda of launches and talks for the organisation at UK Construction Week. It marks another important step in the growth of the Confederation and representation for the timber industry supply chain.

Roy Wakeman OBE, Chairman of the CTI stated: *“This is another critical step in ensuring that the timber supply chain effectively unites to provide a common voice and a platform to support collaboration.”*

*“As we look forward to developing our Industrial Strategy we need to be mindful of every stage in our process, improving productivity and innovating our products to ensure they maintain the highest possible performance, health and sustainability credentials. It is great to have the WPA with all the expertise they bring in timber treatment and protection to this forum”.*

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Steve Young, Director of the Wood Protection Association, said: *“We have been watching the CTI going from strength to strength and feel like now is the time to get involved.”*

*“We have an exciting new programme of work focussing on supply chain education and materials health matters, much of it inspired by our already close working relationship with colleagues from the TTF and BWF, it seems a natural fit now to progress this and support the wider work through the CTI.”*

### **Notes to the editor**

The Confederation of Timber Industries (CTI) was launched in 2015 to give a single voice for the timber supply chain. It acts as a “trade association of trade associations” covering the diverse interests of timber producers, processors, importers, wholesalers, manufacturers and merchants.

Find out more at [www.cti-timber.org](http://www.cti-timber.org)

The Wood Protection Association is a technical and advisory organisation dedicated to improving the performance and value of wood as a sustainable construction material. The WPA operates the ‘WPA Benchmark’ third-party quality schemes which verify wood and wood-based panel products are treated correctly by an industrial process to deliver the durability performance required under British Standards.

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