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Construction Minister Nadhim Zahawi MP has issued a call to arms to the sector to lead the UK's recovery from COVID-19

In a speech at Construction Week 2020 the Minister, who is also co-chair of the Construction Leadership Council, said that the industry had shown great resilience following COVID-19 and now had a huge opportunity to build a better industry for the future.

Referencing the Prime Minister's call to "build, build, build", Mr Zahawi said: "That must be our mantra from now on. But with additions: build faster, build better, and build greener.

"We have ambitious plans to kickstart our economy, and more work to do to meet our net zero commitments. And much of that will be done by you. We in Government will support you throughout this transformation.

"Together, we will build a better, greener United Kingdom."

The Construction Leadership Council is to acting to spearhead this positive change in the UK construction industry. Today it launches a new structure to ensure it brings expertise to all parts of the build back better agenda.

The CLC has added new work streams on health safety & wellbeing, as well as a dedicated focus on building safety. Each workstream is headed up by experts from across the sector, with full details available on a refreshed CLC website at https://www.constructionleadershipcouncil.co.uk/.

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Notes to Editors

1. The Construction Leadership Council (CLC) works between industry and government to identify and deliver actions supporting UK construction in building greater efficiency, skills and growth. Click here to visit the CLC website.