

Quantity Surveyors International First Thursday CPD Club Webinar



Title: Precision in Practice: Securing Commercial Integrity with Human-Led Automation

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Time: 0800-0900 UK time

For Quantity Surveyors and Cost Managers, safeguarding Capital expenditure (Capex) and mitigating risk are paramount. Yet traditional manual cost assurance of massive data volumes against complex contracts introduces unseen liabilities and operational fatigue.

Diagnose When commercial teams manually process large datasets or rely on generic digital inputs to draft early warnings, cost reports, or variations, they risk bypassing critical governance. This systemic dysfunction threatens the highly sensitive client-consultant relationship. Misaligned language or missed legal or contractual nuances rapidly degrade trust and expose you to severe commercial risk.

Design We resolve this by architecting bespoke operational structures, integrating policy, tone of voice, and branding guidance, along with our Automated Cost Assurance (APA) tools directly into your workflows. We evaluate your unique corporate policies and embed the rigorous guard rails of specific contract forms, such as NEC4 or JCT, into your digital frameworks.

Our APA tools seamlessly and consistently process vast volumes of cost data against these complex contractual rules. Imagine being able to fully audit 100% of 100,000 cost lines in minutes on the assessment day, not spending weeks doing a sample assessment. Crucially, we design these systems to keep the human-in-the-loop. By eliminating the administrative clutter, we empower your professionals to apply their expertise strictly to critical, high-value decision-making and strategic client advisory.

Deliver We can embed these high-integrity architectures into your business-as-usual operations. Your teams are equipped to produce precise, compliant, and authoritative commercial outputs at unprecedented pace. By eliminating compliance blind spots, protecting delicate client relationships, and augmenting human intelligence with targeted automation, we connect operational productivity directly to measurable commercial ROI.

Optimise your resources and secure your commercial future.

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Martin is the Director of Black Pear Advisory Ltd and a construction 4.0 behavioural advisor. With over 35 years of commercial experience, he served as a Commercial Programme Director for Highways England from 2017 to 2025. Dr. Perks is a Visiting Professor at Birmingham City University, where he focuses on project procurement and commercial management. His doctoral thesis explored developing new procurement models using behavioural economics to enable continuous improvement. Additionally, he serves as a Board Member for the Lean Construction Institute UK.

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