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# ACES

## The Association

ACES, the Association of Chief Estates Surveyors and Property Managers in the Public Sector, represents the chief estates and property management professionals in the public sector throughout the UK.

The Association was formed in 1986 with the amalgamation of two long-standing bodies, ALAVES, the Association of Local Authority Valuers and Estates Surveyors (founded in 1949), and CLAVA, the County Valuers and Land Agents Association (founded in 1908). Until 1995 the amalgamated Association operated under the name of LAVA, the Local Authority Valuers' Association.

## Membership

Membership of ACES is open to the senior estates surveyors and property managers from each local authority or other public sector organisation.

## Meetings

ACES has a very active branch structure with branches covering the whole of England, Scotland and Wales. There is also a Rural Branch for those members involved in rural property management or the work of County Councils.

Most of the work of the Association is carried on in the regular branch meetings held around the country. At a national level there are usually two professional conferences each year and an Annual Meeting. The occasional Study Days on major topics are also open to non-members of the Association.

## Publications

ACES has a full programme of publications of professional interest to the public sector surveyor. The yearbook 'Per Annum' contains up-to-date contact information for all members.

'The Terrier' is the Association's regular journal and is published quarterly. Each year, there are also usually two editions of 'Asset' containing professional papers compiled from ACES conferences and dealing with the latest issues.

## Government liaison

One of the primary roles of ACES is liaison with central government and this is carried out through a variety of means, both informal and formal, such as the DCLG/ACES Working Party and the Valuation Liaison Group.

## Further information and website

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