Examples of previous exam questions

This list is drawn from actual questions asked during previous exam sessions.

Please note that this list is indicative and not exhaustive. Many of the questions asked will be based on your own experience, although you must have theoretical knowledge of the entire syllabus.

- What guidance would you use to inform you about conflicts of interest?
- How would you appoint a contractor?
- How would you put the fee proposal together?
- How did you calculate the lump sum?
- What might overheads consist of?
- What other types of fee proposal and fee calculation options are there?
- How would you charge for mileage?

- What is the role of a landscape architect in JCLI contracts?
- Describe the relationship between a landscape architect and their client
- Is there a difference between that kind of role compared with when you are only instructed by a client to develop a design?

- If you are on site, and need to make a judgement call, do you just follow the client instructions?
- What other considerations might influence what you do?
- Who pays a subconsultant?
- What happens if the sub consultant is asked to change their work?

- When might you expect to prepare an LVIA as part of a planning application?
- Is a landscape visual always part of an application?
- How would you find out if a landscape visual assessment is required?
- How would an LVIA be structured?
- How would you find out what planning policies will impact on a site?
- What authorities might you consider consulting?

- Why is PII important?
- Do you have a QA system?
- What is the role of the Landscape Institute?
- Why is there a Code of Conduct?
- Why is CPD important?

- What is your role as a contract administrator?
- How do you implement changes to the contract?
- How do you agree a price for the changes?
• How would you advise your client if the contractor has told you that the price is going to come in higher?

• What happens at practical completion?
• Please give some examples of what might constitute a ‘defect’
• Please explain liquidated damages

• What are the main planning documents used by local planning authorities?
• What is your experience of planning applications?

• What legal methods are available to you for tree protection?
• How would you manage emergency work and tree protection?
• Have you been involved in replacement planting?

• Please explain how public rights of way might affect your work.
• What process do you need to follow if you want to make a temporary diversion to public rights of way?

• What are the benefits of using a JCLI contract?
• How do you decide which contractors to use?
• How can you maintain the quality of contractors on an ‘approved list’?

• What information do you send out when asked to provide project information?
• You’ve tendered and received responses. The sums in one tender don’t add up, what should you do?
• What should you do if one tender has varied one of the items you’ve specified?