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Areas of expertise

Adam has experience in planning in both the public and private sectors. He has gained a professional understanding of all key areas of the industry, including large-scale infrastructure, mixed-use, residential, commercial and leisure development.

Adam is involved with all aspects of the planning process, from the provision of initial advice to the client to the preparation and submission of applications and the subsequent negotiation of acceptable planning consents. In addition, Adam has gained valuable experience in large and complex infrastructure projects, working with elite teams of professionals to deliver Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects.

Key experience

West Midlands Gateway, West Midlands – Working with Directors, Adam is advising Four Ashes Ltd regarding the Development Consent for a Strategic Rail Freight Interchange on a 300ha site within the Green Belt. Adam's role includes drafting the Alternative Sites Assessment and Mitigation Route Map and advice relating to the mitigation strategy for the Environmental Statement

North Kensington Gate, London – This is a 210-unit residential-led regeneration project, including a new 22-storey tower. From inception to obtaining the detailed planning permission, Adam's role has been to balance the requirements of the client, the Greater London Authority and newly formed Old Oak and Park Royal Development Corporation to deliver a workable scheme. As part of this project, Adam managed the multi-disciplinary team of consultants, represented the client at public consultation events, drafted many key application documents and managed the submission of the complex planning application. Post-submission, Adam helped negotiated positive and commercial planning conditions and S106 obligations and represented the project at a successful Planning Committee.

Key projects

West Midlands Interchange, West Midlands

North Kensington Gate, London
Hinkley Point C Nuclear Power Station, Somerset

Lewisham Gateway, London

Southbank Centre's ongoing artistic and cultural installations and programming

The Former TRL Site, Crowthorne
Northern Line Extension, London
Stevenage, Sheffield

B&Q TradePoint Mezzanine, Nation-wide

Key clients

Southbank Centre

Grosvenor

East Thames Group

Aurora Properties

Living Architecture

Muse Development

Legal & General

Transport for London

Kilbride Group

Underbelly



Lewisham Gateway, London – This project involved submitting and managing numerous reserved matters, discharge of condition and non-material amendments applications relating to the ongoing mixed-use redevelopment of a strategic site in Lewisham Town Centre. This complex scheme involved the creation of a new road layout, up to 800 new homes, shops, restaurants and leisure facilities, as well as the realignment and opening up of rivers and the creation of a new park.

Southbank Centre, London – For over five years Adam has provided advice regarding the Southbank Centre Estates planning strategy and ongoing artistic installations and festival. This involves directly advising on some of London's most innovative artistic installations, managing stakeholders and submission, and negotiation of numerous time-sensitive planning, listed building and advertisement applications. While advising the Southbank Centre, Adam has achieved planning permission for unique installations by internationally renowned artists including Carsten Höller, Jeremy Deller, and Jeppe Hein.

Hinkley Point C, Application for a Development Consent Order (EDF Energy) - Adam assisted in the preparation of the Development Consent Application for the new nuclear power station at Hinkley Point C. Adam's role involved assisting with the preparation of key application documents including, the Alternative Sites Assessment, EIA policy sections and drafting Planning Statements for the eight associated development sites. His role has also included co-ordinating and managing the Statement of Common Ground with the Local Authorities, policy and application monitoring.

Northern Line Extension TWAO Inquiry (Transport for London) – Adam provided planning advice to TfL on the enabling works for the Northern Line Extension project. Adam's role included advising on the projects relationship with local policy across three London boroughs and assisting with the preparation and submission of associated TCPA applications.

The Former TRL Site, Crowthorne (Legal and General) – Adam contributed to the planning strategy and application for this major residential-led masterplan, which includes the provision of extensive physical and community infrastructure. His role in this project covers engagement in the local plan process, research to inform the strategic planning approach, preparation of key application documents and co-ordination of the submission.

B&Q, TradePoint Mezzanine - Adam helped to manage the drafting, submission and negotiation of numerous applications for new mezzanines within existing B&Q stores throughout the UK.