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Areas of expertise

John takes responsibility for a number of the larger projects handled by Quod and often manages substantial consultant teams on behalf of major clients. He is an experienced expert witness and has given evidence on more than 100 occasions at planning inquiries, in the High Court and other tribunals.

John has been closely involved in formulating planning policy as an advisor to the Government on the preparation of the National Planning Policy Framework, the NPPG, reforms to CIL and in relation to Local Plans.

Key experience

Stratford City – Lead consultant in securing planning consent for the Stratford City project in the London Borough of Newham, comprising approximately 5,000 dwellings (the Olympic Village), 500,000 sqm offices and around 200,000 sqm retail floorspace and mixed community and education uses (Chelsfield, Stanhope, Lend Lease, Westfield, LCR and the ODA).

Brent Cross Cricklewood – Strategic adviser and lead consultant on the mixed-use regeneration.

Kings Cross – Strategic advice and reserved matters applications for the mixed-use regeneration of the former rail lands (Argent).

Southall Gasworks – Strategic planning advice for the regeneration of Southall Gasworks (National Grid and Berkeley).

Harlow – Planning adviser on the 1,000 acre northern expansion of Harlow (Land Securities and Places for People).

Thameslink – Strategic planning witness for Network Rail on the re-opened Thameslink inquiry.

Heathrow – Planning adviser on the 3rd runway.

Key projects

Alconbury
Bank Station
Bluewater
Brent Cross Cricklewood
Cambridge Airport
Croydon
Earls Court
Genome Campus
Gilston
Harwell Science Campus
Heathrow Airport
Hinkley Point C
Kings Cross
London City Airport
Merry Hill
Northern Line Extension
Shell Centre
Sizewell C
Stansted Airport
Stratford City
Thames Tideway
West Midlands SRFI

Key clients

Argent
Berkeley
Brookfield Europe
Canary Wharf



York Potash – Strategic advisor on the policy and need case for the UK's largest new mine.

Silvertown Tunnel – Strategic advisor to support preparation of the DCO (TfL).

Genome Campus – planning adviser on securing planning permission for the expansion of the campus to provide 1m sq. ft life sciences floorspace and 1,500 campus related homes.

Begbroke Science Park – adviser to Oxford University Development for expansion of the park and c.2,000 related homes.

Cambridge Airport – advising on relocation and redevelopment to secure an allocation and permission for c. 9,000 homes and 9,000 jobs.

West Midlands Interchange – successful DCO consent for c.10m sq. ft of rail related warehousing in the south Staffordshire Green Belt.

Legal & General – 1,000 home consent in Bracknell Forest District.

Shell Centre – lead consultant and planning witness for the residential and commercial redevelopment of the Shell Centre at Waterloo (Canary Wharf and Qatari Diar).

Merry Hill Regional Shopping Centre – Securing the re-designation as a strategic town centre, including policy support for an additional 100,000 sqm retail floorspace (Chelsfield and Westfield).

Croydon – adviser and CPO witness for Westfield and Hammerson on the regeneration of Croydon town centre.

EDF Energy – Strategic and planning advice and witness for EDF Energy on its DCO applications for new nuclear power stations at Hinkley Point C and at Sizewell C .

Thames Tideway Tunnel – Planning advisor and witness for the TTT DCO application.

Chelsfield Plc

Delancy

EDF Energy

Grosvenor

Heathrow Airport

Hammerson Plc

Home Office

Land Securities

Lend Lease

Legal & General Assurance

London City Airport

Oxford University Development

Places for People

Pinewood Studios

Port of Bristol

Prologis

Stanhope Plc

Standard Life

Thames Water

Westfield

Wellcome Trust