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Areas of expertise

Sean is an accomplished project manager responsible mainly for large, infrastructure and mixed use proposals. He focuses on providing advice for Developers and Operators with particular areas of expertise in strategic planning policy, environmental impact assessment, airport planning and retail planning, including complex mixed-use town centre proposals. Recent project experience includes coordinating major planning Applications. Sean has also acted as an expert witness on a number of occasions.

Key experience

St Pancras Hospital – Planning advisor for the NHS Trust and Argent in respect of proposals for the re-use of a historic building on edge of Kings Cross.

Camden Goods Yard – Planning advisor for One Housing Group in respect of Estate Regeneration proposals. Quod led the Options Appraisal, assessing all options for future redevelopment with residents being a central factor in deciding a way forward.

Earls Court – Lead consultant for a new planning application for one of London's most strategically important development opportunities. The masterplan, which covers 40 acres in central London, will comprise new homes, employment, cultural and community spaces.

Bacton Low Rise – Expert witness instructed by Camden Council for CPO of leasehold interests in housing regeneration project. The CPO was an essential to the implementation of Camden Council's 15 year Community Investment Programme.

Olympic Legacy (Delancey and Lend Lease) – Lead consultant for the preparation and coordination of planning applications for East Village at Stratford, East London.

Key projects

Station Hill, Reading
Bluewater
Shell Centre, Waterloo
Chobham Manor
Bacton Low Rise
Silvertown Quays
East Village

Key clients

London Borough of Camden
London City Airport
St George
Lend Lease
Greater London Authority
Land Securities
Stanhope
First Base
London and Quadrant
Taylor Wimpey
Canary Wharf Group
Delancey
One Housing Group



London City Airport – Lead consultant and expert witness at Planning and CPO inquiries for detailed purposes for new terminals and infrastructure.

Old Post Office, Kingston – Lead consultant for proposals for new shops, 380 homes and the refurbishment of listed buildings in Kingston town centre.

Shell Centre, Waterloo – Planning advisor for leading team on behalf of the Canary Wharf Group and Qatari Diar for the redevelopment of the Shell Centre to provide 8 buildings ranging from 5 to 37 storeys including up to 877 homes.

North Quay Canary Wharf – Lead consultant for major mixed use scheme including 158,000m² of offices and 1,423 homes.

Heathrow Airport – Planning advisers for the Third Runway proposals which include major new infrastructure, relocation of existing land-uses, roads, water courses and will involve compulsory acquisition.

Olympics CPO – Retained expert witness for compensation cases at Lands Tribunal, including Section 17 applications and appeals.

Silvertown Quays – Lead consultant for planning applications for a new brand, office and residential destination in the Royal Docks, East London. The proposals have involved over 10 architectural practices and will deliver over 2,500 new homes and 20,000 new jobs.

Bluewater Shopping Centre, Kent – Retained planning advisors on strategic and asset management projects.

Sheffield New Retail Quarter – Expert witness on behalf of Sheffield City Council and Hammerson Plc promoting the acquisition of a large part of Sheffield City Centre.

Bromley by Bow CPO – Expert witness acting on behalf of a local land owner to object to the CPO by the London Development Agency.