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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 and acting as an expert witness on a number of occasions.

Key experience

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

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.

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

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.

Bacton Low Rise – expert witness for CPO of leasehold interests in housing regeneration project.

Key projects

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

Key clients

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 Borough of Camden



Camden Goods Yard – Planning advisor for One Housing Group in respect of Estate Regeneration proposals.

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.

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

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.