

A Quod profile



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Areas of expertise

Since completing his MSc in Urban and Regional Development at Cardiff University, Adam has gained vital experience over his years in the property industry and enjoys his role as a Senior Planner at Quod.

He has been involved in a wide range of projects since he joined in 2014 but now spends the majority of his time specialising in retail and industrial planning. His work currently involves providing clear and concise planning advice, writing retail impact assessments, and preparing detailing applications, including planning statements for a range of sites nationwide. This work is on behalf of a spectrum of clients.

Despite a focus in retail and industrial land across the country, Adam also leads projects across a number of sectors including residential and mixed-use office-led projects in Central London. He has also previously had roles in infrastructure projects such as Heathrow Airport and Sizewell Nuclear Power Station.

Key experience

DPK Management – Adam has recently led and assisted on two London-based applications progressed by DPK comprising of a 116 unit development BtR development and mixed-use office led proposal in Central London.

Travis Perkins – Forming part of a small team which acts as a retained consultant for Travis Perkins, Adam advises on and prepares a large number of applications for TP. The sites are located nationwide and are in a range of sizes and formats. Over the years he has become familiar with his client's operation and requirements.

Savills Investment Management – on-going involvement in advising on potential development opportunities and continually progressing applications for retail proposals to maximize the value of existing assets

Key projects

Kennington Lane, London
The Hub, Birmingham
Seaforth Place, London
Travis Perkins, Exeter

Key clients

Travis Perkins Plc
TJ Morris Limited
DPK Management Limited
Quadrant Real Estate
Equation Properties
Savills Investment Management
Pradera Limited
FI Real Estate Management



Home Bargains – Adam forms part of a small retained consultant team who play a key role in the planning for the entirety of Home Bargains' portfolio. His role involves providing advice on and preparing specialist retail applications for new Home Bargains stores.

Seaforth Place, London – Adam formed one half of the planning team which prepared a challenging application for a small plot of land in a derelict corner of the Victoria Opportunity Area. The proposals consisted of an office-led mixed use scheme with an exquisite design which also proposed a pocket park and a school playground above the lid of the District and Circle Line near Victoria Station.

The Hub, Birmingham – The project initially gained outline approval in 2016 for 55,000 sqm of industrial floorspace. Adam played a key role in securing the outline consent and has since prepared and secured planning permission for reserved matters applications as the project continually develops. Adam has continued to advise the incoming tenants as they ensure the proposals suit their operational needs and submits applications to address these if required.

FI Real Estate Management, Various – FI Real Estate Management bought a number of properties which previously formed part of the Toys R Us Properties portfolio. Adam has played a key role in the past couple of years advising on the prospects of proposals to maximise the asset and prepared applications and secured permissions to meet new occupier requirements. A large number of these large retail units have now been refurbished and are being occupied by new tenants.