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Areas of expertise

Becky is a Chartered Town Planner with six years of experience in both the public and private sector. She has worked in the Planning Policy teams of two south-east Local Authorities before moving to the private sector in early 2018. Since joining Quod, she has added depth to her planning knowledge through involvement in development management projects including the submission of planning applications, strategic land promotion and the preparation of reports and application documents for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects. She is able to draw on her experience gained in the public sector including the analysis and application of policy as part of the Local Plan preparation process, working with Neighbourhood Plan groups, assessment of sites submitted to the Call for Sites process and preparing and reviewing representations to planning applications and Local Plans.

Key experience

EDF Nuclear Decommissioning - Becky has been part of the team working on the planning aspects for decommissioning multiple nuclear power sites across the UK, on behalf of EDF. Becky has submitted the initial applications to local planning authority's to gain consent for enabling works and is now working on the wider planning applications.

Kiln Place, London Borough of Camden - Becky is currently leading on a project which has seen the regeneration of a Council-owned site in Gospel Oak. The project is nearing completion but to date has entailed the submission of a number of NMAs and MMAs plus the approval of details through condition.

Chalgrove Airfield - Becky is on the Off-Site Highways planning team, focussing on the preparation of the application for the highway improvements required to support a large scale development in South Oxfordshire.

Key projects

Sizewell C
Heathrow Airport Expansion
AQUIND Interconnector
Kiln Place
Site Promotion in the South of England

Key clients

EDF Energy
Heathrow Airport Limited
Arcadis
Countryside
LCR
Taylor Wimpey



Heathrow Airport – Becky has been leading on the preparation the Mitigation Route Map to accompany the DCO application for Heathrow Airport Expansion. She also assisted the project team with the drafting of the planning policy compliance statement and the responses to the previous public consultation.

Site Promotion - Becky has worked on the promotion of sites through the Local Plan process, from submitting sites to the Call for Sites process, involvement in the preparation of vision documents and attending public consultation events.

Site Appraisals - Becky has carried out site appraisals to investigate the opportunities for intensifying retail use in locations which are subject to a number of constraints.