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Areas of expertise

Jessica works on a range of projects for public and private sector clients, including large scale residential and mixed-use development and regeneration projects, new neighbourhoods, garden towns and nationally significant infrastructure. Having gained experience across the planning and socio-economic disciplines has equipped her with a holistic approach to development, and a particular interest in social sustainability.

Jessica's experience includes undertaking assessment of and preparing strategies relating to social infrastructure, community development and social sustainability, and drafting planning application documents including socio-economic ES chapters, health impact assessments and regeneration statements. She also provides masterplanning advice on social infrastructure, S106 support, and undertakes strategic research. More recently, Jessica has gained experience relating to high street and town centre renewal, as well as meanwhile uses.

Her skill set includes policy analysis, data and geospatial analysis, and mapping and visualisation. She has a strong research background with particular skills in methodological development.

Jessica was previously on the Kilburn Neighbourhood Forum committee where she helped develop the vision for the area in the early stages of the neighbourhood plan process, and during her time as a master student at UCL she worked within a multi-disciplinary team to form an alternative vision for the regeneration of the Holloway Prison site.

Key experience

Union Place - Jessica supported LCR & Worthing Borough Council in their planning application to provide nearly 200 homes, commercial space, a hotel and a cinema extension to the Connaught Theatre at this site in Worthing's town centre. Jessica

Key clients

Places for People
LB Camden
LCR
Royal Navy
Trium
Transport for London

led the production of the regeneration statement which set out the socio-economic benefits of the scheme. These included activation of the site and knock-on effects on the town centre; contributing to Worthing's tourism economy; and supporting a cultural hub and the night time economy.

Gospel Oak Estate Regeneration - Jessica supported on the Socio-Economic and Community Infrastructure Assessment for LB Camden in respect of their work in regenerating the Gospel Oak area. Key outcomes included the opportunity of the estate regeneration to contribute to and enhance community assets, alongside the need for the masterplan to emphasise good quality open space.

East Wick and Sweetwater - Jessica is currently working across various planning and socio-economic aspects, including on social sustainability and infrastructure delivery, of this new neighbourhood within Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park. Once completed, the neighbourhood is set to provide over 1,800 new homes, alongside commercial space, social infrastructure and open space.

Otterpool Park (Garden Town) - Jessica advised on social infrastructure within the masterplanning of this major new settlement in Kent (set to provide 8,500 homes) and is currently working on the community facilities strategy.

Gilston Park Estate (Garden Town) - Jessica supported on the school and sports delivery strategies for the 10,000 proposed new homes, as well as provided masterplanning support in relation to sports and open space.

Meanwhile uses in London (various locations) - Jessica is currently working on multiple schemes relating to meanwhile uses and their opportunities both in relation to town centre / high street renewal and to physical and socio-economic regeneration of wider areas.

Commercial and mixed-use schemes in London (various locations) - Jessica works on socio-economic ES chapters and Health Impact Assessment across several residential, commercial and mixed-use schemes in London.

Bradwell B - Jessica is working on various aspects of the community, health and equality workstreams in respect of the DCO application for a new nuclear power station in Essex.