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Areas of expertise

Hannah is an Associate of the RTPI (AssocRTPI) with over 4 years' experience in the public and private sectors. Hannah has worked as a Planning Officer in the Development Management Teams of Leeds City Council and Regional Enterprise (London Borough of Barnet Council), before moving to the private sector in 2020. Hannah previously worked at MZA Planning and Nexus Planning before joining Quod.

During her experience, Hannah has added depth to her planning knowledge through her involvement in a range of projects, including the preparation and submission of pre-applications, planning applications and appeals for schemes across a variety of sectors. She is able to draw on her local authority experience to create good working relationships with case officers, as well as liaise with other technical consultants to achieve positive outcomes for clients.

Key experience

Co-location Development, London – Hannah is currently working with Valor on developing an extensive co-location scheme in London. Hannah has been involved in the initial preapplication discussions and is currently working with the client team to progress the scheme design and a wider masterplan.

Royal Arcade, Norwich – Hannah helped to secure approval for the redevelopment and refurbishment of a number of retail units in the Grade II* listed shopping arcade to create a three-storey food and drink emporium in Norwich City Centre. Due to the sensitive nature of the site, extensive pre-application discussions were held with Norwich's Conservation Officer and a phased approach was taken with the application submissions. Planning permission and Listed Building Consent were granted for the works in 2022 and the development has now been implemented, which contributes significantly towards the vitality of Norwich's city centre.

Key projects

Sidcup Library, Sidcup Walnut Tree Depot, Erith Royal Arcade, Norwich Regent College, Harrow Former Castlebrook SEND School, Bury Lime Hills Academy, North Somerset Horsham Enterprise Park, Horsham

Key clients

BexleyCo Homes B3 Homes Valor Joseph Homes DHL Bowmer + Kirkland



Horsham Enterprise Park, Horsham – Hannah worked on the Reserved Matters application submissions to redevelop the Former Novartis Site in Horsham. Outline permission was granted in February 2020 for up to 300 residential units (including the conversion of the central buildings 3 and 36) with 25,000sqm of flexible employment/community floorspace. 2x Reserved Matters applications were submitted in January 2023 for Phases 1 and 2 of the residential side of the development in order to preserve the outline permission. These applications comprised 259 residential units cumulatively, containing a mix of new build and conversion units. These applications are currently being considered by Horsham District Council.

Sidcup Library, Sidcup – Hannah secured permission in March 2023 for the redevelopment of the existing Sidcup Library site to create 32x self-contained flats with associated amenity space and parking. London Borough of Bexley resolved to grant permission at Planning Committee due to the number of high quality homes to be provided in a sustainable town centre location, making the most efficient use of the tired brownfield site following the relocation of the library.

Former Castlebrook SEND School, Bury – Hannah secured permission in July 2022 for the erection of a 65 place secondary school for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities ('SEND') pupils. The application was subject to difficult negotiations with Bury's Highways Department around the impact of the proposals on the highway network due to concerns around local traffic and congestion, however permission was granted due to the compelling local need for a SEND school and the various public benefits provided by the scheme.

Site Appraisals – Hannah has provided detailed planning advice on various minor and major sites, assessing suitability for a range of residential, retail and industrial developments.