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Areas of expertise

Ben has is a highly experienced consultant with more than 13 years' experience within the Environmental sector and is a Chartered Environmental Consultant and Full Member of IEMA. Before joining Quod, he led the EIA team at CBRE. Ben has led the management and co-ordination of large, complex EIAs for numerous public and private sector clients across a variety of sectors, including residential, industrial, infrastructure, commercial, entertainment, retail, and health.

Ben's particular interests and expertise are in complex masterplan projects and riverside projects. He is passionate about helping to inform the early masterplan development phase of a project and in managing the technical team to ensure that he gets the best out of them for the benefit of the Client and the project. In addition to master planning and leading EIA projects, Ben also provides peer review services, advises on site feasibility and options analysis, site promotion, and environmental due diligence.

Key experience

Land South of the A453 – Ben led on the EIA for an application to build a new industrial and logistics scheme to the south of East Midlands Airport, providing up to 135,000 sqm of floorspace. The site is 42 hectares currently in agricultural use and located within the jurisdiction of North-West Leicestershire District Council. The site formed part of a draft allocation within the emerging Local Plan. The project presented a number of challenges, including the proximity of Diseworth Village to the South West and elevated nature of the Site resulting in significant constraints in respect of Landscape and Visual and Noise which required a sensitive design response.

Morden Wharf, Greenwich – Ben led on the EIA for this complex project on the Greenwich Peninsula which sought to deliver 18 buildings up to 36 storeys providing up to 1,550 residential

Key projects

Morden Whar **Orchard Wharf** Albion Waterside Earls Court Land South of the A453 Wisley New Settlement Marine Lake Events Centre, Southport Bermondsey Biscuit Factory Cantium Retail Park

Key clients

The Hill Group Manchester Airport Group Berkelev Homes **Barratt London** Countryside Properties London Square

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units, alongside industrial, retail and community uses. The site was adjacent to a safeguarded wharf and required upgrades to the river wall. Ben therefore took on a prominent role in the consultation with the EA and PLA.

Albion Waterside, Gravesend – Ben led on the EIA for the Albion Waterside project in Gravesend, which gained planning permission for 1,500 homes. As a result of the riverside location, extensive consultation was required with the EA, which was led by Ben, in order to agree the works required and the knock-on effect for the masterplan design.

Earls Court, London – Whilst at Ramboll, Ben led on the EIA for the Earls Court project, which is a major regeneration scheme in London for a 40 acre site seeking to deliver up to 4,000 homes and 2.5m sqft of workspace. Ben led on the environmental master planning input as well as developing the EIA strategy.