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Areas of expertise

Alistair is a highly experienced environmental professional with over 12 years' experience providing strategic environmental planning advice to both the public and private sector. A chartered environmental planner, he has a proactive and dynamic approach with clients to establish and articulate a clear and effective environmental planning strategy that provides holistic benefits across the project.

Alistair is highly proficient at managing large, strategic, Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) projects, having worked on numerous high-profile developments within the UK and internationally across a range of sectors, including large multi-phased masterplans, mixed-use residential developments and infrastructure projects. This understanding allows him to provide robust and unique advice to every client to ensure that the project's environmental effects are avoided, eliminated and/ or minimised as far as possible whilst seeking to achieve the greatest value to the development being sought.

Alistair works excellently as a diligent core member of a project team, with great understandings of value and risks throughout the nuances of a project, with great interpersonal and communication skills to ensure that every client can achieve the best outcome for their project.

Key experience

Gilston Park Estate (Place for People) – Strategic environmental planner and EIA project manager for three inter-linked applications for a 1,000 ha northern expansion of Harlow. The site is partly located in the green-belt and the three applications comprise a residential-led development of up to 8,500 homes, with associated community facilities, commercial services, and two new river crossings. Key considerations are transport and access,

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Battersea Power Station
Begbroke Innovation District
Rivenhall IWMF DCO
Chalk Gardens, Sutton
Timberyard, Deptford

Key clients

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landscape and visual and built heritage concerns, however with such a large site a holistic approach is required to all environmental considerations.

Battersea Power Station – EIA project lead and strategic environmental planning advisor for the Future Phases application for Battersea Power Station masterplan; previous involvement in coordination of historic for other phases of the masterplan development. Key considerations for the masterplan are transport, townscape and built heritage concerns along with ensuring suitable design mitigation is in place for neighboring sites.

Begbroke Innovation District (OUD) – EIA project lead for outline masterplan and planning application for expansion of existing science park and associated development, including a residential-led masterplan for c.1,800 new homes, schools, healthcare, amenity and a new Local Nature Reserve.

Rivenhall Integrated Waste Management Facility DCO (Indaver) – EIA project manager for ES that sought to increase the generating capacity of an energy from waste plant within a consented waste management facility.

Deptford Landings (LendLease) – EIA project manager for EIA submissions to support subsequent applications for a large mixed-use development for over 1,000 new homes in Lewisham. Key considerations are noise and vibration effects during demolition and construction, townscape and daylight and sunlight effects on neighbouring properties.

Goods Yard, LB Haringey (Tottenham Hotspur FC) – EIA project lead for multiple applications to White Hart Lane Stadium and nearby land to deliver residential-led developments in Tottenham.

Chalk Gardens (St George West London) – EIA project manager for residential-led redevelopment of commercial site in LB Sutton to provide over 1,000 new homes, commercial floorspace and new public realm.

Land North of Dowding Way, Waltham Abbey (Next) - EIA project lead for an EIA for a commercial storage and distribution development providing up to 84,000m2 new storage and distribution floorspace, located to the south of the M25 in the Green Belt. Key considerations were landscape and visual impacts, the potential transport effects associated with the introduction of new Heavy Goods Vehicle (HGV) movements on the nearby M25 junction, and potential implications on nearby designated European sites.