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Planning lawyer with extensive experience of advising public sector, energy and utility, retail, developer and investor clients on planning, highways, compulsory purchase and related issues. Includes providing strategic advice on planning policy, including plan making and advising on environmental impact assessment, appeals, judicial review, development consent orders and stopping up orders and drafting and negotiating complex section 106 agreements.

Experience includes a number of years spent working at a local authority advising on planning, highways, rights of way and governance, including as sole legal adviser to planning committee.

Previous experience of advising retailers, developers (including wind farm developers) on planning matters, including at public inquiry.

Has advised on planning issues arising on corporate sales and acquisitions including carrying out due diligence and drafting and negotiating appropriate warranties and indemnities.

Has also acted for the acquiring authority and objectors to compulsory purchase orders at all stages of the CPO process, including proceedings to settle compensation in the Lands Tribunal.

Legal Services

Planning

- Advising County Council on its draft Minerals Local Plan, including at Examination in Public;
- Advising planning authority on legal issues arising from applications for shale gas exploration, an energy from waste facility and major road schemes, including at committee;
- Drafting and negotiating s106 agreements on behalf of Education Authority to secure the provision of new schools.

Sectors