



Planning • Historic Buildings • Archaeology

Specialist & Independent Advisors to the Property Industry

CgMs Consulting: Newark Office

Our Newark Office provides planning, historic buildings and archaeology consultancy advice to clients with land and property interests focussed in the East and West Midlands, North of England and East Anglia . It also specialises in rural development.

Planning Consultancy

The Planning advice we provide covers all aspects of the planning process including:

- Planning appraisals - assessing the development potential of sites, preparing development briefs and recommending the planning strategy to secure planning consents;
- Submission of representations to Regional Spatial Strategies and Local Development Documents - promotion of strategic and local site allocations;
- Preparation and submission of planning applications - project management of the planning process with the assembled client team and negotiation with planning authorities;
- Preparation and co-ordination of necessary supporting technical information, including environmental assessments, design and access statements, planning supporting statements , development viability assessments and retail need and impact assessments;
- Public consultation related to planning applications;
- Negotiation of section 106 agreements;
- Presentation of cases on appeal, including provision of expert witnesses.

We work alongside our UK-wide specialist planning teams covering the Residential, Commercial, Energy and Waste, Retail and Leisure, Rural and Public Sector s (see separate bulletins relating to these specialisms).



Examples of the Newark Team's Planning Instructions

- Acting for Barratts, we are providing planning advice on the proposed Eco Town at Rackheath, Norwich, which secured a Grade A rating ;
- Acting for National Grid, we have obtained Planning and Electricity Act consents for new overhead lines, the uprating of existing lines and for sealing end compounds as part of a package of strategic electricity infrastructure in Thurrock;
- Acting for Royal Bank of Scotland, we have advised on the implications of planning conditions for a commercial development in Rotherham.

For further information, please contact:
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Historic Buildings

The Historic Buildings advice we provide includes :

- Assessment and recording of historic buildings and structures;
- Conservation Area Appraisals and management plans;
- Preparation, negotiation and submission of applications for listed building consent and for conservation area consent;
- Assessments of the impact of development upon the historic buildings, conservation areas and their setting;
- Provision of expert witness evidence at appeals.

Examples of the Newark Team's Historic Buildings Instructions

- Acting for British Waterways, we undertook a detailed heritage audit of their property portfolio in the East Midlands, prior to potential disposal;
- Acting for National Trust, we prepared a conservation management plan for former stables at Clumber Park to underpin funding applications;



- Acting for Bedford Borough Council, we undertook a conservation area character appraisal of Bedford town centre and recommended boundary review and areas of distinct character.

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Archaeology

The archaeological advice we provide includes :

- Desk top assessments to establish whether archaeological issues may impact upon development and to scope out the need for further investigations;
- Advising on the discharge of archaeological conditions on planning consents to minimise costs and avoid impacts on development programmes ;
- Where necessary, preparation of the tendering and project management of field work evaluations and excavations.
- Historic landscape characterisations;
- Representations to development plan documents relating to archaeology policy and site allocations and designations;
- Provision of advice in support of planning applications and expert witness evidence at planning appeals.

Examples of the Newark Team's Archaeology Instructions



- Acting for David Wilson Homes, we advised on a 470 acre site at Biddenham, Bedford, the largest excavation of its kind ever undertaken in Bedfordshire, achieved six months ahead of schedule and on budget;
- Acting for Oxford Westgate Investments, we undertook a desk top assessment and the management of trial works and the subsequent negotiation of the archaeology planning conditions in relation to the redevelopment of the Oxford Westgate shopping centre.

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