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Director

### Professional Qualifications

BA (Hons) Town and Country Planning  
Diploma in Management Studies  
Member Royal Town Planning Institute  
Principal EIA Practitioner (IEMA)

### Career Profile

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| 2008 - to date | Director, CgMs                                     |
| 2006 - 08      | Head of Planning, Cheffins                         |
| 1998 - 2006    | Associate, Atkins                                  |
| 1996 - 98      | Principal planner, Scott Wilson                    |
| 1991 - 96      | Associate, Cobham Resource Consultants             |
| 1990 - 91      | Development officer, Kirklees Metropolitan Council |
| 1989 - 90      | Project officer, Clifford Barnett Group            |
| 1976 - 89      | Planning officer, Kirklees Metropolitan Council    |
| 1974 - 75      | Planning assistant, Department of the Environment  |

### Relevant Experience

Richard has extensive experience of Development Planning. He has managed a wide range of environmental assessments of major infrastructure projects including light rail, airport, waste water treatment plants and overhead electricity transmission lines. He has also prepared strategies for environmental improvement and recreation provision and feasibility studies to accompany funding bids and support planning applications. He acts as a consents officer for National Grid.

### Project Examples

**National Grid** - securing consents under the Planning and Electricity Acts for overhead lines and associated infrastructure.

**Barratt Strategic** - promotion of new community of 4000 houses through LDF process.

**Highways Agency** - environmental adviser on several major highways projects.

**Northern Ireland Water Service** - environmental assessments of major waste water projects.

**Lancashire County Council** - expert witness in gas storage appeal.

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