

Paul Newbold

Former City Planning Officer, Portsmouth City Council (1996-2004). Over 30 years front line experience as a local authority town planner, working in UK urban local authorities, encompassing development control, policy formulation, development implementation, and regeneration. Over 12 years experience in senior management, dealing with public, politicians, government departments, and commercial developers. 26 years experience working in the most densely developed UK urban environment, dealing with sustainable brown field and mixed use development. Responsible for overseeing the planning and partnership delivery of Gunwharf Quays, awarded by BURA for best practice in regeneration, and voted best regeneration scheme in 2003 by English Partnerships.

Member of the Royal Town Planning Institute
Honours degree in Government
Diploma in Town Planning

Extensive experience of

- Managing a local authority frontline service department
- Change management and human resources issues
- Achieving public sector accreditation (IIP and Best Value)
- Managing the formal planning development process
- Preparing a statutory planning framework
- Working in an urban environment
- Delivering the urban renaissance
- Achieving sustainable, high quality, high density mixed use solutions
- Liaising with private and public sector agencies
- Liaising with politicians and managing the political/public interface
- Conflict resolution
- Chairing project teams and inter agency review boards
- Techniques of public consultation
- Engaging with local communities
- Partnership working and networking with business and community
- Brown field regeneration projects
- Development team working
- Development briefs, environmental assessment and master plans
- Development implementation
- Planning appeals, public inquiries

Further relevant experience includes

- TV and radio experience
- Member of local area regeneration board
- Chair of partnership best value review of local crime and disorder strategy
- Member of South East England Regional Assembly advisory groups:
 - o Past chair of Urban Renaissance advisory group
 - o Density toolkit working group
 - o Strategy advisory group.

Planning Consultant since 2004, dealing with a range of projects, including domestic applications, appeals, planning briefs and advice; advising a local authority on departmental restructuring; working as an associate consultant with Smart Futures (www.smart-futures.com); currently advising clients on two major projects of 300ha and 100ha through the South East Plan process.