

Environmental Statement Volume III: Technical Appendices B&Q Cricklewood, Cricklewood Lane

Montreaux Cricklewood Developments Ltd
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Appendix 1-1: EIA Statement of
Competence

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Background

European Union Directive 2014/52/EU requires that developers ensure that the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report (Environmental Statement) is prepared by 'competent experts'. In addition, the UK EIA Regulations state that an Environmental Statement must be accompanied by a statement from the Applicant outlining the relevant expertise or qualifications of experts. As such, this Statement of Competence has been prepared by AECOM, as lead EIA Coordinator for the B&Q Cricklewood project, to outline the capability of the company and the competency of the individuals responsible for undertaking and reporting the EIA.

AECOM

AECOM is a leading provider of environmental services to a wide range of clients and development sectors in the UK. AECOM has a large (approximately 160) and highly experienced team of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) practitioners, who have managed hundreds of EIAs and prepared Environmental Statements and other technical reports to accompany applications under various consenting regimes. AECOM also provides specialist EIA review services and EIA training to a range of organisations, including government agencies. The EIA team is supported by 400+ technical environmental specialists, covering a wide range of technical disciplines.

IEMA EIA Quality Mark

AECOM is a registrant to the Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA) EIA Quality Mark and undertakes all EIA work in line with the EIA Quality Mark Commitments. The EIA Quality Mark is a voluntary scheme through which EIA activity is independently reviewed, on an annual basis, to ensure it delivers excellence in: EIA management, EIA team capabilities, EIA regulatory compliance, EIA context and influence, EIA content, EIA presentation and improving EIA practice. Many of AECOM's EIA Coordinators hold Practitioner or Full (Chartered) Membership status with IEMA, or are members of other appropriate professional institutions.



Competent Experts

Summaries of the qualifications and experience of the EIA Project Manager, responsible for the coordination of the EIA, and the EIA Project Director, responsible for the checking and review of the Environmental Statement, are presented below.

EIA Project Manager/ Coordinator, BSc, MPhil, PIEMA

Experience: The AECOM EIA coordinator is an environmental consultant in the London EIA team with 3 years of experience in EIA coordination and project management for urban regeneration and infrastructure projects, environmental due diligence, compliance and auditing. The AECOM EIA Coordinator has been involved in all aspects of the EIA process and works closely with clients, sub-consultants, architects and engineers to ensure the smooth running of the EIA process. Recent project experience includes:

- Stephenson Street, London Borough of Newham;
- Silvertown Quays, London Borough of Newham;
- University College London (UCL) East, London Borough of Newham;
- Margarine Works, London Borough of Ealing.

EIA Project Director, BSc (Hons), MSc, PIEMA

Experience: The AECOM EIA Project Director is a Technical Director managing the London EIA team with 19 years of experience in managing and delivering EIAs across a range of public and private sector schemes. Her experience has ranged from early identification of constraints and opportunities, using them to inform the masterplanning process through to outline and detailed design, and ultimately a submission for planning. Recent project experience includes:

- Imperial 1 – Guinness Partnership;
- Clockhouse and Access House – PLOT
- Imperial Street – Danescroft Ltd;
- Stratford Waterfront - London Legacy Development Corporation;

This Environmental Statement brings together the following technical studies. These have been prepared and approved by competent experts, both within and external to AECOM, who hold professional memberships and are committed to undertaking continued professional development within their respective fields.

EIA Technical Discipline	Company	Qualifications/ Professional Memberships/ Accreditation of the Technical Lead	Years of Experience of Technical Lead within the Relevant Industry	Summary of Previous Project Experience of Technical Lead
Air Quality	AECOM	CEnv MSc BSc MIAQM MIEEnvSc	19	Extensive experience in the assessment of air quality impacts for environmental impact assessment and planning
Archaeology	AECOM	PhD, MSc, BA, MCIfA	Over 10 years' experience in undertaking heritage fieldwork and impact assessments	The AECOM Technical Lead for Archaeology has been technical lead for archaeology on a number of EIA projects over the last two years at AECOM, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NeuConnect converter station and international energy cable link, Kent; • Dagenham Dock, London; • Burgess Hill Northern Arc Masterplan, West Sussex; • Ash Road Bridge, Surrey; • NCC Havering Campus, London
Climate Change	AECOM	BA (Hons)	20 years	Technical lead for a range of climate impact assessments for Environmental Statements across a range of sectors since 2017, including major infrastructure development and upgrade projects.
Daylight, Sunlight, Overshadowing	GIA		12 years	The GIA Technical Lead has twelve years advising on daylight and sunlight matters for large scale development schemes as a Senior Partner, leading the largest dedicated daylight design team in the UK. Simone has consulted on a number of EIA projects, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Battersea Power Station • Heygate Masterplan.
Ground Conditions	AECOM	BSc (Hons) DIS MIEEnvSc	23 years of experience in contaminated land and groundwater investigation, assessment and remediation.	The AECOM Contaminated Land Technical Lead is a Principal Consultant with extensive experience in undertaking contaminated land assessments for urban regeneration projects. Recent project experience includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stephenson Street, Newham; • Deanston Wharf, Newham; • Former Middlesex University, Trent Park, Enfield.
Noise and Vibration	AECOM	BEng (Hons) IEng MIOA CEnv MIEEnvSc	13 Years	The AECOM Technical Lead for Noise and Vibration has extensive experience which have been used as part of Environmental Impact Assessment and Development Consent Order

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				<p>agreements. This has included noise and vibration surveys, managing monitoring projects, digital noise modelling, liaison with stakeholders, consultation with local planning authorities, preparation of ES chapters, and preparation of Noise Management Plans for construction works. Colin currently has held advisory roles to the Thames Tideway Tunnel and Heathrow Expansion projects. Notable projects include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TATA Port Talbot; • The Yorkshire and Humber CCS Cross County Pipeline; • Battersea Power Station; • Francis Crick Institute of biomedical research centre.
Socio-economics & Health	AECOM	BSc MSc MIED	12 years of experience	<p>AECOM's technical lead for the socio-economics assessment has significant experience working on EIAs across a range of infrastructure and mixed-use developments across the UK, leading several socio-economic and health impact assessments to support planning applications for major residential and mixed use developments, which in London have recently included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Royal Wharf; • Northfields Industrial Estate; • Ten Broadway/New Scotland Yard; and • International Quarter London.
Traffic and Transport	Entran	IEng, FICE, FCILT, FIHE	31 years' experience in Traffic and Transportation including 20 years as Technical Lead in assessing the environmental effects of development related transport	<p>The Entran Transport Consultant is a Director with experience Movement Strategies, Transport Assessments and Travel Planning as well as taking Project Director on mixed-use and residential-led urban regeneration and infrastructure schemes. Recent project experience includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keybridge House, 590 dwellings, retail employment and school (LB Lambeth) • Royal Mint Gardens, 467 dwellings, retail and food, employment and community uses (LB Tower Hamlets) • Shredded What Factory, Welwyn Garden City, 1500 dwellings, 11,000sqm commercial uses including retail, community, arts and employment <p>Expert witness at Public Inquiry for Hawkesbury Estate, Nuneaton and Bedworth</p>
Wind Microclimate	RWDI	MEng, CEng MIMechE	Five years	<p>The RWDI Technical Lead is Senior Engineer and Associate at RWDI with 6 years' experience in wind microclimate consultancy, including impact assessment and mitigation design guidance for projects throughout the UK.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22 Bishopsgate • Bankside Yards East • Elephant and Castle Masterplan • 1 Leadenhall
Townscape, Visual Impact and Built Heritage Assessment (TVBHIA)	Montagu Evans	MRTPI, IHBC	26 years of professional experience as a specialist in heritage matters.	<p>The HTVIA Technical Lead provides specialist advice on sites that involve development in the historic environment and sensitive landscapes. The Technical Lead has worked on heritage-based projects of all kinds, involving highly graded listed buildings, World Heritage Sites, Scheduled Monuments and sensitive land (conservation areas, Registered Parks, Metropolitan Open Land, Green Belt, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty).</p>

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Recent, relevant project experience includes:

- One Nine Elms, Wandsworth
- Southbank Tower, Southwark
- Paris Garden and Hatfields, Southwark
- 7 Limeharbour, Tower Hamlets
- Quay House, Tower Hamlets
- The Curtain, Shoreditch, Hackney

The Technical Lead acts regularly as an independent expert witness on planning appeals and call-in inquiries.