

APPENDIX 1

JED GRIFFITHS MA DipTP FRTPI: A BRIEF CV

Jed Griffiths is the principal of Griffiths Environmental Planning, based in Hertford. He has a BA (Hons) and an MA from the University of Durham. After two years as a schoolteacher in County Durham, he entered the planning profession in 1966 as a graduate trainee in his home City of Plymouth, before embarking on the DipTP course in Newcastle. From graduating in 1970, he moved to Hertfordshire County Council, where he served for 21 years, mostly as a group leader in the planning service. He worked on the Hertfordshire County Structure Plan and was closely involved in the Stansted Airport Inquiry and the urbanisation strategy associated with the expansion of the airport. In 1991, he moved to East Sussex County Council as Chief Strategic Planner, before setting up his practice in 1994. During his service in local government, Jed was involved in a number of nationally-significant working parties and groups, including the London and South East Regional Planning Conference (SERPLAN) and the County Planning Officer's Society (Planning in the Urban Fringe). He was a member of the Government Working Party which reviewed and updated Green Belt policy for England.

Jed was a member of the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI) General Assembly (previously the Council) for 26 years and was President of the Institute in 1995. He has also chaired the RTPI East of England Branch (1986) and was President of the Planning Summer School from 1997 – 2000. For several years, Jed was a member of the Institute's Sustainable Development Think Tank and campaigned successfully for the establishment of sustainable development as a core element of the RTPI's New Vision. He was closely involved with the work of the Institute on climate change policy and chaired the Institute Working Party on the development of marine spatial planning. He has also served on the RTPI England Policy Panel.

As a consultant, Jed has been involved in a wide variety of projects, mainly in the public sector. He was a Senior Associate of Trevor Roberts Associates Limited (TRA), before the firm ceased trading as a result of the 2020 pandemic. For 25 years, Jed ran TRA training programmes in planning, both for officers and councillors of local authorities all over Great Britain. Assignments as a consultant have included a review of the Cheltenham Green Belt and supporting the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital in its successful bid to redevelop its site at Stanmore, North London. In Hertfordshire, Jed has advised the STOP Harlow North campaign, for which he appeared at the East of England Plan Examination. He has been actively engaged with CPRE Hertfordshire in promoting neighbourhood planning. He has worked with a number of Parish Councils in the completion of Neighbourhood Plans (Cleeve Prior in Worcestershire, Standon, Walkern, Thundridge, and Hunsdon Parishes in Hertfordshire). In recent years, Jed has also been engaged by CPRE, Parish Councils, and other local groups in preparing responses to eight Local Plans in Hertfordshire, appearing at many Examination Hearings.

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