



Profile

DPDS CONSULTING GROUP | COMPANY PROFILE

A low-angle photograph showing a tall palm tree on the left and a modern, curved glass skyscraper on the right. The sky is bright blue with wispy white clouds. A single bird is seen flying in the upper left quadrant.

Town Planning
Development
Environment
Architecture
Urban Design
Landscape Design
Project Management

What does the future hold?

In the case of our built and natural environment, the future will be what we make it.

Town planning decisions and architectural and urban designs of today not only serve an immediate need; they provide a legacy for future generations.

At DPDS our approach combines common sense with vision and imagination. Our skills and services have been developed to meet our client's needs today whilst keeping the needs of tomorrow firmly in mind.

About us

Established in 1985, DPDS is a leading independent professional practice offering a comprehensive range of town planning, architectural and design services with offices in Swindon, Bristol, Crawley and Derby.

We have a multidisciplinary team of town planners, architects, surveyors, urban designers, landscape architects and environmental specialists which enables us to adopt an integrated approach to development projects combining our skills and experience to maximise development potential whilst achieving high standards of design and remaining sensitive to the environment.

Planning

The UK's planning system has become increasingly complex over recent years as legislators have struggled to balance the often competing needs of a changing society, business and the environment.

Development planning decisions have a major impact on our quality of life. As the subject of sustainability gains importance and emphasis shifts from greenfield development to urban regeneration, the issues involved are becoming increasingly complex.

The need to work with the planning system can take a variety of forms and present many challenges. Our intimate knowledge of the planning system lies at the heart of our ability to provide the most effective solution for our clients.

Environmental

Our environmental specialists have extensive experience of preparing environmental studies to support planning applications for development, including carrying out EIA work and producing Environmental Statements.

We provide advice on projects, co-ordinate and undertake masterplanning, feasibility studies and constraints planning and provide support for discharge of environmental planning conditions and agreements. We also provide professional witnesses to give evidence on behalf of our clients at Appeals and Public Local Inquiries.



Wichelstowe, Wiltshire

Our development planning services include:

- Submission of all types of planning and change of use applications
- Appeals against refusal of planning permission and enforcement action
- Representation in respect of Development Plan matters and the presentation at Public Local Inquiry or Public Examination
- Site appraisals and feasibility studies
- Strategic land promotion
- Project Management
- Preparation of development briefs, masterplans and Design codes
- Environmental Impact Assessments
- Sustainability appraisals and audits
- Retail and leisure planning
- Socio-economic and demographic studies
- Urban capacity studies
- Development Plan Monitoring
- Viability appraisals
- Land assembly programmes

Our environmental planning services include:

- Environmental Impact Assessment
- EIA/ES Auditing and Review
- Screening and Scoping
- Appropriate assessment
- Green Infrastructure strategies

Architecture

DPDS Architecture is a RIBA Chartered Practice providing a full range of architectural services from preliminary appraisal of client needs through to successful handover of a completed project.

Our philosophy is simple; we apply our imagination and creative thinking to our clients' brief to develop cost effective solutions that are as attractive as they are practical. Whether designing for residential, commercial or industrial purposes, we aim to create efficient, friendly buildings that harmonise with their surroundings and are enjoyed by their occupants.

As well as designing attractive new buildings, we have an enviable reputation for successful completion of sensitive works to historic buildings and schemes in conservation areas.

Our range of skills and level of resources enables us to manage any scale of project from inception to completion.



Pinnacle, West Sussex

Urban Design and Landscape Architecture

Reflecting our commitment to sustainability and our joined-up approach to development projects, DPDS provides fully integrated urban design and landscape architecture services.

Facilitating planning permission through good design, our urban design team is able to translate planning proposals into designs for urban spaces that embrace contextual, environmental and social considerations as well as expressing layout, form, scale and aesthetic criteria.

A thorough assessment of landscape potential is an integral component of contemporary development proposals and can be critical to project success. We can provide a range of services from initial analysis and appraisal of existing site features through to detailed planting plans and management of on-site implementation.



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