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## Summary CV

Graham is a **Chartered Town Planner** who studied at Huddersfield Polytechnic from 1986 to 1989 and obtained an **Honours Degree (Grade 2i) in Geography**. Subsequently, he studied at Sheffield Hallam University 1990-1993 to obtain a **Post Graduate Diploma with Distinction in Urban and Regional Planning** and then in 1996 the degree of **Master of Arts in Urban and Regional Planning**. He was elected a **Member of the Royal Town Planning Institute** in 1996.

From 1990 to 1994 Graham held the post of Planning Officer in the Development Control Service of the Peak District National Park Authority. Dealing with a heavy caseload of applications and appeals for a variety of development proposals, building negotiation and communication skills and application of the highest standards of siting, design, layout and landscape setting in extremely sensitive areas of the UK.

In 1994 Graham joined the Planning Policy Service of the National Park Authority, working on the preparation, adoption and revision of the Park-wide Local Plan including managing the production of the Proposals Map utilising GIS technology. He helped develop plan policy, developed the Sustainability Appraisal methodology, managed consultation programmes and contributed to the Public Inquiry work.

In 1999, Graham was seconded for one year to project – managing the production of the Authority's first National Park Management Plan, the senior integrated sustainable strategy for the National Park. He was involved in a wide range other planning initiatives, including the Regional Planning and emerging Sustainability Appraisal Sub-group and Pennine area renewable energy policy. He developed and applied SEA and SA for the National Park Authority's statutory plans.

Graham joined DTA as Senior Planner in July 2001 and was appointed an **Associate** at DTA in September 2004 having worked on a wide range of planning and landscape related research and advisory projects for central government departments, statutory agencies and local authorities. He now takes responsibility for commissions relating to public and private sector planning casework, providing a high quality, prompt and efficient service on retained commissions / call-off contracts for Natural England (formerly both English Nature and the Countryside Agency), advising extensively in respect to its planning involvement. He has developed wide experience of complex projects and major outputs pertaining to Local Development Frameworks, Environmental Statements, Regional Spatial Strategies, Sustainability Appraisals, Landscape Character and Capacity Assessments, Green Infrastructure studies and a broad range of other planning case work.

In 2002, Graham led DTA's input to a major research and advisory project for Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) and the Scottish Executive, to inform development of policy and funding mechanisms in respect of National Parks in Scotland. Graham has also contributed substantially to the development and trialling of a method for identifying the special qualities of Scotland's National Scenic Areas for SNH 2005-2006.

Graham has worked on a wide variety of commissions in relation to regional planning for the Natural England and its predecessors in the East and West Midlands (since 2002), and for the East of England Environment Forum on its engagement with the East of England Plan, including the preparation of papers to inform the Examination of the Regional Spatial Strategy (2004-2007). Graham has provided extended assistance to Bolsover, East Dunbartonshire, Midlothian and Edinburgh City Councils, amongst other LPAs, in Strategic Environmental Assessment and Sustainability Appraisals of development plans.

He has worked on major innovative projects such as planning for the 'roll-back' of development from the receding coastline of East Yorkshire (2003-2005), advised the Suffolk Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty Boards on spatial planning opportunities (2004-2005) and provided major input to Landscape Character Assessments of, amongst others, Rutland, Oadby and Wigston and North Kesteven (2003-2007). He led a review of *Planning Tomorrows Countryside* for the Countryside Agency and drafted substantial parts of the publication *Environmental Quality in Spatial Planning* for the statutory environmental agencies (2005).

In 2008/9 Graham led on a challenging commission for WMRA on identifying ways to maximise public benefit from the region's Green Belts. During 2009 he is again advising the Peak District NPA in drafting their preferred options LDF. Graham designs and delivers training courses delivered by DTA to statutory agencies and has public inquiry experience.