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Mike is a chartered town planner and has extensive experience and local knowledge across an array of sectors within the Oxford to Cambridge Arc.

Based at the heart of the Arc, he is a planning leader in the Milton Keynes planning team, dealing with development projects principally across Buckinghamshire, Bedfordshire, Northamptonshire and Hertfordshire. He specialises in resolving planning issues and negotiating with stakeholders to implement planning strategies and deliver sustainable developments.

Mike's background is principally within development management and the housing sector, including large-scale strategic planning applications for new settlements and urban extensions. This has enabled him to be adept in the strategic promotion of land of various scales and uses through local and neighbourhood plans.

He prides himself on the variety of his work, from large-scale energy schemes, urban mixed-use developments, residential care, education and civic buildings, and community projects - this includes expert witness work at appeals and local plan examinations.

Key relevant project experience

Campbell Wharf

An award-winning scheme that transformed an underwhelming location into a vibrant and unique mixed-use development including 383 new homes, a nursery, a pub, retail and commercial units, public open spaces and a short-stay marina.

New care home, Harpenden for Jarvis & Porthaven

Submitted a case to demolish and redevelop an industrial building and, in its place, create a 63-bed care home which was granted on all counts.

Pix Brook School for Willmott Dixon

Full planning permission within 14 weeks for a new school, Pix Brook Academy, comprising a 8,980 sq m main school building, car parking, cycle parking, bus/coach parking, pick-up/drop-off vehicle loop, sports hall, netball and tennis courts, football pitches, athletics track and games areas.

Arlesey East Sustainable Urban Extension for Axiom

A comprehensive local plan allocation that will provide much-needed housing, a country park, relief road, community facilities along with blue and green infrastructure.

Bedford Police Headquarters

Full detailed planning permission under delegated powers within 16 weeks for a state-of-the-art custody suite facility with ancillary office space and associated infrastructure.

MK Gateway

Secured a detailed permission for a high density, sustainable mixed-use development in Central Milton Keynes. The scheme will feature the tallest building on the CMK skyline and deliver circa 0.5m sq ft of commercial floorspace and 288 BTR apartments.

“Throughout this challenging project, Mike and his team provided a first-class, professional service which guided the application to a successful conclusion”

Michael Margerison, Land Director
Jarvis Homes Ltd