

Statement of Expertise

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The consultants who have contributed to the preparation of this ES are considered competent experts in their field, and are set out below along with information demonstrating their "expertise to ensure the completeness and quality of the ES" in accordance with the EIA Regulations.

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	Planning EIA Socio Economics	Pegasus Group (Pegasus) is the consultancy that has compiled this Environmental Statement (ES). This consultancy was established in 2003 and has over the years expanded to a company that strives for "good development" across the whole of the UK. Pegasus is Institute of Sustainability and Environmental Professionals (ISEP, formerly IEMA) 'Quality Mark' Accredited and its ESs and the processes that it undertakes to create them are regularly subjected to external review via this accreditation to ensure that all Pegasus Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) are legally compliant and apply best practice. The Economics team at Pegasus Group leads on socio-economic analysis as part of Environmental Impact Assessments, regularly undertaking demographic and economic research around the country to support planning applications. This includes work on a range of EIA projects, such as commercial, residential, student accommodation, leisure and extra care schemes. The team is comprised of demographers and economists, while Pegasus Group is also a member of the Institute of Economic Development.
	Landscape and Visual	Joanne Folland - Landscape Architect/Landscape Assessor BA (Hons) Landscape Architecture (1992) Chartered Member of the Landscape Institute CMLI (1996) Specialises in the planning stages of development projects, with particular expertise in Landscape, Townscape and Visual Impact Assessment (LVIA/TVIA). Has over 30 years' experience preparing standalone LVIA/TVIA reports and contributing landscape and visual chapters to Environmental Statements across a wide range of development types. Experience of providing expert landscape evidence at Planning Appeals.

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	Ecology and Biodiversity	TEP's Ecology team delivers comprehensive ecological and biodiversity services, including habitat and protected species surveys, Ecological Impact Assessments (EclA), Habitats Regulations Assessments (HRA) and Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG). The Ecology and Arboricultural team at TEP lead on ecological analysis including working on a range of EIA projects. TEP is a Registered Practice of the Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM). The content of this document has been prepared in accordance with the CIEEM Code of Professional Conduct and is compliant with all relevant legislation.
	Heritage and Archaeology	GHC is an independent archaeology and built heritage consultancy specialising in providing advice to developers, planners, architects and property owners on all areas of the historic environment across the UK. Our team of experienced historic environment professionals have worked on a diverse range of projects from the complexities of contaminated brownfield archaeological sites to working first hand with architects on listed buildings to being the lead archaeology and heritage advisors on major NSIP solar schemes. The company is a Registered Organisation with the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists.
	Transport Access	Tim Russell (Associate Director) BEng (Hons) Civil Engineering, MIHT Tim is an Associate Director at Eddisons. He has practiced in the field of transport planning and traffic engineering for more than 30 years, advising predominantly private-sector clients on a wide variety of projects, including many that required EIA input
	Air Quality	SLR Consulting Ltd (SLR) is the consultancy that has prepared the Air Quality Chapter of the Environmental Statement (ES). SLR has over 30 years' experience in environmental assessment, including air quality. SLR is a Registered Environmental Assessor organisation with the Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA) and holds the IEMA EIA Quality Mark. The company has extensive experience in undertaking Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) for a wide range of development types, including residential schemes. SLR's Air Quality team has substantial experience in assessing air quality impacts arising from a variety of sources, working across multiple sectors including the Built Environment, Energy, Industry, Infrastructure and Mining. Team members hold relevant academic and professional qualifications and are affiliated with appropriate professional bodies, including the

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		Institution of Environmental Sciences (IES) and the Institute of Air Quality Management (IAQM), the professional body for air quality practitioners. Senior members of the team are accredited as Chartered Environmentalists (CEnv).
	Noise and Vibration	Hepworth Acoustics is an established independent acoustic consultancy, formed in 1990, with extensive experience preparing Noise and Vibration chapters, for a broad range of development types across the UK. The company is a member of the Association of Noise Consultants (ANC) and its technical team are all full corporate members of the Institute of Acoustics (IOA). The Noise and Vibration ES chapter has been prepared by James Shaw MIOA, a full corporate Member of the Institute of Acoustics. James joined Hepworth Acoustics as an Associate Consultant. He holds a BSc (Hons) in Geography and has completed the IOA Diploma in Acoustics and Noise Control. James has 10 years' professional experience in acoustic consultancy and has been a full corporate member of the IOA for over six years. He has been responsible for the preparation of ES chapters and technical assessments relating to noise and vibration for a wide range of development types, including residential, commercial and infrastructure schemes.
	Water Resources (Flood Risk and Drainage)	Betts Hydro Consulting Ltd (Betts Hydro) is a specialist flood risk and drainage consultancy with significant experience leading on the preparation of Water Resources (Flood Risk and Drainage) ES Chapters across the UK. This includes involvement with supporting planning applications for the following development types: residential, commercial, industrial, healthcare, leisure and energy. The team consists of flood risk analysts, drainage engineers, and hydraulic analysts, who are Chartered Institute of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM) accredited.