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Craig Howell Williams KC

Call: 1983 QC: 2008



Practice Profile

Craig is a CEDR Accredited Mediator and a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He was appointed to serve on the first DCLG's Planning Mediation Services Panel. He has also written a number of articles on the subject of ADR in planning and compensation law.

He acted as Mediator in the following planning, compensation or land use related cases, relating to:

- the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Order 2016;
- contractual issues arising at a landfill site (methane gas to electricity generation);
- a section 106 TCPA 1990 dispute relating to infrastructure obligations;
- a claim concerning a blight notice served in relation to rights to be acquired as part of an energy related DCO project in the South West of England;
- a claim following a CPO relating to the regeneration and redevelopment of a new Arsenal Football Club;
- a claim following the compulsory purchase under s226 of the TCPA 1990 of property owned by a Housing Association;
- a claim concerning land/rights acquired and compensation as part of the Olympics 2012 development project;
- a claim under S237 of the TCPA 1990 following a town centre redevelopment scheme;

He has also acted as Mediator, Co-Mediator or Assistant Mediator in other cases involving a variety of issues eg landlord and tenant/rent arrears/licence/negligence/nuisance issues/employment/contract/ debts/loans and professional negligence.

View Craig Howell KC's general profile

Qualifications and Appointments

- BA (Hons), Leeds University
- Diploma in Law (University of Westminster)
- Band Award from Grays Inn
- Called to the Bar (1983 Grays Inn)
- Junior Counsel to the Crown B Panel (1993-1999)
- Appointed Queen's Counsel (2009)
- Chairman of the London Luton Airport Consultative Committee (S35 CAA 1982) (1999-2002)
- CEDR Accredited Mediator (2005)
- Trustee of Planning Aid for London (Registered Charity) (2007-2012)
- Lead Assistant Commissioner to the Boundary Commission for England (2012-2013)
- The DCLG's Planning Mediation Services Panel (2012-2015)
- RICS President's Mediation Panel (2010-)
- Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (2012-)
- RICS Accredited Evaluative Mediator (2017)

Professional Affiliations

- Planning and Environment Bar Association (1990-) (Secretary 1994-1996)
- Parliamentary Bar Mess (1990-)
- United Kingdom Environmental Law Association (2009-)
- National Planning Infrastructure Association (2012-)
- Compulsory Purchase Association (2012-)
- Civil Mediation Council (2009-14)
- RICS General Mediation Panel (2010-)
- Steering Group assisting Leonora Rozee in her report Planning in Mediation (2010) and in the Delivery of Recommendations Group (2011-12)
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (2012-)

Publications

- Expert Evidence and How to be a Good Witness (Journal of Planning Law 2010)
- Planning Ahead (Solicitor's Journal 2010) Mediation the Flexible Alternative (RICS Land Journal 2011)
- Mediation in Planning Related Disputes (Local Government Lawyer 2011)
- Mediation and Early Neutral Evaluation in the Lands Tribunal (JPEL 2013)
- There is another way (Solicitor's Journal 2013)
- The Duty to Co-operate is Not to be Taken Lightly (June 2016)

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Quotes

"a master strategist"

"a fantastic advocate and adviser"

"A go-to on planning and CPO matters"

"He has acute attention to detail"

"intellectually smart and astute"

"his cross-examination is courteous and polite but ruthlessly effective"

"great to work with, great with clients and gives top notch advice and representation".