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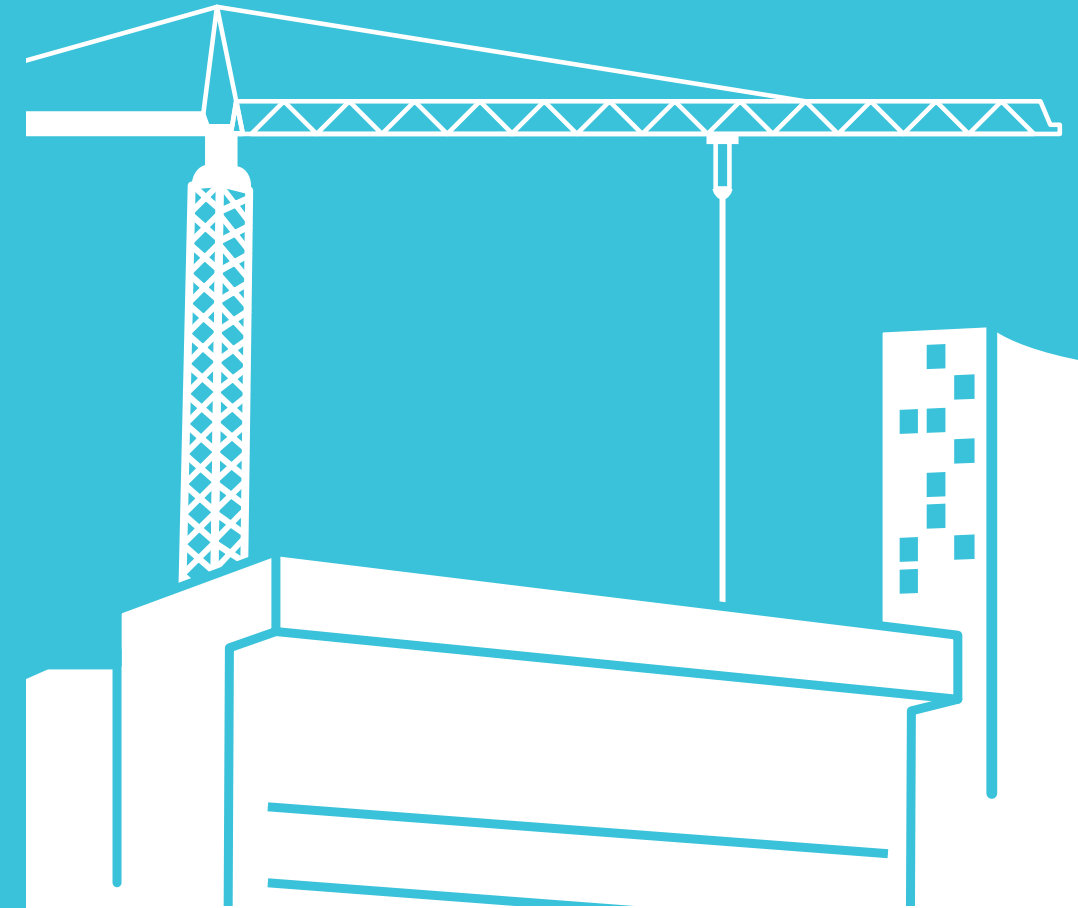
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# Planning & Environment Group

No5 Chambers has long been recognised as setting the standards in planning law. Acknowledged nationally as leading specialists in this field, we provide advocacy and advisory services across both the public and private sectors and are recognised as one of the leading sets of planning barristers in the country.

“It is clear that the set as a whole is not just talented, but at the cutting-edge of the important issues on planning.”

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## Planning

Housing some of the finest planning barristers in the country, No5 Chambers is recognised nationwide as one of the leading sets of chambers in the UK.

Widely regarded as ‘a first class set’, members offer clear and concise advice in writing or conference and have a wealth of advocacy experience representing clients at Hearings, Inquiries and in the High Court.

The Group, supported by a skilled and proactive clerking team, is a well-balanced team of QCs and junior barristers able to deal with matters at every level of complexity, ranging from commercial disputes to long running controversial public inquiries.

Experience includes the extension to Pinewood Studios, Rushden Lakes retail park, Thames Tideway Tunnel, major urban redevelopment at Wirral Waters, Rail Freight Interchange at Radlett, and mixed use developments at Northstowe, Gilston Park Estate Harlow, Alconbury Weald and Houghton Regis.

### Expertise includes:

- Airports
- Compulsory Purchase
- Development Plans
- Enforcement
- EIA
- Gypsies and Travellers
- Heritage
- Highways & Rights of Way
- High Court Litigation
- Industrial & Commercial
- Infrastructure
- Minerals
- Nature Conservation
- Ports
- Rating
- Regeneration
- Residential
- Retail
- Village Greens & Commons

## Environmental

No5 Chambers’ experienced team has maintained a fine track record in the most complex and cutting-edge environmental cases’. Members regularly appear in technically and legally complex cases before Inspectors, Criminal Courts, the High Court and Divisional Court.

Their long experience in dealing with these technical issues before a variety of tribunals is a particular strength. For example, members have been involved in many recently reported cases such as Gilbert [2014] EWHC 1952 (Admin) re noise and cumulative EIA, EMR ( [2013] Env. L.R. 14 ) re waste; Walker [2014] 1 Cr. App. R. 30; [2014] Env. L.R. 22 the first Court of Appeal case on the Environmental Permitting Regulations.

Members are presently instructed in water quality cases under the Environmental Damage Regulations and the Water Framework Directive, each being the first of its type.

### Expertise includes:

- Waste, water and contaminated land
- Drainage
- EIA
- Nature conservation and habitat Protection
- Noise
- Nuisance
- Environmental Permitting
- Odour

## Energy

Energy proposals are amongst the most controversial in the country. Members of the group have been involved in some of the most contentious and high profile energy projects.

The group has long experience of infrastructure work and has been instructed in many of the largest energy schemes in recent years including the Hinkley Point C nuclear power station, Fferm Wynt Llaithddu Wind Farm, Dudgeon Offshore Wind Farm, Asfordby Wind Farm, Caythorpe Gas Storage and energy from Waste plants in Derby, Hatfield and biomass at Barton.

### Expertise includes:

- Biomass
- Energy from Waste
- Related Infrastructure
- Nuclear
- Windfarms (on and off-shore)

## High Court Litigation

No5 Chambers has vast experience of representing clients throughout the Court process, from the Administrative Court right through to the Supreme Court. Members have been involved in some of the most topical and legally important cases of recent times. Notable cases include:

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South Northamptonshire Council v Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government & Barwood Land and Estates Ltd [2014] EWHC 573

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Tewkesbury BC v Secretary of State for Communities & Local Government, QB [2013] EWHC 286 (Admin); [2013] P.T.S.R. D33

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University of Bristol v North Somerset Council, QB [2013] EWHC 231 (Admin); [2013] J.P.L. 940

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Gallagher Homes Limited & Lioncourt Homes Limited v Solihull MBC [2014] EWHC 1283 (Admin)

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Grand Union Investments Limited v Dacorum Borough Council [2014] EWHC 1894 (Admin)

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Bloor Homes East Midlands Limited v Secretary of State for Communities & Local Government [2014] EWHC 754 (Admin)

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R. (Chalfont St Peter Parish Council) v Chiltern District Council, QB [2013] EWHC 1877 (Admin)

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San Vicente v Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, CA [2013] EWCA Civ 817; [2013] 29 E.G. 104 (C.S.)

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JS Bloor (Wilmslow) Ltd v Homes and Communities Agency, UT (Lands Chamber) [2013] UKUT 231 (LC)

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Tesco Stores Ltd v Dundee City Council, SC [2012] UKSC 13; [2012] P.T.S.R. 983

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R. (Holder) v Gedling Borough Council, QB [2013] EWHC 1611

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Kenya Aid Programme v Sheffield City Council, DC [2013] EWHC 54 (Admin); [2013] 3 W.L.R. 422

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R. (Prideaux) v Buckinghamshire County Council, QB [2013] EWHC 1054 (Admin); [2013] Env. L.R. 32

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Trafford BC v Secretary of State CLG and Peel Energy [2014] EWHC 424 (Admin)

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Cotswold DC v Secretary of State CLG and Hannick [2013] EWHC 3719 (Admin)

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Fox Land and Property Limited v Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government and Castle Point BC [2014] EWHC 15 (Admin)

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R. (on the application of Hampton Bishop Parish Council) v Herefordshire Council [2013] EWHC 3947 (Admin)

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Forest of Dean Friends of the Earth v Forest of Dean DC [2013] EWHC 1567

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