

Rowena Meager Planning and Environment

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Rowena's practice under the 'planning and environment umbrella' is largely concerned with new town and village green applications under the Commons Act 2006, highway related work, particularly the creation, modification and extinguishment of public rights of way (sometimes in the planning context where diversion / extinguishment is necessary to facilitate development), and issues arising out of the interplay between planning law and real property / commercial law such as the effect of restrictive freehold covenants relating to property and the interpretation of agreements relating to land in a planning context such as section 106 agreements or overage agreements.

Rowena has a wealth of inquiry experience, sitting as Inspector in the context of new town and village greens as well as appearing for the parties, and appearing for the parties in rights of way work. She also has a very busy advisory practice and she is happy to advise in writing or in conference.

Recent Inquiry experience, as well as approximately 16 appointments as Inspector by commons registration authorities, includes acting for landowners / developers in village green applications, advising commons registration authorities in respect of village green applications, acting for developers in the context of footpath diversion orders and extinguishment orders, and for landowners in response to applications for DMMOs to record new public rights of way.

Memberships

- Lincoln's Inn (Lord Denning, Hardwicke and Shelford Scholar and Buchanan Prize Winner)
- Denning Society (society of scholars of Lincoln's Inn)
- Property Bar Association
- Society of Legal Scholars
- Planning and Environment Bar Association

Qualifications

- LLB (Hons) (First Class)
- BCL (Oxon)
- BVC (graded 'Outstanding')
- Licensed for direct access
- Awarded a 'Lord Denning Scholarship', a 'Hardwicke Scholarship' and a 'Shelford Scholarship' by Lincoln's Inn
- Awarded a 'Buchanan Prize' by Lincoln's Inn for 'outstanding' BVC performance
- Awarded the 'Clifford Chance Prize' for best performance in Civil Procedure in the 2003 BCL examinations
- Awarded the 'Barnett Bequest' by Merton College, Oxford, to study for the BCL
- Awarded 'Linnels Pize' for best graduating undergraduate law student in her year