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Clients **value** Laurie's ability to dissect **complex heritage arguments**, and build a **strong** and **comprehensive** case in favour of **development**

Laurie has been Director of Icení's Heritage Team since January 2016, following five years of consultancy experience at RPS CgMs, and leads the firm's Townscape specialism, formally launched in 2018. He is an experienced, commercially minded heritage and townscape professional, whose focus and expertise lies in negotiating complex consents across a variety of scales.

He has a particularly detailed knowledge of policy and legislation and its application, gleaned and kept keen by significant and on-going public inquiry experience, and is also adept at inputting into the design process.

His experience ranges from urban, mixed use heritage-led regeneration schemes to strategic housing and infrastructure projects, and detailed work with sensitive, highly graded buildings and landscapes. He cut his teeth working on the redevelopment of London Bridge Station and leading on heritage matters in the delivery of an Outline Consent for Alconbury Weald, a major employment and residential development of the Second World War and Cold War airfield of RAF Alconbury.

He has gone on to develop, alongside his core development control work, particular expertise in listing rebuttals and Certificates of Immunity; advising on tall buildings projects; producing Townscape and Visual Impact Assessments; and appearing as an expert witness at inquiry. He is particularly enthusiastic about Brutalism, military architecture and anything slightly intimidating and built of concrete. In his 'spare' time he is a Trustee of the Crystal Palace Park Trust, which is in the process of taking over the Park from LB Bromley.