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Qualifications: MA (Cantab)

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AREAS OF EXPERTISE:
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Profile

Paul Tucker QC practices in the fields of planning, local government, environmental, CPO, CIL, logistics, infrastructure and highways. He is Head of Chambers and Head of the Planning Department.

He is Vice-Chair of the Planning and Environmental Bar Association.

He practices across the UK having acted in Wales, Scotland, the Isle of Man and England.

His private sector clients have included numerous national and regional developers, strategic land promotion companies, regeneration specialists as well as individuals. He has acted for most of the major national housebuilders, national retailers as well as large infrastructure providers. His public sector clients have included Government, Government Agencies, Development Agencies and very many local planning authorities.

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Fox Strategic Land Company v Chorley [2014] EWHC 1179 (Admin)

R (on the application of Cbre Lionbrook (General Partners) Ltd) v Rugby Borough Council & Hammerson (Rugby) Ltd [2014] EWHC 646 (Admin)

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Larkfleet Ltd v Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government [2012] EWHC 3592

Fox Strategic Land & Property Ltd v Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government [2012] J.P.L.

1. (on the application of Plunkett) v Sefton MDC [2011]EWHC 368 (Admin)
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R v Liverpool City Council exp Luxury Leisure Ltd (1999) LGR 345

R v Liverpool City Council and the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry exp Baby Products Association (2000) LGR 171

B & Q Plc v Liverpool & Lancashire Properties Ltd [2000] PLSCS 180

Memberships

PEBA (committee member)

ALBA

NIPA

UKELA

Appointments

Attorney General's Regional Panel 2007 to 2010

Head of Planning

Deputy Head of Chambers 2017 to date

Qualifications

MA (Cantab)

Recommendations

Chambers UK 2021

"He has very good tactical nous and he's good for strategy around a complex application." "Decisive and to the point with his advice."

"Inspires complete confidence with his extensive knowledge, and is very responsive and accessible." "He has a very quick mind."

Legal 500, 2021

"Paul always provides very commercial advice, and is great with clients."

"Approachable, he offers clients a proactive steer in their cases."

Legal 500, 2020

"He provides very commercial advice and is great with clients."

Chambers UK 2020

"He grasps extremely difficult points and then presents them in a way that people can understand." "He is very client-friendly and there doesn't seem to be anything that he can't do exceptionally well."

"Very straightforward, incredibly sharp and very personable." "He's a brilliant inquiry advocate, very good at cross-examining, and very good on his feet in the High Court."

Chambers UK 2018

"A very approachable individual who quickly builds a rapport with clients. He is decisive, to the point with his advice and an all-round excellent advocate." An outstanding advocate who is very in tune with clients and very personable."

"Personable, approachable and bright. He works well as part of a team and gives clients great confidence. He makes himself available and provides good pragmatic advice in a timely fashion."

Legal 500, 2018

'He has a knack for making complicated legal matters appear straightforward.'

'Brilliant with clients and skilled at straightening out complicated legal matters.'

'A highly accomplished advocate, who is excellent with clients.'

Chambers UK 2017

"He gives pragmatic advice and has a way of simplifying legal principles and practical ramifications so that clients are in a position to give instructions with confidence." "He is always very approachable and down-to-earth. He is direct in his advice, and is a hard-hitting QC who is very popular."

Legal 500, 2017

'Revered as a highly accomplished advocate.'

Chambers UK 2016

He is an excellent barrister. He is very thorough, and nothing is too much of a struggle for him: he'll come back to you at all hours." "An excellent advocate with an impressive character who provides thoughtful, analytical advice."

Chambers UK 2015

"He's bright, approachable and pragmatic - a team player." "He's very client-friendly. He gets into the skin of the client's business, and he's very effective."

Legal 500, 2014

"He thinks strategically, pragmatically and commercially"

Chambers UK 2013

"Highly accessible and easy to deal with, he is a lateral thinker who is quick off the mark".

Chambers and Partners, Band 1, Planning 2013: "undoubtedly already one of the leading planning barristers."

"He has a nationally based practice and is making a name for himself as a retail planning specialist."

Chambers UK 2012

"Paul Tucker QC is enjoying increased visibility in the market and his elevation to the level of silk is felt to be well deserved"

