

SUSTAINABILITY SERVICES...

PLANNING AND HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT/TOWNSCAPE

Supported by our Sustainability Team, our planning and heritage consultants advise clients on:

- **Best practice sustainable development**, including alignment with national policy requirements, the local policy environment and local place-based needs.
- Sustainability-related **planning strategy, including risks**, recommended **focus areas, stakeholder engagement** (delivery team, LPA etc.) and the scope and content of **supporting statements**.
- **The best ways to articulate the sustainability benefit of schemes**, to advance the planning process and sustainable development goal.

ASSET AND INVESTMENT ADVISORY

Supported by our Sustainability Team, we enable clients to integrate **sustainability and ESG into asset and investment management** to actively manage risk and make portfolios more attractive. Advice covers:

- **Sustainability strategy** (objectives, targets, KPIs), policies and procedures.
- **Programme management and implementation** (e.g. EPCs/MEES risk, net zero carbon, PV, EV roll-out, green leases, social value)
- **Procurement strategy**.
- **Performance monitoring, reporting and disclosure**.

STRATEGIC ADVISORY

Our strategic advisory team takes a holistic view to estate strategy, business cases and complex problem solving by **advising on the broader impact of decision making including the commercial, economic, social and environmental aspects**. Understanding sustainability strategy and impact on ESG forms a fundamental part of our approach to portfolio reviews and strategic asset management plans where we establish the environmental objectives any estate must achieve.

RATING

Our Rating team advise clients on:

- How to **budget for, manage and limit liability** associated with renewable energy facilities.
- **Reliefs and exemptions available** to owners and occupiers that encourage sustainable development or improvements, including qualifying plant and machinery.

DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY

We are the market leading Development Advisory team helping our public and private **clients unlock value from complex development projects**. Sustainability and ESG are fundamental pillars of this; we therefore guide and advise our clients on the associated policy context and the **viability and delivery** implications of such measures, working with the best technical advisers in the industry to do so.

VALUATION ADVISORY

Our Red Book-aligned commercial and residential valuations **factor sustainability and ESG into formal valuation reporting**, in line with recent RICS and wider best practice guidance.

RESIDENTIAL VALUATION ADVISORY

We advise on some of the largest and most innovative housing projects in the country. We advise on the **cost and value implications of environmental considerations at all stages of the development cycle** from master planning and scheme design, right through to delivery and beyond.

LEASING, INVESTMENT AND AGENCY

Our lease advisory teams are advising clients on **green leases**, and our investment colleagues are factoring **sustainability and ESG market trends** and potential capex requirements into their investment advice (**i.e. green premium, brown discount**).

OTHER

Additional cross-department sustainability capabilities are listed below:

- **RetroFix** – Our solution to the issue of office obsolescence driven by recent and significant structural changes in the office market (including EPCs/MEES, sustainability and ESG). For more, see [here](#).
- **ME:Estimate** – Our proprietary tool for generating a high-level estimate of capex required to improve a building to EPC B (in line with the next anticipated level of MEES).
- **Training** – Our Sustainability Team routinely provides clients and internal teams with sustainability-related CPD and upskilling.
- **Market and Regulatory Insight** – Our Sustainability Team advises clients on market drivers, trends, best-in-class positioning, and national and local policy and regulation.