

Oli Haydon

Planning Officer | International Planning MA | Climate Change MSc

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// About Me

I'm an inquisitive, enthusiastic and driven individual who is always asking questions and seeking answers. Throughout my higher education and working life I've endeavoured to better understand the natural environment and our relationship with it.

I spent the past 4 years studying Geography BSc (2:1) and Climate Change and Risk Management MSc (Merit) at the University of Exeter, a Russell group university ranked 8th highest in the country. I have experience working as a research team leader, using large GIS databases and undertaking self-initiated research projects. My academic expertise lies in communicating meteorological hazards and climate change science to a wider audience across a range of stakeholders. I have extensive experience with the UK planning system and have dealt with a number of major applications, alongside hundreds of minor applications during my time at East Cambs District Council.

I'm more than comfortable leading a team or simply being a key member of one. I am hard-working and determined to fight for the best job opportunities that become available for a young, excited and successful graduate. I pride myself on my presentation skills, both visually and orally and I am hoping it is this skill among others that helps me reach the top of my career.

// Education

2015-2017 International Planning & Sustainable Development MA University of Westminster

2012-2013 Climate Change & Risk Management MSc Merit University of Exeter

2009-2012 Geography BSc 2:1 University of Exeter

International Planning and Sus Dev MA:


This course is aimed at built environment professionals and others with a relevant background who wish to gain an in-depth understanding of planning and sustainable development. Through the course I examined the growing problems of sustainable development facing cities, regions and communities in a rapidly urbanising world, subject to growing climate change and other environmental, economic and social pressures and risks.

Key modules included:

- Urban Risk and Resilience
- Sustainable Cities and Neighbourhoods
- International Spatial Planning
- Planning in a Globalising World

// Skills

Professional Skills

Microsoft Office	
Windows	
Adobe CS6	
ArcGIS	
RAMMS	
C	
Python	

English - Native
German - Conversational
French - Elementary Proficiency

Oli Haydon

East Cambridgeshire Employee of the Year and 2012 Torchbearer

// About Me

I am a keen runner and pride myself in my charity work and my entrepreneurial streak. I had the honour of running with the London 2012 Olympic Torch in July because of both my charity work and my eye for innovation that was quoted by my sponsor, Coca-Cola as 'an inspiration to young people across the country'.

I love to travel on a budget and my most memorable trip abroad was a few years ago when I visited the Lofoten Islands in Arctic Norway and slept beneath the midnight sun, although my visits to Skaftafellsjokull in Iceland and touring across New Zealand and Australia were unforgettable experiences.

Outside of work, I manage and produce a successful YouTube channel which is part of an international food/drink network.

Fundraising

I've raised money for a range of charities such as CLIC Sargent, Barnardos and Comic Relief from a variety of events including the Great North Run, the London Nun Run, the BIG London Conga and the Sport Relief Mile. In April 2014, I raised over £1500 for CLIC Sargent by running the London Marathon.

// Experience

2015-

Planning Officer *East Cambridgeshire District Council*

I began my career at East Cambridgeshire District Council as a 'Planning Assistant' dealing with general administrative tasks, IT problems and small applications. Two months into the position, I was promoted to a Planning Officer and have since dealt with a number of major applications (British Racing School, Newmarket Town FC, several stud developments) and hundreds of minor applications and householders. I have been complimented by all members of the Planning Committee on my natural presentation skills and my enthusiasm for the job. I was awarded Employee of the Year in December 2016 following my nomination from the Committee members. I began the ECDC Planning twitter pages and have been a key part of the development of the new website and the wider 'Transformation Programme'. At the request of the planning Manager, I delivered presentation training to the department in 2016.

2014

Researcher/Presentation Assistant *The Innovation Group*

During a month-long internship at the Innovation Group, I worked under the supervision of Anna-Lisa Mills; the Group Sustainability Manager. I was tasked with synthesising various reports and papers into a variety of formats; to be delivered to the Innovation Group management team. I produced a short presentation outlining the risks and opportunities that climate change poses to the company's global operations and customer base. I compiled larger and more detailed climate change report for future distribution by the company.

2013-2014

Supervisor/Online Manager *The Lamb Inn, West Wittering*

After working at the Lamb Inn for a matter of weeks, I was offered a position as a supervisor. This involved taking charge of the responsibilities of waiting staff on certain shifts, communicating with the kitchen on a regular basis, dealing with complaints and opening/closing the premises. This position was especially rewarding since I initially applied for a waiting staff position but within weeks was handed a set of keys to the pub. Since leaving the Lamb Inn, I have taken up the responsibility of designing and maintaining the pub's website which was in much need of a makeover. I regularly update the content along with provide the landlord with analytics reports from GA and marketing materials for upcoming events.

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