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Director

Paul is a Director at Civic Engineers (formerly Stockley), which he joined in 2016. Prior to this between 1999 and 2016 Paul was a Founding Director at CCE Leeds which has since become Civic Engineers.

Paul is a structural engineer with 27 years' experience in design and multi-disciplinary project management, with a broad range of project experience in most building sectors. Paul joined WSP in January 1999 as an Associate where he project managed a number of major, multi-disciplinary projects, co-ordinating WSP's engineering services and acting as the link between the Design Team/Client and WSP. As a Technical Director he was responsible, as part of the management team, for the financial and design performance of projects within the office of twenty technical staff and with specific responsibility for a core project delivery team of ten engineering. From 2009 to 2012 Paul was responsible for implementing WSP's policy to develop a multi-discipline offshoring design team in Delhi, India. Paul left WSP on January 2012 to set up his own Civil and Structural Engineering consultancy with the aim of developing a team of skilled and motivated professionals with the ability to deliver economic engineering solutions to our clients. Prior to WSP, Paul worked at HJT Consulting Engineers from 1995 to 1999 and Birkett Stevens Colman Partnership (1987 to 1995). Paul completed a Master in Civil Engineering at the University of Leeds from 1983 to 1987 and became a chartered engineer in 1991.

Reason for Selection and Value Brought

Paul has a close working relationship with GMI Construction and understands their key drivers, aspirations and requirements for successful project delivery and understands the importance of a fully co-ordinated engineering solution based on robust investigation work. Paul has a track record in the management of complex, multi-disciplinary engineering projects and is well placed to oversee the civil and structural engineering services in order to deliver cost efficient solutions.



Major Building Projects

- Haymarket Retail Centre, Leicester - Senior Project Engineer for a complex refurbishment and new build retail development of this city centre site. Phase 1 of the project involved the refurbishment of the existing Haymarket Shopping Centre including 30,000m² of new retail space, structural modifications within the existing building fabric and new plant rooms. Major refurbishment of the central mall area including the design of the structure to support a new barrel vaulted, glazed roof. Phase 2 of the scheme consisted of demolition and partial retention of the existing Lewis's building and construction of an 8,500m² retail shopping complex. Value £60m
- New Civic Building, Rotherham - Project Director for the redevelopment of this 22 acre town centre site for mixed commercial, government, educational and residential use, responsible for delivery of civil, structural, MEP, geo-environmental, remediation and Infrastructure services. The first phase of development was to construct a new office and council chambers building for Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council with associated infrastructure. Value £40m
- Fradley Park, Lichfield - Project Manager/Director co-ordinating a multi-disciplinary appointment which included structural, civil, infrastructure, geotechnical and environmental engineering for the development of 250,000m² of warehousing and associated infrastructure with unit sizes ranging from 5,000m² to 80,000m² at former MOD airfield. Key role was the development of economic strategies for earthworks management, drainage and highways and the subsequent phased implementation of these strategies to match the client's construction requirements. Value £60m
- Student Accommodation, Plaza Leeds - Project Director responsible for the co-ordination of structural, civil and geotechnical engineering services for the re-development of the development of a city centre site to provide 950 bed student accommodation building and associated retail and leisure facilities including a 35 storey reinforced concrete framed tower. Value £43m