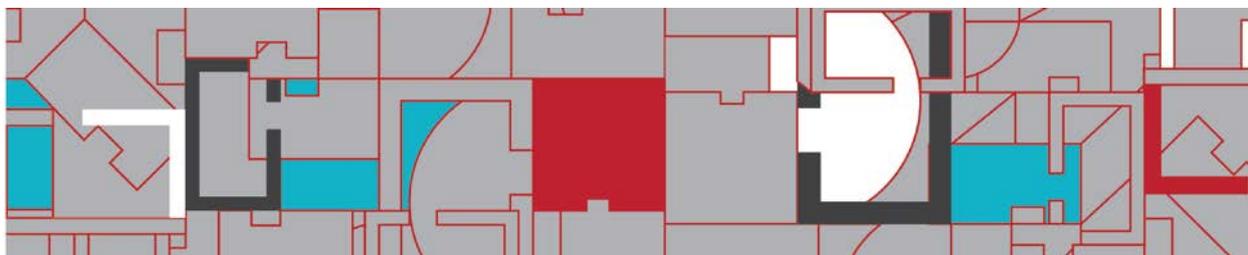


## Place Alliance Summer School

### Transforming Cities, Towns and Public Spaces through Placemaking

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### Contributors Bio



**Prof Matthew Carmona, Chair, UCL, Place Alliance**

*Professor of Planning & Urban Design at UCL's Bartlett School of Planning*

Matthew's research has focused on urban design, processes of design governance and on the design and management of public space.

Matthew was educated at the University of Nottingham and is a chartered architect and planner. He chairs the Place Alliance which brings together organisations and individuals who share a belief that the quality of the built environment has a profound influence on people's lives.

Matthew was Specialist Advisor to the House of Lords Select Committee on National Policy for the Built Environment and in 2015 won the RTPi Academic Award for Research Excellence.



**Annemarie de Boom, studio REAL**

*Director*

Annemarie is an urban designer with 20 years of experience advising private and public sector clients on a wide range of projects, from spatial plans and masterplans for growing towns to design frameworks, regeneration strategies and streetscape designs for established urban areas.

She graduated in 1996 from Delft University of Technology before joining the urban design unit at Colin Buchanan. Here she contributed to, and eventually led, multi-disciplinary teams preparing town and city centre regeneration strategies in London, Lincoln, Belfast, Ipswich and Coventry. She was also extensively involved in streetscape design, introducing placemaking principles to transport planning and highway engineering projects.

In 2008, after also having worked at practices in Sydney and Rotterdam, Annemarie joined studio | REAL. Here she led urban design studies in towns across the UK, including Didcot, Barkingside, Gainsborough, Guildford, Havant and Hillingdon. Annemarie has a long-term role as design advisor to Newhall Projects Ltd, landowners at Newhall, a new neighbourhood of 2,500 homes in Harlow. For five years she was responsible for the yearly update of the Urban Design Compendium 2 for the Homes and Communities Agency on the delivery of quality places and more recently she worked with the Design Commission for Wales on a Guide to Site Analysis.

**Jane Dann, Tibbalds**

*Director*



Jane is an Architect, Urban Designer and Planner, and Managing Director of Tibbalds. She has a broad background in urban design and planning practice including masterplans and development frameworks, spatial policy, design guidance and characterisation, urban design training and research. More recently, she has specialised in design and heritage advice.

She advises local planning authorities, development and design teams on masterplans and large-scale development proposals, focusing on urban design and architectural design quality and impacts on heritage. Jane was heritage and masterplanning advisor to the Hackney Wick Central Masterplan, which won the NLA Masterplanning Award and was commended for the Overall NLA Award in 2016. In 2013, the Lyng Estate Regeneration was shortlisted as a MADE 20 project, one of the 20 best projects in the West Midlands over the previous 5 years. Jane led the masterplan for Sandwell Council and partners and was technical design advisor through an OJEU process to procure a developer partner. She was joint leader of the Tibbalds and UCL research programme into design coding over two years for CABE, CLG and English Partnerships and contributed to “Design Coding: A Practice Guide”, published for CLG in 2006. In 1994, Jane led the Wimbledon Town Centre Case Study published in the DoE’s Urban Design Campaign: Quality in Town and Country exhibition and publication.

In 2016, Jane was a member of the judging panel for the Hackney Design Awards. She is a member of Historic England’s London Advisory Committee and is also on Design Review Panels for Southwark, Camden and Design South East.

**Katja Stille, Tibbalds**

*Associate Director*



Katja is an Urban Designer and an Associate Director of Tibbalds. She specialises in large scale projects, spatial strategies and design policy.

Katja works with public sector bodies, private landowners and their teams to develop masterplans and development frameworks to help bring forward development. She undertakes characterisation studies, case studies and urban design appraisals, and her work on design coding has helped shape government guidance. Her expertise includes town centre regeneration where a development framework for Romford is a recent example, which was shortlisted as a finalist in the category “Planning for Housing Growth” at the National Planning and Placemaking Awards 2016. This aimed to maximise opportunities for the town when Crossrail arrives in 2018. Katja’s ability to take a strategic overview allowed her to bring together design, placemaking and viability considerations to create a forward thinking, workable evidence base for the new Local Plan. She also provides strategic urban design advice on the delivery of large-scale developments, including the new town of Northstowe, Cambridgeshire.

Katja loves a challenge and brings new thinking to each project, focussing on strategic definition, upholding good design and placemaking principles and unlocking issues around delivery. Above all, she is a trusted adviser to her clients, a ‘go to’ problem solver who understands and cares about the fine detail of every project, what it needs and how she can help. Her positive, problem-solving approach and ability to retain a strategic overview de-risks projects and amplifies the potential impacts of good design.

She is an Associate Member of the RTPI, an UDG Recognised Practitioner in Urban Design, and a member of the UDG Executive Committee.



**Sangeetha Banner, URBED**

*Planner and Urbanist*

Sangeetha has worked as a Planner at URBED since 2012, joining after graduating from the University of Manchester with a First Class Masters in Town and Country Planning.

Sangeetha has extensive experience of producing urban design analysis plans, preparing material for planning applications and putting together baseline studies on sites of varying scales using GIS software, vectorworks and the adobe creative suite. She recently put together a Design and Access Statement and Design Code and Regulatory Plan Package for clients Siglion, for a 750 home residential development at Chapelgarth, South Sunderland.

Sangeetha plays an active role in all of URBED's consultation work in terms of organising and advertising events, producing highly professional material, project specific websites and facilitating at workshops and exhibitions. She is currently coordinating the consultation strategy for the Canal & River Trust's 300 home site at Sharpness Docks and has recently started work on the baseline analysis and consultation elements for three sites in Sunderland, for the Joint Venture Siglion.

Sangeetha is Manchester Events Coordinator on the committee of the North West Young Planners group and a member of the Manchester Women's Design Group who meet quarterly to discuss issues concerned with women and the built environment.



**Victoria Payne, URBED**

*Planner and Urban Designer*

Vicky joined URBED in January 2015, from development consultancy Hallam Land Management. Her role at Hallam involved managing large schemes through the planning process, instructing and liaising with the consultant team, engaging with key stakeholders including the community and identifying logical sites for development. This client side experience has enhanced her understanding of planning and urban design.

Within URBED Vicky works on a wide variety of planning, urbanism and design related multi-disciplinary projects, both producing work and acting as a project manager.

Vicky studied at The University of Manchester graduating with a First Class Masters in Town and Country Planning, focusing particularly on urban design. Her dissertation comprised a design study identifying regeneration opportunities around Victoria Station in Manchester. During the course Vicky also worked part time at an urban design consultancy where she was involved in character studies, masterplanning and community consultation. Vicky is interested in global approaches to development; she spent half of her second year studying in Hong Kong and has also spent a summer working for a charity in Calcutta, India.

Vicky was a member of the RTPI North West Young Planners committee for 3 years, helping to plan and promote their activities. With Sangeetha she now runs 4x4 Manchester an annual series of "Ted Talk" style urban design events which seek to challenge how people think about the built environment.

She is passionate about engaging with people on matters of urban design, and has undertaken workshops and presentations for students from the University of Manchester, University of Liverpool and New York University.



**Kwame Ohene-Adu, HTA Design**

*Senior Associate, Senior Architect*

Kwame joined in HTA as an architectural assistant in 2007 and qualified as an architect in 2008. Kwame studied at Oxford Brookes University up until his Diploma before completing his RIBA Part 3 at Kingston University.

After qualifying for his RIBA Part II, he worked on a range of projects including speculative commercial buildings, residential developments, hotels and infrastructure in the UK, Africa and the Middle East. At HTA Kwame has led the delivery of key projects such as the 3rd and final phase of the Market Estate Regeneration and the Morningside Estate Regeneration amongst others, as a project architect responsible for the design, client liaison and coordination of the consultant team. Kwame was also the project architect for the bid-winning redevelopment of the former Queen Elizabeth Children’s Hospital from the planning stages through to detail design and delivery on site, later taking on a role as a team lead with an overview of a portfolio of projects while mentoring and developing project architects overseeing the day-to-day running of schemes. Kwame also provided the structural material, and modular strategy for the shortlisted entry for 2013’s Sunday Times Britain’s Future Home Competition.

Kwame is currently leading on the delivery of a volumetric offsite manufacture scheme for Essential Living. The development comprises 249 dwellings for the Build-To-Rent sector, distributed across 2 buildings of 11 and 22 storeys. The scheme also includes flexible commercial floor space and a nursery at ground floor.



**Andrew Kavanagh, HTA Design**

*Senior Urban Designer*

Andrew is an Urban Designer at HTA. He joined the practice in 2013 and has 8 years’ experience of working on a wide variety of mixed-use projects.

Andrew completed his BA in Architecture at Lincoln University and then went on to complete his Diploma at Oxford Brookes University. He then pursued an MA in Urban Design, also at Oxford Brookes, and the dissertation went on to win an award for the level of research.

Since his arrival at HTA, Andrew has been involved in several major Urban Design projects. Firstly, he has been heavily involved in the development of the Aylesbury Estate in South London. This is a 28ha regeneration scheme comprised of 3000+ homes and community facilities. His contribution was to the concept and design of the proposed masterplan, evolving urban strategies and taking responsibility for the production of the Design Code.

He has also been working extensively on the New Brent Cross proposal. At over 8000+ homes, this is one of the largest Urban Design projects in the practice and Andrew has been a key team member in creating concepts and strategies, in-depth urban analysis and informed design proposals.



**Scott Adams, HTA**

*Senior Associate, Senior Designer*

Scott is a passionate urbanist with qualifications in architecture and urban design. He has led a range of complex public and private-led master planning and regeneration schemes in the UK, Australia and the USA.

He excels in developing public realm-led design from site to city scales, collaborating and leading multi-disciplinary teams, and liaising with key stakeholders and community groups. Scott is a Senior Associate with

HTA, where he is tasked with growing the Urbanism Unit as he contributes to larger scale, mixed use schemes.

He has contributed to a range of large scale, residential-led projects, including Rochester Riverside, Burgess Park Creative Quarter, Sheerwater Regeneration as well as innovation projects such as Supurbia. Previous to this, Scott led the design development of Fisherman's Bend at the City of Melbourne, a vision to transform the 151-hectare site into the new city centre; and contributed to the Southbank Blueprint, a \$1m strategy to activate and bring vitality to the arts quarter adjacent to the city centre. He was also a co-director of Urban Design Skills in Central London, leading innovative and collaborative placemaking, design training and community engagement initiatives. Additionally, Scott is co-author of Quality Reviewer and a member of the South and East design panel.



**Rob Cowan, Urban Design London (UDS)**

*Director*

Rob Cowan is an urbanist, trainer, writer and director of the consultancy UDS. He is editor of Context, the journal of the Institute of Historic Building Conservation.



His publications include *The Dictionary of Urbanism*; *The Connected City*; *Urban Design Guidance*; three design guides for the Scottish Government; and a book of his cartoons, *Plandemonium*. With Kelvin Campbell he was the joint author of *By Design* (the UK government's first urban design guidance), *Re:Urbanism* and, most recently, *The Radical Incrementalist*.

Rob has originated three urban design methods: the Placecheck method of urban design audit; the skills appraisal method Capacitycheck; and the design appraisal method Qualityreviewer. His cartoon videos are at [www.plandemonium.org](http://www.plandemonium.org) and he tweets @cowanrob.

**Valentina Giordano, UCL, Place Alliance**

*Urban Designer, Research Associate*



Valentina is a Research Associate at the Bartlett School of Planning where she manages the Place Alliance. She is an urban designer and planner with over 15 years' UK experience including professional consultancy (urban design and streetscape intervention), academic research and teaching.

She has a degree in Town Planning and a Postgraduate Diploma and MSc in Urban Design from the Bartlett School of Architecture, UCL. She's a Chartered Member of RTPI and an Urban Design Group Recognised Practitioner. She joined the Place Alliance management team at UCL following her time at Farrells where she was hired to liaise with UCL on the development of the Place Alliance and the Farrell Review. At the Bartlett Valentina has taught for several years on a number of undergraduate and postgraduate courses. She also continues to work as an urban design consultant on both public and private sector projects.



