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## Peter Village KC

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The principal areas of Peter Village KC's practice are planning and environmental law, compulsory purchase and related public law and commercial disputes. His planning practice covers the full range of developments including residential, retail, airports and infrastructure projects.

Peter has been a planning and environmental law litigator since he started at the bar. He was recognised by Chambers and Partners as their 'Planning & Environment Silk of the Year' in 2012. He is acclaimed for his tenacious and robust advocacy and his determination to see his clients win.

# Areas of expertise

Planning and Environment Aviation and Aerospace

### Aviation and Aerospace

Peter is very experienced in aviation matters, having acted for the successful promoters of Robin Hood Airport, Doncaster. He also acted for TUI in its successful defence of enforcement proceedings relating to the operation of Coventry Airport. He acted for London Ashford Airport in its proposals to lengthen the runway and introduce commercial passenger operations.

He recently acted for TAG Aviation resisting a claim under Section 1 Land Compensation Act said to arise out of works at Farnborough Airport.

#### Recommendations

Peter is recommended as a Leading Silk (Band 1) in Planning Law by Chambers and Partners. The Legal 500 also recommends him as a Leading Silk in Planning Law.

He is a top ranked Silk in the annual Planning Magazine Survey.

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  The Legal 500
- "A top-notch leading counsel with strong cross-examination skills, whose commitment is exceptional." Chambers and Partners
- "A very effective advocate with a good strategic brain, who is very commercial in his dealings with clients." Chambers and Partners
- "Has a great ability to get on top of a huge volume of factual information" The Legal 500
- "A force of nature the man to go to if you have a very difficult case." Chambers and Partners
- "Very robust and committed to the client's cause. A real street fighter when the chips are down."

  Chambers and Partners
- "Simply fantastic to work with, and delivers an excellent service to clients." The Legal 500
- "A passionate and effective advocate, who is enthusiastic and committed to his clients' cause." "He is very robust. He doesn't take any nonsense, is user-friendly, is very direct and to the point, and quickly gets to the nub of the issue." Chambers and Partners
- "received unanimous praise from interviewees for being a 'highly skilled advocate who quickly identifies the relevant issues and works well within a team." Chambers and Partners
- "His "robust advocacy" means he "remains a go-to presence at the Bar," Chambers and Partners
- "He is fiercely loyal to his clients and regularly delivers work of the highest quality." Chambers and Partners
- "a tenacious advocate with a keen eye for weaknesses in the opposition's arguments." Chambers and Partners
- "absolutely excellent, [he] has the ability to dissect an argument from the other side's point of view and always has a well-rounded view of case" Chambers and Partners
- "a fiercely loyal and highly effective advocate who performs to a consistently high level for many extremely important clients" Chambers and Partners
- "quite simply a winner, devastating on his feet, and absolutely compelling, [he has] brilliant cross examination skills and can absorb rooms full of documentation with ease" Chambers and Partners
- "a tremendous and aggressive advocate, who doesn't beat around the bush, and is hands-on from the start. As one client put it: in my darkest hour he never lost his determination to win the case for me" Chambers and Partners
- "impressive commercial acumen, he is seen as a "go to" guy for any significant housing development" The Legal 500

### **Appointments**

- Appointed by the Chairman of the Bar to the Bar Council/Law Society Joint Tribunal on Fees Disputes.
- Governor, Repton School

### Memberships

- ALBA
- PEBA

• Compulsory Purchase Association

# Qualifications

- Repton
- Leeds University
- Inns of Court School of Law

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