

Deborah Honan Senior Development Officer – Landscape Architect

Bachelor of Arts First Class (Hons) Landscape Architecture, Dip LA (Diploma in Landscape Architecture), CMLI (Chartered Member of the Landscape Institute)

Deborah is a Chartered Landscape Architect with over 15 years' experience and has worked at Solihull MBC since 2008. Prior to Solihull Council, Deborah worked in private practice and in the voluntary sector (Groundwork Birmingham and Solihull). In addition to working with and for Council colleagues, Deborah has worked with community and 'Friends of' groups, housing associations, school/nursery teachers and children, architects, artists and private clients. Previous projects include ball courts and play areas, grass and artificial cricket pitches, park masterplans focusing on improved access and biodiversity, brown/green roofs, landscape and visual assessments, and local street improvements.

While at the Solihull Council, Deborah has worked on projects ranging in value from £500 to £600K; these include Shirley Park Improvements, Widney Manor Cemetery Extension, Woodlands Green Park, and numerous school playing field drainage schemes and sports pitch creation, playground enhancements including those funded by Section 106 secured at planning and through the Playbuilder scheme.

Deborah is one of the officers who provide advice as a statutory consultee to the planning office regarding landscape matters, this ranges from householder applications, carrying out Tempo Assessment to determine tree preservation orders, to large scale housing developments and Section 106 contributions for public open space and play.

Most recently Deborah has been involved with a number of projects within the ERDF Solihull Habitats and Nature Improvements Project, ranging from grassland and woodland management schemes to tree planting across Elmdon Ward.

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