

Curriculum Vitae

NAME: John Sim

NATIONALITY British

PROFESSIONAL Member of the Institute of Acoustics

CURRENT ACTIVITY 2003 - 2005 Senior Consultant
2005 - current Associate



Applied Acoustic Design, Staines

Much of John's work relates to town & country planning matters, mainly in the support of planning applications, particularly for motorist's centres nationally as well as for mineral extraction sites and unusual land uses. John also assesses residential development proposals with respect to the requirements of the NPPF, in the main the primary noise source in these projects is adjacent road or railway traffic. John is a senior atmospheric noise propagation modeller at AAD and has carried out over 120 such assignments covering noise from road and rail traffic, quarry developments, fast fit motorist centres, ground running of aircraft and high speed private road complexes. Ten of these noise models have been tested at Public Inquiry. John has experience in the preparation and presentation of evidence at Planning Appeals, in particular

28 Planning Appeals including;

Planning Consent for Motorist Centres;
Residential development at Highworth;
Outdoor Activity Centre.

John has also assessed "after the fact" the difference between a carpeted floor and a laminated timber floor pursuant to a "no worse" lease condition at Cadogan Estates and for a County Court action with respect of carrying out such refurbishment without benefit of Licence from the freeholders. Pivotal references included Napier University study undertaken on behalf of the Scottish Assembly investigating the proliferation of laminated floors in residential dwellings.

John has provided evidence for two recent court cases, the client represented by AAD in one case was awarded substantial damages and the other case was settled out of court in favour of the AAD client.

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

1993 – 2003

**Senior Acoustic Consultant
W A Hines & Partners**

John was the retained noise consultant for a major fast fit tyre company and dealt with a number of sites with respect to obtaining planning consent. He gave evidence at public inquiries at appeals against refusal of planning consent. John also carried out projects with respect to assessing the likely levels of noise from the development of quarries and waste transfer stations, including the noise of vehicles accessing the sites, and providing advice with respect to ameliorating the noise to nearby residential properties. He also carried out assessments of the levels of noise that was likely to affect proposed residential developments adjacent to existing transport noise sources and, where necessary, advice as to noise screening to reduce site noise levels to meet the standards set out in PPG24.

1991 – 1993

Senior Acoustic Consultant, Wimpey Environmental,

John had day to day supervision of three consultants, two students and a technician. His work included carrying out CE certification testing under the NAMAS scheme for construction plant, machinery and power tools. John also carried out projects with respect to proposed residential developments adjacent to existing noise sources (both industrial and transport), investigation of acoustic and vibration problems and the specification of remedial measures.

1989 – 1991

**Acoustic Consultant, Sound Research Laboratories,
Sunbury on Thames**

John dealt with the acoustic design of office accommodation, the specification of plant, including attenuators, the investigation of acoustic problems and specification of remedial measures, and the acoustic commissioning and snagging of the BBC White City office development.

1988 – 1989

**Acoustic Consultant
Sypol Limited**

John planned and carried out various noise surveys with respect to noise at work and advised on appropriate measures to control the noise exposure of employees. Surveys were also carried out with respect to controlling noise from plant which was the subject of complaint and specifying measures for reducing the levels of noise.

1980 – 1988

**Environmental Health Officer (Pollution)
Bexley London Borough**

1986 Institute of Acoustics Diploma in Acoustics
1988 Completed taught part of MSc in Environmental Acoustics, South Bank Polytechnic, London

John was employed as a District EHO within a geographical area of Bexley Borough and as a specialist pollution control officer throughout the Borough. John's work in pollution control included giving evidence at public inquiry with respect to proposed developments adjacent to existing noise sources and in court with respect to nuisance.

1978 – 1980

**Environmental Health Officer,
Kirkcaldy District Council, Fife**

1980 Scottish Institute of Environmental Health Certificate in Noise and Vibration control

John carried out the work of an EHO within a geographical area of Kirkcaldy District including noise investigations and nuisance action.

1974 – 1978

**Student Environmental Health Officer
Kirkcaldy District Council, Fife**

1976 Intermediate Certificate in Sanitary Science, Napier College, Edinburgh

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