



Colin Dingwall – Associate Director

Former Cabinet Member for Housing
Thames Valley, South West and West of England

Colin has always been interested in politics and became actively involved when joining his local parish council in Crawley Oxfordshire in 1995 which he currently chairs. He was elected to West Oxfordshire District Council in 2006 and served as chairman of Finance Overview & Scrutiny then Cabinet Member for Housing, Innovation and 20/20 Vision.

Colin created a new housing model with local institutional landowners now being promoted nationwide, which increased the provision of affordable housing while also improving financial security and returns for landowners. This started at a prominent estate in Oxfordshire and has now become a blue-print for other similar estates across the UK.

Colin proved himself to be a natural problem solver by creating a match funded scheme that provided high speed fibre broadband coverage to every property giving this entirely rural district some of the fastest broadband provision in the UK. (1 Gig upload/download speeds).

Following the 2008 financial crash 20/20 Vision brought four Councils together to share all back-office functions by creating a new council owned company. Colin was pivotal in setting up "Publica" to provide services for West Oxon, Cotswold, Forest of Dean and Cheltenham District and Borough Councils. This collaboration saved the councils millions, resulting in no cuts to any services and has built an extensive network of contacts for Colin across the Thames Valley, West of England and South West and is known as the man who saved Councils millions of pounds.

Specialist expertise

- Joint Council service commissioning
- Major Infrastructure works
- Local Plan (Former Cabinet Member who delivered a Local Plan)
- General Planning (Former cabinet member responsible for Planning)
- Green Field development

Geographic areas

- Thames Valley
- West and South-West of England
- Bristol

Achievements

- 40+ successful development projects across the UK