



**BARR PROPERTY
& PLANNING**

Continual Progress

CORPORATE PROFILE

COMPANY OVERVIEW

Barr Property & Planning (BP&P) specialises in combining strategic thinking with practical planning advice and development expertise.

The firm has a diverse team, experienced and qualified in planning, economics, design, marketing and surveying; and has a clear understanding of all aspects of the approval procedure, including cost and time involved to finalise projects.

Skilled guidance is assured – from a logical assessment process, to the facilitation of meetings with relevant government agencies, the submission of applications to government and importantly, the follow through to determination.

Supported by a culture of continuous improvement and progress, BP&P's mission is to deliver quality and timely customer service along all stages of the planning and development process.

SERVICES

Barr Property & Planning brings together land owners and developers who require a focussed approach on development assessments and approvals. To ensure every requirement is addressed, BP&P works with a range of highly professional sub-consultants who bring their expertise to the practice. BP&P also works with your existing team or consultants who can share specific site knowledge including;

- Feasibility
- Strategy
- Development
- Assessment and Approval
- Economic and Social Impact

Experience

- Large infrastructure projects - train support facilities, wind farms, roads and power lines
- Subdivisions - residential, rural and industrial
- Residential buildings - units, town houses, affordable housing and over 55s
- Industrial - service stations, oil blending plants, industrial sheds, port related facilities
- Extractive industries and waste management - including quarries, crushing and recycling facilities

Services

- Potential yield and approval paths for feasibility assessments
- Desktop assessments - identifying risks and ways to manage them early in the process
- Rezoning
- Environmental assessments
- Preparation of Development Applications

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- Provide specific technical planning advice (Section 94 advice or VPA)
- Liaise with local government and other authorities to understand and deliver your project
- Determine the best approval path and structure of your consent to meet your financial and budget time frames

SPECIALISED SERVICES

Whilst offering a broad range of assessment, planning and development services Barr Property & Planning is highly experienced in the following four sectors.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Experience

- Train support facilities
- Wind farms
- Roads
- Power lines
- Route selection
- Port related development
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIS) and Review of Environmental Factors
- Both private sector and government clients

Services

- Route selection - environmental and ownership considerations
- Desktop assessments - identifying risks and ways to manage them early in the process
- Environmental assessments - EIS, REF, Development Applications
- Understanding of easements including 88B instruments
- Liaise with local government and other authorities to understand and deliver your project
- Determine the best approval path and structure of your consent to meet your financial and budget time frames

AFFORDABLE/AGED CARE HOUSING & RESIDENTIAL

Experience

- Residential buildings – units, town houses, dual occupancies and affordable housing units
- Residential subdivision
- Strata and community subdivision
- Reduce build cost and time frames around delivery of subdivisions
- Understanding easements including 88B instruments
- Affordable Housing schemes in new subdivisions
- Manufactured Home sites
- Aged Care units - owner occupier schemes/strata subdivided services

Services

- Potential yield and approval paths for feasibility assessments
- Desktop assessments - identifying risks and ways to manage them early in the process
- Site suitability certificates
- Assessment of suitability of land adjoining residential land - Site Suitability Certificates
- Rezoning
- Masterplans
- Environmental assessments
- Preparation of Development Applications
- Provide specific technical planning advice, for example section 94 advice or VPA.
- Liaise with local government and other authorities to understand and deliver your project
- Understanding of engineering requirements including servicing, drainage and road design
- Determine the best approval path and structure of your consent to meet your financial and budget time frames

INDUSTRIAL

Experience

- 200 hectare industrial subdivision in Cessnock
- Storage sheds up to 100 units in Newcastle and Sydney
- Truck Stops and Service Stations across NSW – including Newcastle, Forbes and Mid North Coast
- Places of Public Worship in Industrial Estates
- Purpose built facilities for ongoing operation for a specific purpose
- Breweries

Services

Barr Property and Planning have extensive experience in Industrial development, including site selection, identification of site risks and solutions to mitigate these risks, assessment of development proposals and gaining consent for the subdivision and building developments.

Through gaining an understanding of your business and the key elements required to make your development or operation a success, we are able to guide your proposal through the assessment and approval process.

This includes understanding;

- What is your goal for development?
- What do you need to achieve?
- What factors are essential to the success of the project?
- What are the financial and contractual requirements of the project?
- What are the site risks such as the environmental and practical matters affecting the site and implications of this on yield, cost and time?
- What is the approval pathway and how to identify and meet with key stakeholders?

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- How to manage the preparation of assessment, lodgement and determination of the application?

EDUCATION

Experience

- Site investigation
- Schools and extensions to schools in Port Stephens, Hunter, Newcastle and Lake Macquarie
- Child Care centres in Cessnock and Maitland
- Complying development reports
- Development applications for local councils and state significant projects

Services

- Child Care centres in Cessnock and Maitland
- Complying development reports

CURRENT & COMPLETED PROJECTS

- Blackrock Motor Sport Park – The Formula Company, \$30 million tourist facility and driver training centre
- Advertising signage across New South Wales – oOh! Media Group
- Indoor Pool, Fletcher, Mars Building
- Multiple centre upgrades for train support – Pacific National
- 160 unit seniors living development – McCloys
- 125 Unit seniors living development – McCloys
- Rezoning of 16 hectares of land for residential use – Kingston Pty Ltd
- Residential Flat Building, \$80 million, Charlestown
- Multiple Affordable Housing projects \$2 to \$10 million – Central Coast and the Hunter Region, Compass Housing
- Exhibition homes and investigation of multiple sites – McDonald Jones Homes
- 18 Unit Residential development, Elmore Vale
- Due diligence on multiple residential developments across New South Wales including subdivisions, multi-dwelling housing, aged care and residential flat building
- 160 hectare Industrial Development \$150 million – Broaden Pty Ltd
- 100 unit storage facility at Steel River – Hunter Central
- Truck Stop and Service Station, Forbes \$6 million Retail Fuel Developments
- Truck Stop and Service Station, Newcastle \$9 million Retail Fuel Developments
- Due diligence on multiple sites across NSW including Taree, Coffs Harbour, Lismore, Gunnedah, Mittagong, Wollongong and Tamworth
- Investigation of school sites and development application for school expansions – St Philips Christian College
- Expansion of school site - Medowie Christian School
- Child Care Centre, Fletcher
- Due diligence on Child Care Centres at Minmi, Glendale, Newcastle and Cessnock
- Medical Centre, Edgeworth

VALUE SUMMARY

- Assess development potential at feasibility stage, determining likely outcomes and concerns
- Provide broad proposal overviews, identifying risks for the approval process and site environmental outcomes
- Offer collaborative solutions to identified risks around the approval process
- Identify strategy for dealing with relevant government departments
- Prepare necessary assessments to allow efficient proposal evaluation
- Liaise with relevant government departments/councils to resolve issues quickly
- Gain a determination
- Review and provide advice on consent implications and identified site outcome improvements

COMMUNITY

Barr Property & Planning supports organisations that seek to make a positive social impact in the community.

BP&P endeavours to work with firms that specifically help those who are disadvantaged or disabled. Such companies include those that provide people with affordable housing, special assistance programs and employment opportunities.

BP&P offers discounted services to such firms through a pooled revenue project and is committed to developing collaborative partnerships with clients to help further improve social outcomes.

The pooled revenue is created through client partnerships and work that spans a wide variety of projects undertaken by BP&P.

Partners

- Puzzle House
- Dilando Corporation
- The Grainery Church
- Wanderers Rugby Club

OUR PEOPLE

Stephen Barr BSurv (Hons), MPlan, MBus

Director, Registered Surveyor, Certified Practicing Planner

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Stephen Barr has been involved in the development industry since 1992 and works with clients to combine strategic thinking with practical planning advice and expertise regarding:

- Development yield and delivery time frames
- Likely issues confronting developments and potential solutions
- Gaining approvals for a wide range of developments
- Post approval for land development and subdivision

With a background in surveying, Stephen understands the implications of crucial decisions that are made from the planning stage through to the project's final delivery.



He also has a strong interest and involvement in the affordable housing sector which guides his vision to encourage the business sector to make positive social contributions that help support other socially-aware organisations to achieve their goals.

Stephen's business qualifications, coupled with his extensive board and advisory committee experience, affords him a broad understanding of the specific business outcomes driving projects.

A strong understanding of governance requirements assists in providing appropriate advice concerning due diligence and the necessary internal approvals to allow projects to successfully progress.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Master of Planning – UTS
- Master of Business – The University of Newcastle
- Registered Surveyor (NSW)
- Certified Practicing Planner
- Bachelor of Surveying – The University of Newcastle

MEMBERSHIPS

- Australian Institute of Company Directors
- Planning Institute of Australia (PIA)
- Executive Global Network – Hunter Chapter
- Compass Housing – State Committee
- Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA) – Hunter Chairman/Company Member

Kirsty Tepper BTP (Hons), Grad Cert ELG LAW, MEcRD, MPIA, MUDIA, MIAIA

Principal Planner – Social & Economic

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Kirsty Tepper has solid experience in the impact assessment of development proposals, formed by a background in statutory and strategic planning. She has worked as a planner in both local government and private sectors and provides broad experience in strategic planning policy and development assessment across city and regional settings.

Kirsty's experience in private consulting covers a wide range of planning and environmental assessment projects including infrastructure, flood planning, community consultation, rezoning and master planning.

Her local government experience includes policy writing and development assessment, management of sub consultants, environmental studies, community consultation along with the exhibition and submissions process for a major citywide Local Environmental Plan (Blue Mountains Draft LEP, 2004).

Kirsty has a Master of Economics specialising in Regional Development. This has involved details studies on trade and finance models, cost-benefit analysis, and the impacts of economic change on regional communities, economics, populations and demographics. This course has a focus on the consideration of appropriate policy responses to wider economic and social issues.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Master of Economics and Regional Development – University of New England
- Grad Cert Environmental and Local Government Law – Macquarie University
- Bachelor of Town Planning (Hons) – University of NSW

MEMBERSHIPS

- Planning Institute of Australia (PIA)
- Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA)
- Women in Building & Associated Services

Ian Power B.APP Sc. (Environmental Planning), DTCP

Senior Consultant

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Ian Power has high level multidisciplinary and broad-based experience working originally in local government and then the private sector. His expertise includes strategic, statutory and social planning, project management, residential and commercial building, and engineering and civil works construction.

With 36 years' experience in planning and development, Ian's work in the public sector culminated in his role as Chief Town Planner, Camden Council. Ian also ran his own successful planning, building and development consultancy practice, operating primarily in the Greater Sydney area.

On returning to his home town of Newcastle, he continued consultancy work while focussing on expanding his building and development company – a firm that has been recognised with several prestigious residential building industry awards.

Ian's planning and development experience includes:

- Problem solving, trouble shooting, mediation, negotiation, conciliation and lobbying on numerous development projects
- Expert witness in the Land and Environment Court, including preparing Statements of Evidence and defending in court
- Generating LEPs, DCPs S 94 Contribution Plans, Strategic Plans and environmental studies
- Preparing development feasibilities and applications, planning reports/proposals, environmental evaluation, statements of environmental effects, environmental impact statements, reviews of environmental factors, traffic impact statements and heritage impact statements

QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor of Applied Science (Environmental Planning)
- Diploma in Town and Country Planning

Emily Allen B.Des (Arch), M. URP, MPIA

Project Planner

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Emily Allen has over four years' experience in the planning field. Starting out as a planner working for Montgomery Homes, Emily worked with residential development over the Hunter, Central Coast and Sydney regions. This allowed her to utilise her design and planning skills whilst providing her with exposure to the construction process from job start to completion.

Emily has a strong interest in urban planning and design. In December 2018, she completed her Master in Urban and Regional Planning with a focus on urban renewal for her master's thesis.

In her own time Emily is passionate in supporting creative initiatives, demonstrating this both at University and more recently in the local community. During her final year of study in her Bachelor of Design, Emily was responsible for the funding of the end of year exhibition and also took a pivotal role in the design, coordination and set up of the overall exhibition. Her volunteer experience also includes working with Renew Newcastle and the Newcastle Writer's Festival where she provided event support by fielding customer enquiries as well as assisting attendees with overall direction, session information and general event assistance.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor of Design (Architecture) – The University of Newcastle
- Graduate Certificate in Development Planning – Curtin University
- Master of Urban and Regional Planning – Curtin University

MEMBERSHIPS & INDUSTRY AFFILIATION

- Planning Institute of Australia (PIA)
- NSW Young Planners Committee – Vice Convenor
- Property Council of Australia - Hunter Future Directions Committee Member
- Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA)
- Women in Business & Associated Services

Liam Buxton B. Sc. (Hons), M. URP, MPIA

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Liam Buxton has worked across a wide range of related fields during previous roles held at the University of Newcastle, Intertek and Stolthaven. During this period, he was involved in significant projects in fuel related fields, and assisted in new developments including facilities for the bulk importation and management of fuel.

While working with another Hunter based development consultancy, Liam further broadened his expertise, gaining a broader range of understanding across multiple projects.

He delivers a practical approach to his work and has a keen eye for detail in assessing development proposals and preparing development applications. Liam has strong experience in development feasibility and a personal interest in both housing affordability and affordable housing, which formed part of his Master of Planning studies.

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QUALIFICATIONS

- Master of Urban and Regional Planning – University of Sydney
- Bachelor of Science (Honours) – University of Newcastle
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MEMBERSHIPS & INDUSTRY AFFILIATION

- Member of the Planning Institute of Australia
- Member of the Urban Development Institute of Australia
- Member of the Property Council of Australia
- Hunter Young Professional Member (2017-)
- PIA Hunter Sub Branch Committee Member (2017-)
- PIA NSW State Young Planner Committee Member (2018-)
- Newcastle City Council Affordable Living Focus Group Member (2018-)
- Hunter Urban Development Program Committee Member (2019-)

Katrina Walker B. Sc/B. Ed., M. Plan (Professional, expected completion October 2019)

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Katrina Walker has been involved with the statutory planning sector in both Victoria and New South Wales for the past three years.

Katrina is currently completing a Masters of Planning at Deakin University, specialising in 'Healthy Cities'. Her interest lies in the development of healthy urban environments, creating a balance between the natural and built environments to promote health and equity in society.

Previously Katrina has worked as a Secondary School Science and Mathematics teacher for six years and during this time was a published author of both National and International Curriculum for Science. She has also written and independently researched school textbooks.

Katrina is passionate about embracing the challenges of starting a new career.



QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Education – Monash University
- Completing a Master of Planning (Professional) – Deakin University

MEMBERSHIPS

- Planning Institute of Australia - Student
- Women in Building & Associated Services
- Golden Key Honours Society

Joanna Andrew Dip BM, Adv. Dip. Arts, AIMM, WIBAS

Administration Manager

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Joanna Andrew brings to the BP&P team a broad range of administration management skills working across a variety of sectors including government, manufacturing and distribution, hospitality, youth and charitable organisations.

In her previous role with a national organisation she was a valued member of the senior management team responsible for strategic planning. Her background also includes working in quality assurance and continuous improvement management, developing and managing internal audits of operating procedures and policies, and designing and implementing computerised accounting procedures.

Joanna's HR expertise includes recruiting, training and supervising staff, along with being responsible for developing and monitoring KPIs.

Joanna completed An Advanced Diploma in Arts at The University of New England in October 2018, allowing her to further enhance her business and finance skills while complementing a keen interest and experience in performing arts, particularly musical theatre and singing.

Underpinned by a strong client service focus, Joanna's extensive project management skills support generating effective and cost efficient action plans to meet required project targets.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Advanced Diploma in Arts
- Diploma of Business Management
- Cert IV Assessment and Workplace Training
- Certificate in Small Business Management (Distinction)

MEMBERSHIPS

- Australian Institute of Management (AIMM)
- Women in Building & Associated Services (WIBAS)

Janine Chandler Dip. Ed., Dip. Project Management

Marketing Coordinator

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Janine Chandler is an experienced event and marketing specialist with more than 25 years working across education, environment, health and telecommunications. Janine's broad experience working in corporate, not-for-profit and government roles has provided her with the experience to successfully develop and grow industry partnerships across multiple sectors. Her strengths are in the development and execution of marketing strategies while managing programs of work involving multiple stakeholders.



Most recently, Janine was employed in a Project Management role with TAFE NSW with an initial responsibility to project manage the delivery of a dedicated exhibition space, Design Centre Hunter. With a proven ability to lead and motivate teams, Janine continued to manage the Design Centre throughout its development and growth.

Janine's experience in the not-for-profit sector has included roles at Planet Ark, Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service and Special Olympics Australia where she was the Coordinator for the Special Olympics 2012 Junior National Games. Janine's experience working on large scale events has also included Venue Manager for Telstra at the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games looking after both the Sponsor Hospitality venues and onsite Hotels at Sydney Olympic Park.

Janine is passionate about helping those less fortunate and has worked on volunteer programs across the globe including Education (Guatemala), Conservation (Mexico) and Housing (Nepal). She currently also holds a position with Hunter based charity Got Your Back Sista working on community campaigns and events.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Diploma of Education (Primary) – University of Newcastle
- Diploma of Project Management – TAFE NSW
- Certificate III in Marketing – TAFE NSW

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MEMBERSHIPS

- Women in Building & Associated Services