



Qualifications

Bachelor of Urban and Regional Planning – University of South Australia - Honors

IAP2 Australasia's Certificate in Engagement

Accreditation

Accredited professional – planning level 1, 2, 3 & 4

Registered Planner, Planning Institute of Australia (PIA)

Affiliations

Corporate member of the Planning Institute of Australia (PIA)

Member of the Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA) South Australia Planning Committee

Independent Member of the Town of Walker Council Assessment Panel

Chair of UniSA Urban and Regional Planning Program Advisory Committee

ZOË GARNAUT

SENIOR ASSOCIATE
BA URP (HONORS), PIA REGISTERED
PLANNER

EXPERTISE

- Strategic Planning
- Statutory Planning
- Development Strategies and Project Positioning
- Concept Planning
- Project Management
- Community Engagement facilitation
- Local Government Administration
- Expert Witness & Appeal Representation (Environment, Resources & Development Court)

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Zoë is a highly experienced urban planner with over 20 years of expertise in urban planning and governance administration, including 8 years in leadership and management roles within local government.

Prior to joining Ekistics, Zoë held a senior position at Fyfe Pty Ltd, building on her extensive local government experience. Her previous roles include:

- **City of Charles Sturt** (2011–2019)
Team Leader, Planning
- **City of Port Adelaide Enfield** (2007–2011):
Development Officer, Planning
- **City of Adelaide** (2005–2006):
Cadet Planning Officer & Development Officer, Planning

EXPERIENCE

Zoë has an exceptional track record in statutory planning, working on diverse projects such as large-scale commercial, industrial, and retail developments, as well as residential greenfield and infill projects.

She is well-versed in the planning appeals process, providing expert advice to the Environment, Resources & Development Court.

Zoë's technical expertise is complemented by her governance experience, having served as a senior advisor to councils on local government administration, equipping her with an in-depth understanding of council operations and the political dynamics influencing decision-making.

Key achievements and responsibilities include:

- Leading high-profile Code Amendment projects, rezoning former industrial/commercial land to support mixed-use medium and high-density residential developments including:
 - Thebarton (Brewery Precinct) Code Amendment
 - West Lakes Residential & Mixed Use Code Amendment
 - Kidman Park Residential & Mixed Use Code
- Managing diverse developments, including low-, medium-, and high-rise residential projects, aged care facilities, student accommodation, childcare centres, service stations, large-scale residential land divisions, and industrial ventures.
- Facilitating a range of key stakeholder and community engagement projects for Code Amendments & Master planning projects.