

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Senior Forestry Consultant & Minerals & Waste Services Manager

DATE OF BIRTH

12th July 1977

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Chartered Member, Society for the Environment 2008
- Full Membership, Institute of Chartered Foresters 2004
- MSc Environmental Forestry, *University of Wales, Bangor* 2001
- Associate Membership, Institute of Chartered Foresters 1999
- 2.1 BSc (Hons) Biology, *University of Portsmouth* 1998

APPOINTMENTS

- Midlands Division Hon. Secretary & Treasurer, Royal Forestry Society 2009 to Date
- Midlands Division Committee Member, Royal Forestry Society 2009 to Date

TRAINING

- Arboricultural Association (Brooksby, Leics): Professional Tree Inspection Sept 2007
- Birmingham City Council: Bats and Trees Oct 2006
- IEEM (Chester): Ecological Supervision on Construction Sites Oct 2006
- IEEM (Burford, Gloucs): Soils Use and Handling In Restoration July 2005
- Tree Life Training (Corby, Northants): Basic Level Tree Inspection June 2005
- Lantra (Brooksby College, Leics): Basic Tree Climbing & Aerial Rescue Sept 2004
- IEEM (Duddington, Leics): NVC Woodland Habitat Surveying May 2004
- Field Studies Council (Flatford, Suffolk): Trees & Woodlands in Autumn Oct 2003

CAREER

- **Lockhart Garratt Ltd:** Senior Forestry Consultant & Minerals & Waste Services Manager May 2006 to date
- **Lockhart Garratt Ltd:** Forestry Consultant May 2004 to April 2006
- **Lockhart Garratt Ltd:** Assistant Forestry Consultant July 2002 to April 2004
- **Industrious Asset Mangement:** Business Reporting Analyst April 2001 to June 2002
- **Rolls Royce Aero:** Delivery Driver (7.5 tonne) Oct 2000 to March 2001
- **Fountain Forestry:** Forestry Worker Dec 1998 to May 1999

EXPERIENCE

Forestry, landscaping and tree management for estates, private owners, farmers, quarry & landfill operators.

Woodland / landscape survey & integrated management plan production, grant sourcing & administration, budgeting, contract production, tender, site supervision, marking and control of thinning, marketing and sale of timber. Professional Level Tree Inspection. Landscaping design for residential & industrial development, liaison with planning authorities. Site restoration, soil management, liaison with Environment Agency. Community woodland creation, schools involvement, event management, interpretation design.

PUBLICATIONS

- Quarry Management Journal – July 2007 – Viable quarry end use from effective soil amelioration
- Quarry Management Journal - Aug 2006 - Silvicultural Success – Clay Quarry Restoration
- RFS Quarterly Journal of Forestry - Apr 2006, Vol 100, No.2 - Adding Value to Hardwood Timber
- Woodland Heritage Journal – Feb 2006 - RFS Denmark Study Tour, Hardwood Silviculture

KEY PROJECTS AT LOCKHART GARRATT

Royal Forestry Society

Principle site manager for the RFS on their 47 ha community woodland in Leicestershire since 2003. Working to multiple objectives including sound economic management for strong establishment in year 10, alongside community involvement through 2 annual events and enhancement of biodiversity by identifying grant funding opportunities for pond restoration. Sustainable management demonstrated by vermin control in years 1 to 5 as an alternative to installation of 120,000 plastic shelters with associated purchase / removal / carbon release savings.

National Forest

Design and implementation of 4 winning schemes for National Forest funding totalling 80ha. Spacing of 2.1m specified on planting, as opposed to 3m required by grant, to encourage straighter growth, requiring less labour input for pruning and adding value to long term timber crop.

Skeffington Wood

Implementation of Natural England Wildlife Enhancement Scheme management plan over 5 years to achieve 'unfavourable recovering' status in 30 ha of SSSI Ancient Woodland, from 'unfavourable stable'. Supervision of annual 1 ha coppice restoration thinning has required full consideration of EPS presence. Information from up front walkover surveys to record evidence of otter, GCN, dormouse, bats and map areas of habitat potential is then supplemented with an online records search. Stand offs from watercourse, ponds are then followed and at least 75% of potential roost trees excluded from felling.

Kingston Estate, Nottinghamshire

Supervision of 4,000 m³ of softwood harvesting, 100m³ of hardwood felling and restocking to clients economic objectives. Ensuring appropriate timings of work to avoid bird nesting season in sensitive areas of site such as oak-bluebell woodland.

Hanson Building Products Ltd

Design of landscaping and restoration schemes to fulfill planning conditions for large mineral operator, on 13 sites across the UK. Restoration work involves habitat design, fitting each element to the land type available (re soil depth, slope aspect, gradient) to enhance biodiversity and create an attractive result which will thrive as a managed habitat in the longer term. On implementation of H&S tree surgery works to individual trees, more detailed survey for bats is undertaken. Roosting potential is first identified and if significant then supervision of the tree climber by an ecologist and trained bat handler is actioned, to allow e.g. lowering of limbs or creation of new roost potential where appropriate.

I have also managed community planting projects in more deprived areas where engagement of the local primary school children in a woodland planting event and in providing paintings for use in the

interpretation sign design, has clearly been linked with a total absence of vandalism on the resulting sign and planting.

Shanks Waste Management

Supervision of landfill restoration to 4.5 ha of native woodland and 8 ha of agricultural grassland. Diligent site preparation was the key to good growth of these features. Soil testing revealed low organic matter and nitrogen in recycled soils available on site. 700 tonnes of sewage sludge were incorporated by agricultural equipment, provided free of charge from government agency, creating rapid early woodland establishment and a productive grass crop. 1 ha of wildflower meadow incorporated into the design was left untreated, as thin mineral soil, for development of a diverse sward.

Viridor Waste Management

Production of 5 year land management plans for 4 closed landfill sites in SE and NW. Fitting management of plantation woodland, agricultural land, marginal habitats to the clients main objectives for demonstration of good land husbandry, positive management of existing habitats and clearance of borehole monitoring route. Cost engineering using grants and local suppliers.

Internal CPD Co-ordination

Developing and managing a calendar of 12-16 CPD sessions on forestry, land use and allied hot topics for practitioners at Lockhart Garratt. Sourcing external speakers where required and drawing on internal practitioners specialism's. Maintaining 50% of meetings as outdoor site visits to review the success of implementation and allow live practical demonstration.

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