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Practice areas:

Public Law, Major Infrastructure Projects, Compulsory Purchase and Compensation, Planning, Licensing, Highways, Commons and Open Spaces, Ecclesiastical Law and Religious Liberty, ADR, Local Government, Rating, Environment



Practice Profile

Annabel is a front-rank junior in planning law. She has acted in many leading judicial reviews and planning inquiries of national significance. Clients include major developers and corporate landowners; the UK and Welsh Governments; local authorities; statutory bodies, and private individuals.

Public Law

Annabel has appeared in several landmark judicial reviews and section 288 challenges which have developed the law. She acts for claimants and defendants, and is a member of the Welsh Government's approved panel of Counsel. She is described in Chambers and Partners as being: "very thorough and clever" and having "excellent political antennae". Legal 500 describes her as having "a very sharp legal mind". She was invited to speak at the 2019 JPLC Oxford Planning Conference on 'Shining a Light on the BRE' on daylight and sunlight assessments as a result of her successful appearance in the Guerry case (see below).

Reported cases include:

- *R (CPRE (Somerset) v. South Somerset DC)* [2022] EWHC 2817 (Admin) (councillor bias and codes of conduct)
- *Manchester City Council v. Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities* [2022] PTSR 1297 (Admin) (test case on interpretation of s. 174(2B) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990)
- *R (National Farmers' Union of England and Wales) v. Welsh Ministers* [2022] EWHC 611 (Admin) (challenge to the Water Resources (Control of Agricultural Pollution) (Wales) Regulations 2021, and

the all-Wales Nitrate Vulnerable Zone)

- **East Hertfordshire DC v. Connors** [2021] EWHC 2980 (QB) (gypsy and traveller injunction)
- **Backland v Monmouthshire County Council** [2021] EWHC 2185 (Admin) (relationship between building control and planning, non-mains sewerage systems)
- **Ceredigion CC v. Robinson** [2020] EWHC 3425 (Admin) (requirements for an information charging an offence under s. 179 Town and Country Planning Act 1990)
- **Khiroya v Southwark LBC** [2020] UKUT 190 (LC) (deemed consent for the display of advertisements and the running of the burden of a restrictive covenant)
- **R (Guerry) v Hammersmith and Fulham LBC** [2018] 11 WLUK 5 (proper approach to daylight and sunlight assessments and the BRE Guide)
- **R (Tate) v Northumberland CC** [2018] EWCA Civ 1519 (consistency in decision-making)
- **R (Deep Banghard) v Bedford BC** [2017] EWHC 2391 (Admin) (Enforcement Notices, scope of s. 70C Town and Country Planning Act 1990)
- **R (Mansell) v Tonbridge and Malling BC** [2016] EWHC 2832 (Admin); [2017] EWCA Civ 1314 (interpretation of Permitted Development rights, 'fallback', and NPPF presumption in favour of sustainable development)
- **Powys CC v Price** [2016] EWHC 2596; [2017] EWCA Civ 1133 (contaminated land, local government reorganization)
- **R (Tate) v Northumberland CC** [2017] EWHC 664 (Admin) (meaning of 'village', infilling, reasons)
- **R (Wilkinson) v South Hams DC** [2016] EWHC 1860 (Admin) (open space policy, Habitats Directive)
- **R (Forster) v SSCLG** [2015] EWHC 2367 (Admin); [2016] EWCA Civ 609 (grassroots music venues, relationship between planning and licensing regimes)
- **Tanna v Richmond LBC** [2016] EWHC 1268 (Admin) (deliberate concealment, Planning Enforcement Order)
- **R (Jedwell) v Denbighshire CC** [2016] Env LR 24 (Environmental Impact Assessments, cross examination in judicial review, reasons)
- **R (Jedwell) v Denbighshire CC** [2015] Env LR D2; [2016] Env LR 17 (CA) (Environmental Impact Assessment screening opinion validity)
- **R (Calverton Parish Council) v Nottingham City Council** [2015] EWHC 1078 (Admin) (Strategic Environmental Impact Assessment, Green Belt)
- **Nottingham City Council v Calverton Parish Council** [2015] PTSR 1130 (time limits for filing claims)
- **R (Davies) v Carmarthenshire CC** [2015] Env LR 29 (Environmental Impact Assessment, the "Dylan Thomas wind turbine" case)
- **R (Wingrove) v Stratford on Avon DC** [2015] PTSR 708 (Enforcement Notices, s. 70C Town and Country Planning Act 1990)
- **R (Savage) v Mansfield DC** [2015] EWCA Civ 4 (Special Protection Areas, Natural England, s. 106 agreements)
- **R (Vicente) v SSCLG** [2015] PTSR D9 (CA) (procedural irregularity in planning hearing)
- **R (Botley Parish Action Group) v Eastleigh BC** [2014] EWHC 4388 (Admin) (alternative sites for residential development, Protective Costs Orders)
- **R (McClellan) v Lambeth LBC** [2014] EWHC 1964 (Admin) (Conservation areas, trees)
- **R (Wakil (t/a Orya Textiles)) v Hammersmith and Fulham LBC** [2013] Env LR 3; [2014] Env LR 14 (CA) (Strategic Environmental Assessment, Supplementary Planning Documents, Equalities Duties)
- **R (San Vicente) v SSCLG** [2012] EWHC (Admin); [2013] EWHC 2713 (Admin); [2014] 1 WLR 966 (CA) (principles on amending grounds after deadline)
- **R (Agarwal) v University of Nottingham** [2013] EWHC 1015 (Admin) (fitness to practice, professional regulation, striking off)
- **Reepan & Sons v Bromley LBC** [2013] EWHC 4392 (Ch) (village greens, summary judgment, fairness)
- **R (Elliott) v SSCLG** [2013] Env LR 5 (Habitats Directive, parks, s. 106 agreements)

- *R (Bowen West) v SSCLG* [2012] Env LR 22 (Environmental Impact Assessment, radioactive waste)
 - *R (Sandhar) v Office of the Independent Adjudicator* [2011] EWCA Civ 1614 (higher education)
 - *R (Budd) v Office of the Independent Adjudicator* [2010] ELR 579 (higher education)
 - *R (Dullingham Parish Council) v East Cambridgeshire DC* [2010] EWHC 1307 (Admin) (Protective Costs Orders)
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Major Infrastructure Projects

Annabel has experience of major infrastructure through the DCO, DNS, Transport & Works Act and Parliamentary Bill procedures, as well compulsory purchase in the context of major infrastructure projects. She enjoys being part of a team and is described in Chambers and Partners as: “*very commercial*” and “*not afraid to roll her sleeves up and get stuck in. She is very approachable, good to work alongside and is well liked by clients*”.

In recent years, Annabel has developed a specialist infrastructure and compulsory purchase practice in Wales. Experience includes acting for Associated British Ports on the M4 relief road around Newport, for the promoters of a new minerals facility including complex access road arrangements in Torfaen, for the council on the Western Power Distribution 132Kv Brechfa Forest Connection Project DCO, for landowners on the Carmarthen West Link Road, for the councils promoting the dualling of the A4119 in RCT and the Llanbedr Access Road Scheme in Gwynedd.

As a member of the Welsh Government’s Panel of Counsel, Annabel has advised the Welsh Ministers and acted in a number of schemes of strategic importance including Baglan Energy Park’s Western Power Distribution electrical connection and the Wales-wide Nitrate Vulnerable Zone.

Elsewhere, she has worked on a number of other infrastructure and transport projects, including acting for the promoters of the Cambridgeshire Guided Bus, for several public authority petitioners to the HS2 Select Committee in Parliament, for the promoters of the Bristol Rapid Transit Guided Bus and for the promoters of a new hospital on the Island of Jersey including a technically challenging new access road. She acted in a lengthy wind farm inquiry in South Cambridgeshire and has a strong technical understanding of infrastructure schemes. She is the author of the often cited article ‘Noise from Wind Turbines and ETSU-R-97’ in the Journal of Planning Law.

Compulsory Purchase and Compensation

Annabel acts for both acquiring authorities and objectors to CPOs. She is described in Chambers and Partners as being “*very commercial*” and having “*excellent political antennae*”. Experience includes:

- St. Nicholson’s Shopping Centre, Maidenhead CPO (acted for Smokey’s nightclub at inquiry resulting in the Inspector refusing to confirm the CPO on account of the impact on Smokey’s)
- Shepherds Bush Market CPO inquiry (acted for a group of shopkeepers at inquiry, with Gregory Jones KC; the Inspector recommended that the CPO was not confirmed)
- Croydon Whitgift Centre CPO inquiry (acted for NatWest at inquiry resulting in successful negotiations with the promoter)
- Advising acquiring authorities on the drafting and procedures for making CPOs e.g. for the dualling

of the A4119 in Coedely in Rhondda Cynon Taf, for the Llandbedr Access Road Scheme in Gwynedd and the Porthcawl Regeneration Scheme in Bridgend

- Wrexham Industrial Estate Access Road (acted for the council in Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber))
- Crossrail compensation (acted for Eurofoods in Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber) proceedings)
- HS2 compensation (advising on various blight notice proceedings) (and author of 'Full Speed Ahead' (on HS2 and statutory blight provisions) in Estates Gazette 2014, 1433, 44-46 (with Craig Howell Williams KC))
- Acted for various acquiring authorities in Lands Tribunal proceedings – see e.g. *Khiroya v Southwark LBC* [2020] UKUT 190 (LC)

Since the move to a reserved model of powers in the Wales Act 2017 and the consequent devolution of compulsory purchase to Wales, Annabel has developed a specialist compulsory purchase practice in Wales, advising authorities on the new draft Circular and providing seminars to improve knowledge on the procedures.

Planning

Planning law represents the core of Annabel's practice. Chambers and Partners states: "*She really pursues the case very well indeed, and she's good intellectually, as well as good in her manner with people and witnesses.*" "*She has excellent political antennae. She puts clients at ease and instils confidence.*"

Planning Inquiries

Annabel has acted with leading architects, urban designers and associated professionals. Large-scale inquiry experience includes:

- Our Hospital Project, Jersey (sole counsel for the Government of Jersey promoting a new hospital for the island designed by Llewelyn Davies architects)
- Elephant and Castle student accommodation (sole counsel resisting a tall building)
- Bicester Sports Association redevelopment (sole counsel)
- 265 Burlington Road (sole counsel resisting a large Redrow Homes residential scheme)
- Great Wolf Leisure Centre, Oxfordshire (with Douglas Edwards KC)
- 145 house scheme at Tenterden, Ashford (with Craig Howell Williams KC)
- Tir Pentwys Mine (with Morag Ellis KC)
- Hurlingham Road office and flexible retail / restaurant space (sole counsel)
- Guildford Station redevelopment (mixed use development including a new station designed by Rolfe Judd, acted for the council, with Morag Ellis KC)
- Creekside Village East, Deptford (sole counsel resisting a mixed use development next to Trinity Laban School of Dance designed by Squire & Co.)
- Hampton Fields, Aylesbury (3,000 house urban extension, acted for Taylor Wimpey, with Robin Purchas KC)
- Brighton Marina (mixed use development designed by Allies & Morrison, acted for the developer, with Keith Lindblom KC (as he then was))
- South Warwickshire NHS Trust - appeared at numerous housing inquiries pioneering the requirement for s. 106 contributions towards hospital running costs
- Annabel has also appeared in a number of other schemes involving loss of employment land, sustainability issues, Green Belt and heritage

Advisory Work and High Court Challenges

Annabel regularly advises on Assets of Community Value, permitted development rights, CIL and s. 106 contributions, as well as legal issues relating to conditions, and a number of her High Court cases have related to such (e.g. *Savage v Mansfield DC*, *Elliott v SSCLG*, *Mansell v Tonbridge and Malling DC*). She is the author of 'The Community Infrastructure Levy: How it will Operate in Practice' J.P.L. 2009, 1267-1282.

Several of her cases have been test cases on the interpretation of planning law, for example *Manchester CC v SSUHC* on the interpretation of s. 174(2B) of the 1990 Act and *Wingrove* and *Banghard* on s. 70C of the 1990 Act. For a list of reported cases, please see under the heading 'Public Law'.

Plan Making

Experience includes:

- Successfully halted the Vale of Aylesbury Plan at a preliminary examination session on behalf of Taylor Wimpey on account of a failure to comply with the 'duty to co-operate'
- Acted for a landowner at the examination of the Sevenoaks ADMP resulting in main modifications being made on housing numbers in light of *Hunston Properties*
- Objected to a gypsy / traveller allocation in the Newport LDP in the vicinity of a major strategic allocation on behalf of owners / developers of the site resulting in withdrawal of the allocation. Issues included Welsh planning policy for gypsies and travellers and SEA
- Successfully quashed the Hammersmith & Fulham's Supplementary Planning Document for Shepherds Bush Market (see *R (Wakil (t/a Orya Textiles)) v Hammersmith & Fulham LBC*)
- Successfully acted for three local authorities in resisting a challenge to their adoption of the Greater Nottingham Aligned Core Strategies (see *Calverton PC v Nottingham City Council*). Issues included Hunston Properties housing numbers, Green Belt and SEA
- Advised a number of local authorities on the soundness and procedural issues arising from Local and Neighbourhood Plan preparation

Chambers and Partners notes that she is someone who: "*works incredibly hard, and you can go to her and she will quickly and without pretence give you a view. She's never uncomfortable if put on the spot*".

Planning Enforcement & Advertising

Annabel has a particular interest and specialist knowledge of planning enforcement and lawfulness. She is the author of 'The 10 Year Rule and Breaches of Condition: A Critique of *Ellis v. SSCLG* and *Chiltern DC*' [2010] J.P.L. 157 - 167, which is cited in *Planning Law Practice and Precedents* (Sweet & Maxwell).

She regularly appears in the criminal courts in planning enforcement and related matters, including prosecuting and defending in environmental offences. She has substantial expertise in dealing with POCA 2002 applications to confiscate the proceeds of crime. She was recently instructed to prosecute a housebuilder in Swansea for felling a giant ancient redwood tree, a case which received widespread attention in the national press following his conviction.

Annabel is "*very useful and also very quick - she will turn things around quickly and appreciates when urgency is needed*" (Chambers and Partners).

Experience includes:

- Successfully acted for Hendrewennol, South Wales' largest PYO fruit farm, at a lengthy enforcement inquiry in which she also obtained full costs against the Council

- Successfully acted for LB Ealing in securing removal notices for prominent billboard advertisements on the A40 which had been erected consequent to alleged internal employee fraud
 - Appeared in numerous enforcement inquiries concerning a multitude of scenarios from the mundane to the bizarre, and often involving complex legal argument, see e.g. *Goodwin v Wokingham Borough Council* [2013] P.A.D. 5.
 - Applications for planning injunctions under s 187B of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as well as obtaining emergency out-of-hours injunctions via telephone hearings with the High Court, including in relation to gypsies and travellers (see e.g. *East Hertfordshire DC v. Connors* [2021] EWHC 2980)
 - Criminal prosecutions in the Magistrates' and Crown Court for planning and advertising offences, including in POCA proceedings, and civil actions for damages arising from planning acts e.g. unlawful direct action (see e.g. *Ceredigion CC v. Robinson* [2020] EWHC 3425 (Admin)). Annabel is a contributing author to Phillips & Norris, *The Law of Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions* (OUP)
 - Obtaining Planning Enforcement Orders in the Magistrates' Court (and Annabel successfully appeared in *Tanna v LB Richmond* on PEOs)
 - Detailed knowledge of LPA use of s. 70C TCPA 1990 (Annabel successfully appeared in the two leading authorities on s. 70C: *Wingrove v Stratford on Avon* and *Banghard v Bedford BC*) and s. 174(2B) TCPA 1990 (appeared successfully for the LPA in the leading authority on this power in *Manchester CC v. SSLUHC*)
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Licensing

Annabel has been ranked in Legal 500 as a Leading Junior in Licensing Law in which she is described as “a real asset to Chambers”. Highlights include:

- Successful defence of review proceedings acting for Brighton's oldest gay pub, The Bulldog, before sub-committee and in the Magistrates' Court, allowing them to remain open to 4am following a spate of homophobic attacks and sex offences
 - Acted for Westminster City Council in two reviews in relation to 'Aura' nightclub in Mayfair and 'Metra' nightclub in Leicester Square
 - Appeared in a number of high profile cases for McDonalds e.g. in their Knightsbridge restaurant
 - Experience of taxi licensing and related offences. Annabel secured a significant POCA confiscation order against the owner of a taxi company who was using unlicensed drivers, including his elderly mother, to carry out jobs such as school runs. The case was complicated by the fact that the Defendant was also a member of the council's own licensing committee
 - Annabel is well placed to deal with cases where issues of planning and licensing overlap. Following a high-profile campaign supported by Kate Moss and Sir Ian McKellen amongst others, Annabel successfully acted for the owner of The George Tavern in Stepney, a public house and grassroots live music venue, in the Court of Appeal – see *Forster v SSCLG*, a case which considers the interrelationship between the planning and licensing regimes. She also successfully acted for Smokey's nightclub in Maidenhead objecting to the compulsory purchase of their club.
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Highways, Commons and Open Spaces

Annabel has developed a substantial town and village green and rural affairs practice, including frequently acting as an Independent Inspector for registration authorities. Annabel is ranked in Legal 500 as Leading Junior in Agriculture.

She is a contributing author to the leading practitioner text in this area, 'Gadsden on Commons and Greens' (Sweet & Maxwell).

Annabel has acted as an Independent Inspector in the following TVG and commons applications which, between them, have concerned all of the most familiar scenarios:

- Gwrych Castle, Conwy
- Broxbourne Common, Hertfordshire
- Cryalls Lane, Kent
- Grove Park Avenue, Kent
- Colston's Field, Bristol
- Abergele, Conwy
- Asker Lane Fields, Derbyshire
- Deal, Kent
- Goudhurst, Kent
- Eastville, Bristol
- Westgate-on-Sea, Kent
- Marden, Kent
- Laundry Fields, Bristol
- Henbury, Bristol
- Easter Garden, Clifton, Bristol
- Beckenham High Street, Bromley

She has also appeared for parties at TVG inquiries (both objectors and applicants), footpath inquiries and in the High Court, and regularly advises in writing on the subject. She has significant experience of the operation of 'trigger events'.

Her wider rural affairs practice includes advising on common land, highways and rights of way, Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 offences, SSSIs, SACs and SPAs, and the 'right to roam'. She has been instructed on behalf of the Trail Riders Fellowship and Green Lane Association in relation to Public Spaces Protection Orders and also by the British Association of Caving concerning whether the CROW Act permits caving as part of 'open air access'.

Annabel has advised highway authorities on parking and bus lane enforcement, street trading, the introduction of Controlled Parking Schemes and engine idling. She is the author of a paper produced for the RAC Foundation on Clamping on Private Land.

Ecclesiastical Law and Religious Liberty

In 2022, Annabel was sworn in as the Deputy Chancellor of the Diocese of Oxford. In that role, she acts as an independent judge of the Consistory Court (alongside the Chancellor HHJ David Hodge), overseeing legal issues across the Diocese, especially those which relate to the use of and alterations to church

buildings and land.

She has significant experience as an advocate in the Consistory Court, and acted for the Archdeacon of Southend, in respect of a faculty petition for works to a church to facilitate the expansion of London Southend Airport. She also acted for the petitioners (with Thomas Seymour) in an appeal to the Arches Court of Canterbury which resulted in the demolition of a nursery and community building unlawfully erected at Christ Church, Spitalfields.

ADR

Annabel has acted for a party in a mediation concerning alleged professional negligence in the planning context. She has also acted in formal negotiations regarding the terms of a consent order for the quashing of a planning permission.

Annabel understands the commercial desirability of avoiding litigation where possible. She is described in Chambers and Partners as “*very commercial*”, “*good in her manner with people*”, “*practical*” and “*very approachable*”.

Local Government

Early on in her career, Annabel undertook lengthy secondments with local authorities in both urban and rural settings (for LB Haringey and Surrey Heath BC) and thus has first-hand experience of the workings of local government.

As well as her planning and environment, highways and greens and licensing practice, where she regularly acts for councils of all types, Annabel has experience in a wide number of local government areas:

- **Housing:** Annabel has advised on major works to leasehold properties, tendering and consultation, and has appeared in the Leasehold Valuation Tribunal.
- **Public procurement:** Annabel has advised on this subject and also on bias and fairness.
- **Regulatory prosecutions:** Annabel is very at-home in the criminal courts and familiar with criminal procedure, having worked in Haringey’s Criminal Litigation team for 4 months, and has prosecuted a number of local authority offences including planning, environment, tree felling, waste, food safety, dangerous dogs, school non-attendance. On the other side, she has been successful in securing low fines for high-profile individuals following guilty pleas. Annabel has provided substantial procedural advice to the Marine Management Organisation on criminal enforcement of marine and environmental offences. She is a contributing author to Phillips & Norris, *The Law of Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions* (OUP, 2011). She has made successful applications for case stated to the Divisional Court (e.g. *Ceredigion CC v. Robinson* [2020] EWHC 3425 (Admin)) concerning the requirements for an information charging an offence under s. 179 Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- **Local Government Organization:** She has also dealt with central points regarding local government organization, Codes of Conduct and Councillor behaviour in a number of High Court cases e.g.

Powys CC v Price [2016] EWHC 2596; [2017] EWCA Civ 1133 concerning the effect of local government re-organization on continuing liability for contaminated land and *R (CPRE (Somerset)) v. South Somerset DC* [2022] EWHC 2817 (Admin) concerning Councillor bias and the effect of a breach of a Code of Conduct.

Rating

Annabel has represented rate-payers and billing authorities in the Magistrates' Courts in contested hearings into business rates liability, including in relation to empty rates and relief for charities. She successfully stopped a judicial review of a District Judge's decision to decline to state a case in relation to whether premises were used wholly or mainly for charitable purposes. Annabel has also acted for a quarry owner in the Valuation Tribunal resulting in a successful settlement agreement.

Environment

Annabel's practice encompasses all aspects of environmental law, either as a sole topic or in cases where environmental issues overlap with other regimes such as planning. A number of her High Court cases have developed the law in this area. For example, *Powys CC v. Price* concerning liability for contaminated land, *Backland v. Monmouthshire* on drainage, *NFU v. Welsh Ministers* on the all-Wales nitrate vulnerable zone, and a number of cases on the Habitats Directive (e.g. *Wilkinson v. South Hams*, *Savage v. Mansfield*, *Elliot v. SSCLG*) and EIA and SEA (e.g. *Jedwell v. Denbighshire*, *Davies v. Carms CC* (the 'Dylan Thomas wind turbine case') and *Bowen West v. SSCLG*).

She is comfortable dealing with complex technical information and has written two often cited articles in the Journal of Planning Law on such subjects: 'Noise from Wind Turbines and ETSU-R-97' and 'Shining a Light on the BRE' on daylight and sunlight.

Chambers and Partners states that she is "*very strong technically*" and "*able to take on a lot of information and extract the key points*".

Qualifications

- Called: 2008 (Middle Temple)
 - MA (Oxon) (1st class) (Music)
 - GDL (City University)
 - BVC (BPP) (Outstanding)
 - Queen Mother's Scholarship, Middle Temple
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Publications

Books

- Gadsden on Commons and Greens (Sweet & Maxwell, 3rd edition, 2020) (author of chapter on 'The Welsh Position')
- Gadsden on Commons and Greens (Sweet & Maxwell, 2nd edition, 2011), author of chapters on 'The Use and Development of Common Land', 'The Welsh Position' and co-author of the chapter on 'Registering New Greens'
- Phillips & Norris, The Law of Regulatory Enforcement and Sanctions (OUP, 2011) (contributing author)

Journal Articles

- 'Shining a light on the BRE' J.P.L. 2019, 13 Supp (Shining a Light), OP21-OP26 (following a lecture Annabel gave at the 2019 Oxford Planning Law Conference)
- 'Devolution: overview of the environmental provisions of the emerging Wales Bill' Env. Law 2016, 96, 26-27
- 'Protective Costs Orders in environmental cases' S.J. 2015, 159(3), 28
- 'Full Speed Ahead' (on HS2 and statutory blight provisions) E.G. 2014, 1433, 44-46
- 'Noise from Wind Turbines and ETSU-R-97', J.P.L. 2013, 3, 271-276
- 'Understanding the CPR' S.J. 2013, 157 (4), 21
- 'Is the promptitude requirement in judicial review proceedings compatible with EU law?', S.J. 2012, 156/19
- 'Local Government Decisions', S.J. 2011, 155
- 'The 10 Year Rule and Breaches of Condition: A Critique of Ellis v. Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government and Chiltern DC' J.P.L. 2010 157 - 167 (cited in Planning Law Practice and Precedents (Sweet & Maxwell, looseleaf) at [8.16B])
- Commentary on Yetkin v. Newham London Borough Council, R.W.L.R. 2010 135-138
- 'Infrastructure Planning Commission: challenge or opportunity' J.P.L. 2009, 13 Supp., 7-23 (assisted Robert McCracken QC)
- 'The Community Infrastructure Levy: How it will operate in practice' J.P.L. 2009, 1267 - 1282 (with Gregory Jones QC)

Annabel speaks regularly at seminars both in Chambers and elsewhere.

Charitable and Other Roles

- Trustee and Board Member, Prime Cymru (charity for mature enterprise in Wales founded (when he was Prince of Wales) by HM King Charles III)
- Trustee and Council Member, London Sinfonietta (the UK's premiere contemporary classical music ensemble)
- Llandovery Town Councillor (former Mayor 2018-2019)
- Committee Member, Planning and Environmental Bar Association (member of working groups on Wellbeing at the Planning Bar and Women at the Planning Bar)
- Deputy Chancellor of the Diocese of Oxford

Quotes

"Annabel was a fantastic advocate and dealt with cross-examinations extremely effectively."

Chambers and Partners, 2025

"Annabel shows excellent advocacy skills, and an ability to pull together the strands of a case extremely quickly and present it in the best light. She has a complete control and command of document bundles and an ability to multitask on her feet which is highly impressive."

The Legal 500, 2025

"Annabel's bright, commercial and client-friendly."

Chambers and Partners, 2025

"Annabel's advocacy is very strong and she has an ability to adapt to the twists and turns of a complex fast changing situation for cross-examination and for submissions to an inspector. Written submissions are also strong but her cross-examination demonstrates great skill."

Legal 500, 2024

"She really pursues the case very well indeed, and she's good intellectually, as well as good in her manner with people and witnesses."

Chambers and Partners, 2023

"She has excellent political antennae. She puts clients at ease and instils confidence."

Chambers and Partners, 2023

"She is very thorough and clever; a real asset."

Chambers and Partners, 2023

"She is a very bright barrister with great attention to detail." "She provides efficient and effective advice."

Chambers and Partners, 2022