

RTPI London Young Planners

APC Snapshot Interview

Name – Hannah Blunstone

Committee Position – Communications Representative

Job – Senior Planner at WYG

Previous work experience – 4 month placement at Farrells

Date of submission – January 2012

Date of accreditation – June 2012



Range of experience you put in your submission:

By the time of submission in January 2012, I had three and a half years experience within the private sector planning practice. Being at the same company for this time and working with the same clients, allowed me to show my progression over the three years and how my level of responsibility increased from relatively junior tasks to assisting lead directors on projects.

Were you referred and required to re-submit? - I was referred the first time, and required to submit a revised PCS and PDP with some additional details. A supplementary statement had to be submitted on ethics.

Top learning points and pitfalls to avoid –

1. **Start the log book early.** Even though it is not marked, it is essential that it is in depth. Having a detailed log book really assists when writing the Professional Competence Statement.
2. **Read the guidance documents and then re-read.** Sounds simple, however they address some key guidelines and criteria which need to be addressed for each section.
3. **Mind map your case studies** against the requirements of the guidelines to help structure your Professional Competence Statement.

If you have questions about the APC process the committee are happy to pass your queries on to the membership department at RTPI just drop us a line at rtpiyoungplanners@gmail.com