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Reader in Planning and Urban Design at the Bartlett School of Planning.

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Matthew is an architect and a planner whose research interests in the interstices between these two established professions. Previously he worked as a lecturer at the University of Nottingham and before that as a researcher and architect in private practice.

His research has focused on the policy context for delivering better quality built and natural environments, having worked on a range of research projects examining:

Design policies in local plans

Residential design policy and guidance

Delivering urban renaissance

The value of urban design

The working relationships between housing providers and planners

Measuring and managing quality in planning

Managing external public space

Selected research projects:

Best Practice for Local Plan Policies on Design (DoE, 1993)

The Design Content of District-Wide Development Plans (ESRC, 1993-1995)

Housing Design Quality, Through Policy, Guidance and Review (University of Nottingham, 1993-1998)

Case Studies in Urban Renaissance for the South East (DETR, 1999-2000)

The Value of Urban Design (CABE, 2000)

Planners and Housing Providers, Working Together (RTPI/DETR/Housing Corporation/National Housing Federation/HBF, 2000-2001)

Measuring Quality: Best Value in Planning and Urban Design (ESRC, 2001-2002)

From Design Policy to Design Quality (RTPI, 2001/2002)

Managing External Public Space (ODPM, 2002)

Selected publications:

Punter J & Carmona M (1997) *The Design Dimension of Planning: Theory, Content and Best Practice for Design Policies*, London, E & FN Spon

Carmona M (2001) *Housing Design Quality, Through Policy, Guidance and Review*, London, Spon Press

Cadell C, Falk N, Carmona M & Hall P (2000) *Living Places, Implementing Urban Renaissance in the South East*, London, DETR

Carmona M, de Magalhães and Edwards M (2001) *The Value of Urban Design*, London, CABE (Thomas Telford)

Carmona M, Carmona S and Gallent N (2001) *Working Together, A Guide for Planners and Housing Providers*, London RTPI (Thomas Telford)

Carmona M & Punter J (2002) *From Design Policy to Design Quality*, London, Thomas Telford

Carmona M, Heath T, Oc T & Tiesdell S (2003) *Public Places- Urban Spaces, The Dimensions of Urban Design*, Oxford, Butterworth Heinemann

Carmona M, Carmona S & Gallent N (2003) *Delivering New Homes: Planning, Processes and Providers*, London, Spon Press

Matthew leads teaching in urban design at the Bartlett School of Planning, though which the linked areas of urban design 'theory', 'process' and 'policy' are explored. In BSc II and MPhil I he teaches courses exploring the theoretical underpinning to urban design, as a means to appraise existing environments and to forward practical proposals to influence the quality and liveability of urban space. In the Diploma and MSc/MPhil II years, those wishing to follow the Specialism in Urban Design work with Matthew to explore, first, the 'process' of urban design through a series of linked urban design projects, and second, the potentially positive role the planning system can play in guiding, and encouraging the better design of development.

In addition, Matthew is involved in thesis supervision at both MPhil and Diploma levels and acts as supervisor to a small group of PhD students.

Currently, Matthew Carmona holds positions on the RTPI Council and Research and Knowledge Committee, he is a member of the Urban Design Skilled Workers Group coordinated by CABE, he is on the editorial board of *Urban Design Quarterly* and is the Book Reviews Editor for the *Journal of Urban Design*, he is a visiting lecturer at the University of Nottingham. He is series editor for a series of 'Design in the Built Environment' texts to be published by Ashgate.