

# LOUISE WAKEFIELD

SPECIALIST STRATEGIC & STATUTORY PLANNER

## Qualifications:

BA Applied Science (Environmental Health)  
Advanced Development Assessment, Strategic Planning, Social & Community Planning  
Applied Management  
Executive MBA

## Affiliations:

Australian Institute of Company Directors  
Institute of Public Administration Australia  
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Louise has over 20 years' experience in planning and development with local government and the private sector, including the roles of Director Growth, Strategy & Culture at Goulburn Mulwaree Council and Board Member of the Sydney Catchment Authority.

Through her experience in assessing and preparing complex development applications on behalf of Council's and private developers, Louise has developed a balanced perspective of the competing priorities and commercial implications involved. This complements a broad understanding of planning policy and legislation, and the interrelationship between disparate frameworks and agency priorities. A strategic thinker and problem solver, Louise has strong negotiation skills and the ability to find consensus between stakeholders with her inclusive and collaborative approach towards outcomes.

Louise establishes positive relationships and successfully adapts her communication style for relevant audiences. She has extensive experience in community consultation and stakeholder engagement through participation of numerous committees and representing Councils on panels and forums. Louise has managed and led numerous development application processes through the regional and state planning assessment processes, and Land and Environment Court proceedings. Louise was a panel member representing Goulburn Mulwaree Council on the Southern Regional Planning Panel during her role as Director.

Louise has played an integral role in the planning, development and project management of various sporting, cultural and housing projects within regional New South Wales and was instrumental in the successful contract negotiation and concept development for the ACT Kingston Arts Precinct with the Suburban Land Agency.

Outside of work, life revolves around eating, drinking and laughing with family and friends. A self-confessed nerd, Louise loves learning and often has her head in a book or is trying her hand at something creative.

