

CURRICULUM VITAE – CHRISTOPHER JOHN POWER

- Position:** Principal, Chris Power Environmental Planning
- Qualifications:** Master of Planning Degree
Graduate Diploma in Planning
Certified Town and Country Planner (NSW)
- Professional Summary:** Chris has more than 40 years experience as a planner, including 11 years as a Planning Director and Chief Town Planner in Local Government, 5 years as NSW North Coast Regional Manager of a national multi-disciplinary environmental consultancy and 15 years running his own consultancy practice. He has extensive experience in managing large, multi-disciplinary projects such as EIS's and Environmental Studies. He is an expert in Local Government planning in NSW and has wide experience as an expert witness in the Land and Environment Court. He has worked extensively for State Government agencies, Councils, Corporate and private clients on a wide range of projects, including large-scale investigative studies; EIA; community consultation; formulation of strategic and management policies; and preparation and assessment of statutory planning Instruments and development applications.

Examples of Key Experience:

- **Environmental Impact Assessment & DAs:** Preparation and management of DAs, EISs and REFs, eg quarries, Pacific Highway upgrade, sewerage infrastructure, waste landfill, roads, dredging, sawmill, sand extraction, river training walls; preparation of numerous SEEs; visual assessments; objections and submissions on major development proposals.
- **Local Government and Strategic planning:** Urban and Rural Settlement Strategies; Environmental Studies, LEPs and DCPs; chairperson of formal Public Hearings; community consultation; Plans of Management; Floodplain and Coastline Management studies; Section 94 plans; Bicycle plans; evaluation of DAs, EISs and REFs; Organisation Development; manage consultant studies, eg waste management, CBD studies, heritage and Aboriginal heritage studies.
- **Management of Multi-Disciplinary studies:** Koala Management Plans, SISs and FISs; Environmental Management Plans; acoustic assessments; bushfire hazard assessments; odour investigations; Pollution Reduction Programs; landscape/ rehabilitation plans; river stabilisation and management plans; irrigation investigations; Landfill Environmental Management Plans.
- **Strategic studies and advice:** NSW Sugar industry sustainable planning advice; National Parks Precinct plans; Waste Depot and Landfill strategies; Environmental responsibilities advice.
- **Social and Economic Studies:** Developer contributions plans; feasibility assessments; service centre/ plant location studies; economic assessments.
- **Expert Testimony:** Expert witness, NSW Land and Environment Court.

