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| A CIMA qualified finance professional (20 years + PQE) with a wide range of experience in a number of different roles, operating environments, cultures and industries (education, telecoms, manufacturing, transport, market research, ecommerce and construction). From 2014 a new range of experiences in the areas of governance, politics, planning, policy development and social media through my work in Tower Hamlets |

# Experience

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| may 2014 – October 2015head of finance, new partnership networkingNewham Partnership Working was formerly Newham Schools Traded Services, part of Newham Council, was then spun off in 2012 as a mutual, not for profit organisation owned by schools of Newham. Recruited in 2014 as first Head of Finance and the first qualified accountant employed by the company. Support 145 schools across East London, £12m t/o, 115 employees. Employed to help professionalise the finance function and help the organisation to grow.November 2011 – August 2013acting fd/financial controller, aeroinv.comAero Inventory went into administration in 2009 and the administrators, KPMG chose to restructure the organisation and develop a new business model. I was appointed in 2011 to strengthen the finance team. Became acting FD in November 2012. Company sold in April 2013 to new owners in USA which then moved all operations to the US in summer 2013 leading to my redundancy.* Restarted P&L accounting and developed new management information for new business model that involved selling aircraft spare parts over the Internet to more than 100 countries.
* Managed the movement of stock valued at over $500m across ten international locations.
* Managing and developing a team of twelve accountants from AP clerks to qualified accountants with over 25 years’ experience, two direct reports.

**March 2010 – February 2011**Commercial financial controller, wpp kantar worldpanelBusiness partnering role at Kantar Worldpanel UK, the consumer research arm of WPP. Contract role, initially to replace FC who was off on long-term sickness. Fixed term contract ended Feb 2011.* Rebuilt almost from scratch the internal and external reporting processes after the sudden departure of the previous FC on long term sickness. Ensured that all processes were future proofed so that they were not as dependent on individual knowledge.
* Made significant improvements in the quality and content of management reports to help the UK board understand better what was happening within the business, a true business partnering role. Worked closely with senior management on quarterly and annual budget submissions.
* Also responsible for financial controls, debtor management, month end and SOX compliance.

**November 2006 – July 2009**financial controller, laing o’rourke/clm (olympic) delivery partnerCLM, a joint venture responsible for project managing the London 2012 Olympic building programme for the Olympic Delivery Authority. Employed by Laing O'Rourke, a UK construction company. * Built from scratch a finance function to support a business that went from ¬£0 turnover and 70 employees to a ¬£128m turnover business with 500 employees within 18 months while working within the largest building project in Europe.
* Responsible for all financial operations from AP, AR, Billing, Treasury, Tax & Statutory returns and stakeholder reporting. Initially all hands on then recruited four staff.
* Implemented an Oracle ERP system in 3 months as well as Hyperion Essbase.

**June 2004 – July 2006**revenue planning manager, saudi telecom company, riyadhSTC was the monopoly provider of mobile, fixed line, data & internet services in Saudi Arabia with revenue of approx. $9 billion USD. STC was going through considerable strategic change, as competition was being introducing during 2005/6. Helped my Saudi colleagues adapt to operate in an environment where the company was moving from being a 100% government owned monopoly to operating in a fully competitive partially privatised operating environment. Managed four staff.**July 2002 – May 2004**financial controller, novar, intelligent building systems* Responsible for consolidating all financial, planning and management accounting information from more than 20 operating units located around the world. Responsible for financial accounting and liaison with auditors. T/O £600m
* Providing senior management (incl MD and FD of IBS) and functional heads with all financial information from monthly management reports, quarterly forecasts to weekly sales reports. Assisted by 2-3 direct reports, reported to IBS FD

**May 2001 – January 2002**budget & planning manager, Global crossing, European finance**October 1998 – March 2001**finance manager, worldcom intl, intl financial planning & analysis**April 1997 – October 1998**financial analyst, o2 (Cellnet), service provider division**September 1994 – March 1997**finance manager, connex south eastern/british rail, train operatoR |

# Education

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| 2011-2016postgraduate diploma, war in the modern world, kcl |
| 1994-1996Chartered institute of management accountantsProfessional UK accountancy qualification. First time exam passes, passed in two years.1988-1991Bachelor of science political science 2.1 hon, bristol university |

# Skills

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| * Sage50
* SAP R3
* Oracle E-Business 11.5
* MS Excel, PowerPoint, Word
 | * German – verbal basic
* Hyperion Essbase, Planning, Enterprise
* Cognos Sonar, Adaytum
* SurveyMonkey, Mailchimp, Facebook, Twitter, Weebly
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# Other roleS

### may 2014 – Ongoing

## Councillor & group leader, Canary Wharf ward, LB of tower hamlets

Member of Audit, Pensions, Overview & Scrutiny, Housing Scrutiny, Grants Scrutiny (Chair 2017-18), Strategic Development (Deputy) & Development Committee (Deputy), frequent member of Appointments Panel Sub-Committee. Part-time evening & weekend-based role.

### August 2014 – Ongoing

## secretary, isle of dogs neighbourhood planning forum

Founded the Isle of Dogs Neighbourhood Planning Forum August 2014. Formally recognised April 2016. Largest Neighbourhood Planning Forum in the country based on population size. Working on Neighbourhood Plans for the Isle of Dogs and raising profile of development issues in the area.

* Trustee, Island Sports Trust, 2018 ongoing
* Chair of Patient Panel Royal London Hospital, Bart’s Health NHS Trust, April 2013 – 2016
* LEA School Governor, Brentford School for Girls – 2007 – 2013, Chair of Fin Cttee.
* Tower Science Academy, member of team proposing a new free school in East London
* Intelligence Corps, Territorial Army