CURRICULUM VITAE

Vernon Yen





AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Strategic land use planning analysis
- Multi-disciplinary planning reports
- Specialist planning technical studies
- Evaluation of planning policy and development matters
- Planning implementation and institutional frameworks
- □ Site development and design guidelines
- Statutory Planning and Development Assessment

QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor of Urban & Regional Planning, University of New England, Armidale NSW

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

December 2009 - Present

B P Development Consulting, Senior Strategic Planner

January 2005 – December 2009

Burchill VDM Pty Limited, Senior Overseas and Strategic Planner

May 2000 – December 2005

Byron Shire Council, Senior Town Planner

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Strategic land use planning analysis at local, district, regional and national levels.

Preparation and coordination of multi-disciplinary planning appraisals and spatial development strategies.

Preparation of and input to specialist planning technical studies.

Review of existing planning policy, practice and legislation, and identification of improvements to implementation and institutional frameworks.

Preparation of development controls and urban design guidelines.

Wide ranging experience in statutory planning and development assessment.

Strategic Planning Studies

Major strategic planning projects include:

 Brunei Darussalam National Land Use Master Plan 2006-2025

Senior Urban Planner for the preparation of the pre-eminent national land use strategy that presently guides the national physical planning of Negara Brunei Darussalam up to year 2025.

Brunei Land Availability Study 2006

Senior Urban Planner for the Brunei Land Availability Study 2006-2025, a major land analysis that broadly identified land suitable for urban development over the long and short term, and made recommendations for improvements to existing land management and land dispensation practices within the Brunei.

□ Belait District Plan 2010-2025

Senior Urban Planner for the preparation of a comprehensive plan to guide the spatial development for this 2,724km2 district within Brunei Darussalam.

Brunei Muara District Plan 2010-2025

Senior Urban Planner for the preparation of a comprehensive plan to guide the spatial development for the Brunei Muara District (571km²), the most heavily urbanised district of Brunei Darussalam and home to more than 70% of the national population.

Mukim Serasa Local Plan 2010-2025

Senior Urban Planner for the preparation of a detailed local plan to guide the development for this 3,500 hectare coastal locality at the north-eastern corner of the Brunei Muara district.

Key responsibilities for each of these projects included :

- major contributions to the preparation of key reporting deliverables including :
 - Inception Report;
 - Proposals and Strategies Report;

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January 1999 – May 2000

Hornsby Shire Council, Town Planner

February 1993 – May 1996

Eurobodalla Shire Council, Town Planner/Strategic Planner

May 1991 – September 1992

Wingecaribee Shire Council, Graduate Town Planner

COUNTRIES OF WORK EXPERIENCE

- Australia
- Brunei
- China
- Indonesia
- India
- Malaysia
- UAE



- Growth Centres Report;
- Draft Final Report;
- Final Report;
- Executive Summary and Leaflets;
- □ the preparation of specialist technical studies including :
 - Macro Framework Analysis;
 - o Land Use, Land Suitability and Land Availability;
 - Settlement Patterns and Emergent Growth Centres;
 - Built Environment;
 - Housing, Commerce and Community Facilities;
 - o Telecommunications; and
 - Implementation Priorities and Preliminary Indicative Costings.
- liaison with key government departments and stakeholders;
- presentation to government authorities, ministers and members of the ruling monarchy;
- conducting stakeholder workshops and community dialogue sessions;
- preparation of the script and draft storyboard for use in multimedia presentations; and
- preparation of preliminary structure planning for areas identified as emergent growth centres critical to long term strategic development.

Master Planning Projects

Provided planning inputs into master planning projects and prepared site development and urban design guidelines for the following major projects:

- □ **Binjiang New District Master Plan**, Jiangmen City, Guangdong Province, China
- **Ranchi City Centre Complex**, Jharkand State, India
- Lagoi Bay International Beach Resort, Bintan Island, Indonesia
- Puteri Harbour Residential North Precinct, Johor Bahru, Malaysia

Statutory Planning

- □ Extensive experience in statutory planning and development assessment. Key responsibilities include:
- Case managing development applications for a broad range of land use types and intensities to achieve rational, sustainable and realistic outcomes;
- □ Assessment of a range of planning proposals across urban and rural environments in New South Wales, Australia;
- □ Acting as an expert planning witness in litigation matters;
- □ Extensive planning advice and assistance to developers, Government and community stakeholders.