

Robert Maguire

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Prior to coming to work on Phase I of Canary Wharf in 1988, Robert was area planner for the City of Toronto and subsequently a senior consultant with Urban Strategies Inc. in Toronto. He worked on the World Financial Centre and Penn Station Redevelopments in NYC for Olympia & York. Since the early 90's Robert has practiced as an urban development and regeneration specialist and led the planning and development of some of the UK's major urban regeneration schemes including: Great Northern Warehouse District in central Manchester; Commonwealth Games Park in East Manchester; Speke-Garston in Liverpool, the Greenwich Peninsula leading up to the Millennium Exhibition in 2000, two major residential-retail schemes in Milton Keynes; the Liverpool Arena and Conference Centre at Albert Dock for the City's Capital of Culture in 2008 and a wide range of mixed-use schemes for both the public and private sectors.

He recently completed a four year assignment with Canary Wharf Group Plc acting as Project Director for Canary Wharf's £4 bn major expansion consisting of 30 buildings and 20 acres of public realm and supporting infrastructure.

He was founder of Café Brera, which was sold in 2007 and he has acted as an angel investor for tech start-ups and an independent UK film production company 4D Films.

He holds a BA (Hons.) from Simon Fraser University and an MSc (PI) in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Toronto. He undertook post-graduate studies at St. John's College, University of Cambridge in the Department of Land Economy.