Bill McElroy

Bill has over 35 year's programme and project management experience, including managing a wide spectrum of programmes and projects, from capital investment to organisational change, and providing strategic advice.

Between November 2010 to September 2012 Bill was Head of Programme and Project Management for Turner & Townsend Infrastructure (UK). As such, he was professional functional lead to c. 100 project management staff working on a range of infrastructure projects across the UK.

During this period Bill also led a 100+ project support team providing an integrated project controls, commercial and contract management service to Heathrow Airport Limited on the £2.5bn Heathrow Terminal 2 construction project.

From September 2012 to April 2016 Bill was Managing Director of Turner & Townsend Consulting Limited. This role was expanded to Managing Director, Advisory in May 2016. This was to lead an operating Division consisting of three specialist businesses with a combined staff of over 220 people, and turnover of c. £30m.

Having firmly established the UK Advisory Division Bill moved into the role of Head of Industry Strategy in May 2018. In this role Bill coordinates Turner & Townsend's interfaces with UK Government (national and local) and key Industry bodies.

As a Fellow of both the Institution of Civil Engineers and Association for Project Management Bill has also been at the forefront of the development of "best practice" in both fields. He has been an active contributor to the APM's development and core initiatives to define best practice, these include: as a technical referee for the International Journal for Project Management, contributing to the APM 'Body of Knowledge' (5th and 6th Editions), the APM's 'Year Book' (2003) and 'being an active member of the APM's Network 500; a panel of leading programme and project management experts. Bill's contribution was also sought for the Institution of Civil Engineers 'Client Best Practice Guide', and the update to the APM's guidance document 'Sponsoring Change'.

Bill has also been actively involved in the implementation of cross industry improvements in the UK construction sector as Chair of the Infrastructure Data Group, a member of the Infrastructure Standards Group and member of Infrastructure Steering Committee established to provide senior industry support to the UK Government's Chief Construction Adviser. He also led Turner & Townsend's editorial input to the 'Infrastructure Project Initiation Routemap', which was published by HM Treasury in July 2014, and updated in 2016.

As Visiting Lecturer in Strategic Programme Management at Imperial College London Bill has developed and led project and programme management modules for several executive and full time MBA and MSc programmes. This included a Public Sector Executive MBA Programme sponsored by the UK Cabinet Office. Bill is also a Visiting Lecturer in Corporate Governance at University College London.

Bill's expertise in project management and extensive experience means his input is often sought to lead reviews on complex projects. This is evidenced by Bill's accreditation by the UK Government's Infrastructure & Projects Authority, as a reviewer of complex projects within the UK Government's Major Projects Portfolio. Bill is also an accredited reviewer for major projects undertaken by the Devolved Governments (Scotland, Wales & Northern Ireland).