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*BDK Architects 1988 to present*

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Date of Birth 29/11/1955  
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Leisure Interests Film, reading, cooking  
and photography

## PAUL W. HARDING

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### EXPERIENCE

Paul's experience and background as a Chartered Architect on a wide range of building types and sizes, together with deep understanding of architecture and building structures equips him to think 'out of the box' and bring a fresh approach. He has had wide experience of all building types on projects up to £17M value and brings a logical, practical approach with an ability to develop ideas quickly to identify the optimum solution. He has progressed from positions as Branch Architect for a large

UK practice, Sole Practitioner; Construction Director and for the last 22 years has been Senior Principal of BDK Architects in Jersey. The core of Paul's work has been in private practice as a Chartered Architect, but he has also held key roles within an interior design practice and a building contractor giving a rounded experience and deep knowledge of construction techniques, processes, procedures and contractual arrangements.

### EDUCATION

*1977*  
**Sheffield University**  
Bachelor of Arts Degree with Honours in Architecture  
*1980*  
**Sheffield University**  
Diploma in Architecture with Distinction in Design

*1981*  
**Sheffield University**  
Certificate of Professional Practice in Architecture  
*1982*  
**Royal Institute of British Architects**  
Corporate Member

### CAREER HISTORY

1988 to present	<b>BDK Architects (Jersey) C.I.</b> Director
1988	<b>Sabbatical Sailing European &amp; Mediterranean waters</b>
1985 to 1988	<b>Interior Design &amp; Construction company (Shepperton)</b> Director
1983 to 1985	<b>Fairhursts Architects (Sheffield)</b> Principal Branch Architect
1980 to 1983	<b>Shepherd Fowler &amp; Robinson (Sheffield)</b> Project Architect
1977 to 1979	<b>Design Teaching Practice (Sheffield)</b> Trainee Architect

### PROJECTS

*Jersey Archive 1995 / 2000*  
The new Archive centre for Jersey. Paul ran as Project Director of team providing feasibility, master planning, full architectural services, contract administration & interior / furniture design. Incorporated passive techniques to control internal environment, believed to be the largest non air-conditioned Archive in the world. Received Civic Trust, Concrete Society and four Jersey Design Awards.

*Le Coie Housing 1996 / 2006 - 96*  
Social Rented flats plus Community Centre, Assisted Living unit and Child Care Facility. At competitive interview BDK Architects were independently judged to have produced the best urban planning concept for the site and had the highest practice confidence rating for our technical ability, resources and other qualities.

### AWARDS

*2003*  
**St. Georges School Sports Hall & Intersport Heroes Retail Store**  
UK Civic Trust Awards  
*2002*  
**Jersey Archive**  
UK Concrete Society Award  
*2001*  
**Jersey Archive**  
UK Civic Trust Award

*2000*  
**Jersey Archive**  
Jersey Design Awards – Best Large Scale Development; Best External Elements; Best Use of Colour & Best Offices  
*1996*  
**Luxury Apartment Development**  
Winner Seymours Ltd. Design Competition

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### OTHER POSITIONS

- 2012-2014** *Chairman of Highlands College Board of Governors Jersey's College of Further & Higher Education, Governor since 2003 and has chaired Committee's*
- 2010-2012** *President of The Association of Jersey Architects for third term.*
- 2010-2012** *Chairman of Jersey Committee, 41 Club 2012 UK National Conference*
- 2010-2011** *Chairman of Standards Committee, Highlands College Board of Governors*
- 2004-2007** *Founder & First Board Chairman of The Jersey Construction Council Ltd.*  
Paul was instrumental in setting up and incorporating this pan-construction industry body (Contractors, Consultants, Trades & Suppliers) to co-ordinate the whole of the Jersey construction industry and providing representation to government.
- 2004-present** *Member of Planning Ministers Listings Advisory Group*
- 2003-present** *Member of Jersey Planning Minister's Historic Building Listing Advisory Group*
- 2003-2008** *Governor, Highlands College Board of Governors*
- 2002-2006** *President of The Association of Jersey Architects for two terms.*
- 1999-2000** *Millennium Chairman, Jersey 41 Club (Association of ex-Round Tablers)*
- 1997-2004** *Council Member of Jersey Construction Forum*
- 1994-present** *Council Member of The Association of Jersey Architects*
- 1992-2002** *Consultant Architect, States of Jersey Overseas Aid Committee*

External image of "The Cube"



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Le Coie  
St. Helier, Jersey

The scheme involved demolition of an old hotel, and re-construction of virtually a whole town block to provide 49 one bedroom and 46 two bedroom social rented flats, a six bedroom special needs unit, Community Centre and Child Care Facility with landscaping, children's play area, teenagers' activity area and roof garden above the highest six-storey section. Affordable price, and evolved to overcome external challenges including affordability, density, topographical and maintenance issues. Close attention was given to Value Engineering the design and detailing, during which we identified a new voided concrete structural floor system, *BubbleDeck*, adoption of which has produced a total project saving of £0.6M, amounting to a significant 4.5% reduction in construction cost. This floor system is lighter and more efficient than traditional solutions, enabling greater spans to be achieved, reduce foundation sizes, omission of load bearing blockwork and structural steel frame.



Jersey General Hospital  
St. Helier, Jersey

The development at the Jersey General Hospital was a combination of several projects to create a much needed second Day-Surgery Theatre with additional bed spaces and consultants' rooms. The project also required the adjustment of ancillary facilities, together with the construction of a three storey extension containing administration offices for Acute - General Administration and Human Resource Departments. The main building extension of this project was located on top of the existing medical library situated between the SSI listed Granite Building, Peter Crill and Gwyneth Huelin Buildings, with an additional building constructed to link all elements together. The multi-phased programme was required to ensure that the existing Day-Surgery Unit could continue to work to its current capacity with at least one operating theatre kept in use at all times.



Jersey Archive  
St. Helier, Jersey

The Jersey Archive is the largest passively air-conditioned archive building in the world and creates two new intimate public spaces for St Helier. Opened in July 2000, on the site of a former quarry, this facility has created a new civic destination for the local population and tourists re-tracing their roots in the Channel Islands. The building is uncompromisingly modern but with a sensitive use of materials, demonstrating how modern architecture can fit into and complement Jersey's traditional setting. Together with engineer's Ove Arup and Partners, the design team developed an environmental strategy that exploits the significant thermal mass of the building's structure to provide effective passive air conditioning obviating the need for powered air conditioning with its high capital, running and maintenance costs. BDK Architects also undertook Interior Design for the project introducing detailing and procurement of the bespoke furniture and management of Public Art intervention.

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Windsor Crescent  
St. Helier, Jersey

The design concept comprises "minimal intervention" by adding a modern high-tech glass walled extension having a lightweight feel and minimal structure, complementing but contrasting with the original traditional Regency house. The light, fully glazed walls, allows the original house structure & form to remain visible and appreciated. The existing configuration of this Regency house, having the ground floor elevated some 1.5 metres above rear garden level, posed a challenge. Moreover our Client has a slight mobility impairment and he set an objective to achieve accessibility from within the house into the Sunroom extension. From the start our intention was for "The Cube" to embody, despite having fully glazed walling, a sustainable ethos. The principal materials selected, comprising the triple Low 'E' argon filled glazed walls, steel frame and a highly insulated zinc roof are all sustainable materials. The real "magic" came from how we connected all these parts together to create a watertight and energy efficient floating Cube.



Former YPF Site  
Port Stanelly, Falkland Islands

The project brief required BDK Architects to plan a 8,233 m<sup>2</sup> site for mixed use, to include 1,944m<sup>2</sup> of grade A office space, 39no. Two bedroom Serviced Apartments with parking and amenity provision of 379 m<sup>2</sup>. Our desire for a local Falkland vernacular edge to the designs, together with a pragmatic approach to what is available and cost effective, means that we are able to use traditional materials and finishes such as corrugated iron, steel profile sheeting, timber and other shiplap cladding systems. The proposed development is designed to respect the existing grain of housing and avoid adverse impact on surroundings by providing new amenities areas for residents to enjoy including new leisure facilities and a local shop. The close proximity of these new facilities aims to enhance the area and reduce the local reliance on cars for travel. Further more, the high quality energy efficient designs will provide a low onward running and heating cost, whilst providing affordable 2-bedroom apartments which will address over 15% of Stanley's housing requirements between 2011 & 2016.



Plemont Holiday Village,  
St. Ouen, Jersey

Located on the picturesque North Coast of Jersey, Plemont Holiday Village (originally Plemont Hotel & Parkins Holiday Village) closed to the public in 2000 following a steep and continued fall in visitor numbers. The substantial site which covered some 39,471m<sup>2</sup> had been used for tourism for over 100 years. It had evolved over time and was even rebuilt after WWII until some 51% of the was covered in buildings. The loss of tourism to the site led to many schemes being considered and refused, from self-catering eco-units to mass house building. Eventually after negotiation with planning a scheme was developed to clear the heavily developed north part of the site in exchange for developing a number of housing units. As part of the agreed development the client has offered to restore much of the land to natural gorse and heather and also create a central grassed area between three clusters of housing, to then be donated to the people of Jersey. Representing 70% of the existing site this donation represents a huge environmental and social gain to the people of Jersey. Furthermore the development represents to opportunity to support research and mitigation measures to support the wildlife on the site, in addition to the normal percentage for art and the refurbishment of the German bunker and old pump house, whilst providing 28 much needed low energy family homes. The scheme has been landmark in every sense, having been approved in 2012 following an independent public inquiry and then being saved from compulsory purchase by just 1 vote.



St. Brelade's Bay Hotel  
St. Brelade, Jersey

BDK were appointed the challenge of creating a luxury Health club integrating an indoor swimming pool containing steam room and two Jacuzzi spa's, a gym, two general fitness/aerobic studios, male and female changing rooms and café. Relocation of 8 staff bedrooms and hotel laundry on the north wing of the site created space for a new wellbeing suite, an office and main reception access for the club. The site includes 158 car parking spaces 8 of which are designated ambulant spaces. The project involved demolishing existing staff accommodation located at rear of the Hotel in a multiphase build. The facilities presents a welcome opportunity for significant inward investment into Jersey's Tourism industry. It created an all-weather destination revitalising St Brelade's Bay Hotel and turned it from a seasonal Hotel into a 12 month operation. The Health and Fitness Club enhances the Hotel offering and attracts a market audience of 250,000 + DW Sports Fitness Club Members from across the UK in addition to consolidating the Hotels' existing markets.

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