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What does your job involve?

Throughout my career I've been lucky to work on a wide range of interesting and high-profile projects. Last year I worked to bring the Tour de France cycle road race to London in collaboration with teams from across Transport for London (TfL), partner organisations and key stakeholders. This year I'm working on delivering one of the Mayor's flagship Cycle Superhighways which will provide a fully segregated, bi-directional cycle lane between Oval and Pimlico. My day-to-day role involves managing the contractors during construction, working with TfL's teams to deliver the project to time, budget and quality, and ensuring the public has access to the most up to date information regarding disruption.

How did you get into transport?

In 2003, aged 16, I started working in an engineering consultancy as an administration assistant. I quickly became interested in the highways projects being delivered by my office and was offered the opportunity to be sponsored through higher education. After six years of part-time study, I successfully gained a Higher National Certificate and a BEng in Civil Engineering, along with years of invaluable work experience. I was attracted to the problem solving aspect of highways engineering projects and the many opportunities which arise through working on London's transport network.

What do you like about working in transport?

Everything I've worked on to date has revolved around finding solutions to problems and/or developing our road network for the future. Knowing that I'm helping to solve problems gives me a great sense of achievement, whether it's making the roads safer for cyclists or reducing congestion and pollution in our city.

Tell us something people don't know about you

I was awarded an Outstanding Achievement Award at the 2007 British Parking Awards. For the last eight years I haven't been able to park a car without one of my friends bringing this up!