



SARA PEGRAM GradIHIE

Sara is a Contract Implementation Engineer for East Surrey, working in the highway partnership between Surrey County Council and Carillion. She ensures that schemes are efficiently prepared, and then delivered successfully. She is out of the office and on-site most days: a rewarding part of her job, as Sara “relishes the outdoors” and once planned to be a National Parks Ranger.

Facing massive competition for Ranger jobs, she became a “temporary Business Support Officer for Surrey for two weeks”, seven years ago. She moved into Highways and found that the work involved environmental issues, and that she was engaged with projects that affected people’s quality of life.

Surrey now sponsors Sara on a day-release 5-year Civil Engineering BSc, with four years completed. “Its hard work, but I get a lot of support from my employer and colleagues, and it will be worth it in the end”.

Sara enjoys variety, appreciating that “most days turn out differently to what was planned”. Her ultimate aim is to achieve CEng status.

Happy to serve on her branch committee of the IHIE Council, Sara would like to see its profile raised in universities and colleges

Sara is also a Scout Leader, and plans a dog-sledging holiday in the Arctic in 2009.