

# CURRICULUM VITAE



## Hugh Blackwood Chief Executive

### POSITION

Chief Executive

### DATE OF BIRTH

1948

### NATIONALITY

British

### LANGUAGES

English : Mother Tongue

French : Basic

### QUALIFICATIONS

BSc, University of Strathclyde, 1971

MSc (Civil Engineering), University of Strathclyde, 1977

Fellow of the Institution of Civil Engineers

Fellow of the Institution of Highways and Transportation

Member of the Association of Consulting Engineers

Member of the Association of Project Managers

### KEY SKILLS

Corporate Governance

Commercial Management

Business Planning

Multi-disciplinary Project Management

Training & Development

## Synopsis

Hugh Blackwood is Chief Executive of Scott Wilson Railways Ltd and represents the Railways Division on the Main Board of the Scott Wilson Group.

On the Main Board he holds the portfolio for the management and development of internal Business Processes including Safety, Quality, Environment and Electronic Enterprise Management.

He has been with Scott Wilson since 1971, when he joined as an Assistant under Agreement on graduation from University of Strathclyde. On becoming Chartered in 1974, he spent some time overseas seconded to local Scott Wilson partnerships, involved in the design of urban development and trunk roads in Nigeria and Libya.

In 1982 he returned to the Glasgow Office where he has been engaged in a wide range of infrastructure planning and design activities both in UK and overseas. He was project director for over £150M of motorway development on behalf of The Scottish Office in addition to a number of major trunk road schemes, being made a Director of the firm in 1987. He acted as Project Director for the firm's initial route location work on Channel Tunnel Rail Link and on other rail projects in Scotland.

In 1995 he took over director responsibility for the newly acquired former British Rail design offices in Glasgow and Swindon and has since acted as Project Director on a number of major multi-disciplinary projects and term commissions for Railtrack / Network Rail.

In 2000 he was appointed Chief Executive of Scott Wilson's railways business worldwide. The business currently has an annual fee turnover of around £28m, which has doubled in the past 3 years.



## Selected Professional History

The Railways Division of Scott Wilson is currently involved in the development of major projects in the UK and internationally.

**West Coast Route Modernisation  
London Crossrail  
Edinburgh Airport Rail Link  
Athens Metro Extensions  
Dutch High Speed Line  
Cross Harbour Tunnel, Hong Kong**

**West Coast Route Modernisation**  
Project Director for Major multi-functional remodelling and upgrading of West Coast Main Line in West Midlands and Scotland for Network Rail.

**Cross Country Route Modernisation**

Project Director for route speed and capacity improvements to Cross Country routes through West Midlands for Network Rail.

**Channel Tunnel Rail Link**

Project Director for route location studies, preliminary engineering and preparation of parliamentary orders for CTRL from North Downs to Ashford, Kent for Union Railways.

**M74 Upgrade to Motorway**

Project Director for final design, procurement and delivery of £150m motorway upgrade South of Beattock. Thirty year operational franchise by DBFO for Scottish Executive.

**Abuja, Federal Capital of Nigeria**

Project Manager for design development and procurement of infrastructure for Central Business District of new federal capital valued at £450m for federal government.

**M8 Glasgow Urban Motorway Network**

Design Engineer involved in development of solutions for multilane highways through Glasgow. Site supervision of multi-million pound construction contracts.