

## Tom Hopkins

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Tom is a highly qualified rolling stock engineering and management consultant with over 15 years' experience in the rail sector. In-depth understanding and practical working knowledge of all aspects of rolling stock operation, maintenance and commercial arrangements gained through consulting assignments and roles at all levels within train operating companies and asset owners.

### Specialisations:

- Rail rolling stock business and operational strategy, market analysis, organisational capability assessment and business planning;
- Rolling stock fleet management, reliability, performance improvement, cost control, leasing, contracts, maintenance practice and process, organisational structure, quality and safety management systems;
- Fleet and depot operation, within the wider context of railway operations, including timetabling, service control and performance management;

### Profession

Rail Business Consultant

### Current Position

Associate Director

### Joined IPEX

Jan 2017

Tom brings together strategic and commercial insight with practical engineering and management experience to identify solutions that are both appropriate, realisable as well as strategically aligned

### Nationality

British

### Qualifications

MBA, Ashridge Business School, 2015

CEng, Chartered Engineer, 2007

CQP, Chartered Quality Practitioner, 2010

BEng (Hons), Electronics & Electrical Engineering, University of Edinburgh, 2001

Prince 2 Practitioner

Six Sigma Black Belt

### Professional Associations

Member of the Institution of Engineering and Technology (MIET)

Member of the Chartered Quality Institute (MCQI)

### Rail experience:

**International Rolling Stock Manufacturer (2018)** – Strategic support with product and bid development for UK franchise bidder.

**Govia Thameslink Railway (2017-18)** – High level review of Siemens' delivery of Class 700 units under TSA; review of Class 377 reliability.

**Savills (2017)** – Business review of outlook for privately owned strategic rail maintenance facility (transaction advisory).

**International Rolling Stock Manufacturer (2017)** – Review and enhancement of a bid for supply of rolling stock to a UK client.

**Downer Rail, Melbourne HCMT Project (2017)** – Project Manager for maintenance mobilisation work streams, including RAMS Engineering.

**Thameslink Programme Independent Assessment Panel (2017)** – Panel member for Rolling Stock.

**Heathrow Express Head of Engineering (2014 – 2016)** – Accountable for all aspects of the Heathrow Express fleets and maintenance depot; the most senior engineer within the business. Led identification of fleet options to support future business / service delivery strategies.

**Southeastern, various roles (2012 – 2014)** – including Fleet Manager, Metro and Head of Planning, Materials and Technical.

