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Rosemary is an experienced project manager and consultant having been responsible for business consultancy and rural economic development projects for public and private sector clients since 1993. Throughout her career she has worked in a variety of sectors and roles from technical and production areas in commercial agriculture and manufacturing to public sector strategic policy and implementation projects. She has substantial experience of managing diverse projects and businesses in challenging commercial and public sector environments.

She has now taken responsibility for development of ADAS Environment Group work with clients in regional and local government and takes the lead on winning and managing projects across a range of specialisms.

She is a qualified PRINCE2 project manager at practitioner level with high level strategic and business decision-making skills, and the ability to develop and deliver complex projects involving large number of elements. She also has excellent negotiation and selling skills, and personnel and business management experience.

Rosemary graduated from Nottingham University (Sutton Bonington) with a first class honours degree in Agriculture but choose a career path in the commercial rather than academic field. After a number of years working in technical sales in the agricultural supply industry she joined ADAS as a livestock and business management consultant. Over the next 10 years she worked for individual farm businesses and public sector organisations, including developing and managing projects on farm tourism, regional food and redundant buildings funded under objective 5B. In 2000 she left ADAS and became a director of a company set up to test market an innovative concept in food marketing and home delivery. She also worked on a consultancy basis for a company involved in developing and growing novel oilseed crops, processing and marketing speciality oil products for the health, food, and pharmaceutical and associated sectors. In both these roles she was involved in marketing, product development, supply chain management, logistics and distribution and financial administration. In 2004 she rejoined ADAS as team leader of a group of consultants working in the East Midlands.

Married with a teenage son she is based in Lincolnshire and covers the country meeting clients and ensuring ADAS service meets our clients needs and expectations.