

Warren, Helen Louise

Nominee of the **United Kingdom** for election to the Committee on Budget and Finance of the International Criminal Court.

Curriculum vitae

Helen Louise Warren

- July 2015 – present Project Manager, Department for Work and Pensions
Managing a delivery project which planned, built and staffed two assessment centres in different locations to interview claimants seeking disability benefit. The national activity is undertaken via an external contract but the project allows the Department to assess value for money in contracts and provides the ability to test and trail any administrative or policy changes without disrupting agreed contracting arrangements. The project has a budget of around £7m. Both centres are now open and functioning on time and under budget.
- April 2015 – July 2015 Head of Fiscal Events Team, Department for Work and Pensions -
Within the Planning and Performance Management Directorate, leading the team managing DWP input into the Government wide budgetary process run by HM Treasury to establish annual expenditure. Management of one event post-election of a majority Government which sought to reduce the welfare spend by billions of pounds as part of the austerity agenda. The process was quick with high level of security around it and required a high level of assurance by the independent Office of Budget Responsibility (OBR) of the integrity of the measures and their collective impact. The team led all processes to share and discuss proposals across Departments, managed the overall scorecard of contributions which was eventually published and liaison with the OBR.
- Sept 2013 – March 2014 Department for Work and Pensions - Economic Adviser - Risk Management
Working in the Planning and Performance Management Directorate investigating the DWP risk landscape and observing how risk was identified, monitored and reported. Provided constructive challenge and support to internal proposals and processes and effectively engaged with external colleagues, including HMT, Cabinet Office and No.10 on related matters concerning Universal Credit, specifically assisting with clearance of the reset Business case and Fiscal Event measures liaison and associated engagement with the Office of Budget Responsibility (OBR). Studying for Certificate in Public Finance and Administration (CIPFA) qualification.
- Oct 2012 – Sept 2013 Head of G7 Presidency logistics, HM Treasury (UK Finance Ministry)
Project lead for all logistical aspects of the 2013 UK Presidency of the Group of Seven (G7) international forum. Managed the budget of £1m ensuring accountability and suitable governance arrangements followed for HM Treasury and the Bank of England as budget holders. As well as organising and supporting conference calls at Ministerial and Deputy level also planning and delivering a set piece meeting hosted by the Chancellor (Minister of Finance) and Governor of the Bank of England for Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors and heads of a number of international financial institutions.
- June 2010 – Oct 2012 Head of Olympic & Sport Spending, HM Treasury (UK Finance Ministry)
Internal lead for the £9.3bn Olympic and Paralympic Games budget and around £200m Government spend on sports policy. Understanding the resources needed in the context of the current landscape and advising HMT ministers on all aspects of spend in these areas and implications of changes to budgets. Ensuring and monitoring effective spending control, appropriate risk management and value for money and efficiency for the tax-payer. Provide constructive challenge, where necessary, to collectively deliver desired outcomes.

- Feb 2009 – June 2010 Economic Adviser, Social Fund Team, UK Department for Work & Pensions
Accountable for various elements of the Social Fund, including improving delivery of Community Care Grants, worth £139m in 2010.
- June 2008 – Jan 2009 Economic Adviser, Long Term Benefit Strategy Division, UK Department for Work & Pensions
Secretariat to governance structure for 2009 reform of the welfare agenda. Role included management of Directors group, co-chair of official steering group and member of project management office.
- March 2006 – June 2008 Private Secretary to the Secretary of State, UK Department for Work & Pensions
Supported Secretary of State on all children, poverty and international matters.
- Sept 2005 – March 2006 Economic Adviser, EU & International Labour Market Division, Department for Work & Pensions,
Analyst on all aspects of non UK labour markets. Managed evidence base for status of the UK labour market compared to other countries. UK representative of EU Employment Committee sub-group.
- July 2004 – Sept 2005 Economic Advisor, Private Pensions Analysis Directorate, UK Department for Work & Pensions
Provided analytical research, policy papers and secretariat support to the X-Gov group on Annuities.

EDUCATION & SKILLS

- Oct 1999 – Jun 2003 University of Bath, UK
2:1 (BSc Hons) Economics with Industrial Placement
- 2009 Prince II Foundation and Practitioner
- 2008 onwards Government Economic Service Graduate Assessor
