



SEAN BYRNE

PERSONAL DETAILS

Lets just say that I am over 21 with a daughter aged 23 and a son aged 18 (that should give you a fair idea of my age!) Oh and I have been married for 25years!!

We have lived in the West Midlands for too long now as my Yorkshire accent has very much been diluted, much to the amusement of my family back 'up North'

QUALIFICATIONS

- HND – Spatial & Contract Design
- OND – Spatial & Contract Design
- MCSD – Member of The Chartered Society of Designers

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN WITH SABIAN AND WHAT IS YOUR ROLE?

I'm the new boy on the block having joined in February 2010, my primary role is to expand and develop the Retail side of the business building on the success of the past few years.

So I suppose you could say that my current role is that of Business Development specialising in the Retail Development and Retail Project Management disciplines.

WHAT ARE THE LEAST/MOST SATISFYING ASPECTS OF YOUR POSITION?

I'm not sure if this next statement makes me weird or unique but I don't have any least satisfying aspect to my role!! The role is such that I have contact with a huge variety of people from all disciplines and all levels of business, each with their own thoughts, ways, etc. I would say the most satisfying aspect is being in the Sabian team – never a dull moment.

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IF YOU HADN'T GONE INTO PROPERTY WHAT WOULD YOU HAVE DONE?

That's easy – Accountancy! Having always had a natural affinity with numbers, maths, etc. I started my working life as a trainee account but quickly thought I need to explore more of the Career market before deciding on the Accounting route and look where it got me.

WHO WAS YOUR MENTOR AND WHO DO YOU MOST ADMIRE?

Mentor: Mr Brian Gunner – Financial Controller at The British Shoe Corporation, my first company/ position, he was hard, fair and very knowledgeable, started me straight and kept me straight. Admire anyone that doesn't say can't do that but says I will find out how to do it and give it my best shot!!

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN GIVEN GOOD ADVICE?

When playing rugby league as a 16year old in the open age league my coach said to me "when you get the ball run like mad (not the word he used but will do) and keep your bloody head down".

WHAT DO YOU DO IN YOUR SPARE TIME?

Up until recently I used to race in Triathlons and play Rugby Union, I will be starting these again this year. My wife would say that it should be DIY?!

WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?

Watch this space.....

