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PROFILE

Year 13 at Loughborough College, predicted A/A* in Maths, Further Maths, Physics and Accounting, applying for Level 6 civil engineering degree apprenticeships. Paid role at a Leicester design agency alongside college, and one of the main volunteers at a community-owned building, where my idea for concealing the main hall's tie rods was signed off by the structural engineer and built. AutoCAD and SketchUp since Year 10, with drawings tested in physical scale models.

EXPERIENCE

Design & Marketing Executive — Ivar Design Consultants, Leicester

2025 – present

Branding, advertising and FMCG packaging agency. Paid role alongside full-time A Levels.

- **Built a 6m × 4m exhibition stand** at the Food & Drink Expo, NEC, as one of a two-person crew. Units would not sit flush once standing, so we tied their tops together with spare legs off the van; the stand was up the day before the show opened.
- **Packaging design for FMCG clients**, now stocked in Asda and Tesco.
- **Designed and built 5+ websites for FMCG brands**, concept to live site, front end written myself; rebuilt the agency's own site, ivardc.com, end to end.
- **Handle most of the agency's social content production**, static and motion, brief through to finished assets.

Volunteer — Claremont Street Mandir, Leicester

4+ years

Converted Methodist church bought and run by a members' association: no developer, no professional client.

- **One of the building's main volunteers** since the community bought it, and the only one of my generation.
- **My idea: hid the main hall's exposed steel tie rods above a new ceiling line.** Put it to the structural engineer myself, who confirmed new frames above the ceiling could carry the load. Built to my proposal.
- **Worked alongside the builders for several weeks** on the main hall renovation: labouring, measuring, setting out and hands-on building.
- **Put design and interior views to the committee**, where the members paying for the work price and argue over every option, and worked with the contractor on cosmetic decisions.
- **Run crowd control on festival days**: barrier lines that move 1,000+ people through one hall without backing up at the door.
- **Play dhol at the mandir's major events**; footage has passed 20,000 views worldwide.

Architecture Placement — Pick Everard, Leicester

April 2024

- **Five days with the architecture team on the Town Hall Project**, a live Leicester site: research the area, establish what the community needed and show the scheme could generate economic value. Options drawn by hand, scheme resolved in SketchUp, scale model built.
- **Presented the proposal to the firm's architects** and defended the decisions behind it under questioning.

PROJECTS

How Architecture Shapes the Way People Use Spaces — college research project

2026

Interviews and a questionnaire with 18 industry professionals, plus case studies of Fallingwater, The Shard and Bosco Verticale; natural light, open space and greenery ranked highest. Written up against Ching, Rasmussen and Pawlyn.

House extension design study — self-set

2024

Two-storey extension to the family home, drawn and modelled to test its massing against the existing house.

Stadium concept — GCSE Product Design

Derived from the structure of a cricket helmet: layered shell, exposed structural frame and articulated roof, resolved against long-span demands and crowd movement.

EDUCATION

A Levels — Loughborough College

2025 – 2027

Mathematics · Further Mathematics (Further Mechanics) · Physics · Accounting — predicted A/A* across all four

GCSEs — The Cedars Academy, Leicester

2020 – 2025

Ten GCSEs at grades 9–6, including Mathematics, Triple Science, English Language and Literature, Product Design, Geography and Statistics, plus BTEC Digital IT. GCSE Gujarati taken two years early, studied outside school over a four-year course at Belgrave Neighbourhood Centre.

SKILLS

Design: AutoCAD · SketchUp · Twinmotion · Adobe Creative Cloud · hand drawing · scale model making
Technical: measuring from drawings · Excel · HTML, CSS and JavaScript
Commercial: A Level Accounting (budgeting, break-even, variance) · primary research and survey analysis

ACHIEVEMENTS & INTERESTS

Gold Certificate, UKMT Senior Mathematical Challenge · **Bronze** Duke of Edinburgh's Award
Loughborough Town Cricket Club, local league. Play drums and dhol, and DJ at events.