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It is with great pleasure that I have been asked to be involved in the first edition of the Lincoln University Planning Review. To me, the Review encompasses many of the key aspects of what it takes to be a good planner – to communicate well, to inform others of key issues and to learn and grow from considering other people’s perspectives. I would encourage you all to become involved with the Review and use the opportunities that it provides for your future career development, not only through submitting articles but also simply by reading and learning from them.

One of the things I love about planning is that it is a profession where you are continually learning new things and being

challenged. And, if you ever get to the situation where you feel like you know it all, there’s always another area of planning out there where you can start the learning process again. A lot of my own personal growth and learning has come through my involvement with Planning Quarterly over the span of my career to date – firstly as a reader, then as an author, editorial panel member and now as Editor. I look forward to reading this first issue, and future issues, and will be looking for articles for Planning Quarterly that will provide planners nationwide with new perspectives and ideas.

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