

Farm regulatory law

We advise farmers on how to plan ahead to manage the impact of regulatory change on their business. We also help farmers proactively respond to incidents if they arise, to minimise any issues. We have strong relationships with the NFU and other advisory bodies, ensuring we're always 'in the know' on how regulations will affect you.

Resolving contentious issues

We advise landowners and tenants on all aspects of the ownership and use of agricultural property. We resolve landlord and tenant disputes; issues concerning the ownership and use of land, and trespass and nuisance claims. We also advise on restrictive covenants, boundary disputes and negligence claims, resolving matters outside of court wherever possible.

Fisheries and water law

We act for landowners, angling clubs and others on all aspects of fisheries and water law, including protecting your fishing rights, claims concerning trespass, pollution incidents and liability for flooding.

Dealings with agricultural land

Whether you're buying, selling, letting or developing rural land, or just looking to explore the right opportunities to make the best use of it, we can help. We deal with option agreements for development land, creating rights over land, use of land for renewable energy and secured lending against land.



Equine law

We help horse owners and riders to negotiate and enter into the agreements they need for the purchase, livery and day to day use and competition of their horses. We help them to resolve disputes concerning the use and care of horses, claims against veterinary professionals, recovering unpaid debts, and issues arising on the sale and purchase of horses. We can help with claims for injuries and claims under the Animals Act.

The future of farming

Our team is dedicated to supporting farm businesses to adapt to changing times, embracing new technology and understanding the new statutory framework for land use and management as it develops. We can help you prepare your business now for future change and maximise the potential of your land as change unfolds.

Business advice

We advise rural businesses across the country on all aspects of establishing and running their business. We are passionate about helping rural start-ups to succeed and have particular links with the agri-tech sector. Our team stretches
across the country
from Cambridgeshire
into West Wales and
throughout London and
the Thames Valley.

Two of our partners are Fellows of the Agricultural Law Association.

Last year we advised on real estate transactions worth more than

£700m

to our clients.

Firearms law

If you have any issues relating to firearms or shotgun licensing, we can advise and assist you. In particular, if your licence has been revoked or not renewed, by the police, on grounds of public safety, we can lodge an appeal on your behalf in the Crown Court and deal with all procedural matters. Throughout the process we'll provide a realistic view on the likelihood that your case will be successful.

Private client

We help families with succession planning to ensure their family's future is protected. Our wills, trusts and estates lawyers understand the particular issues that arise for farming families.



OUR SPECIALISTS

Trusted expertise and innovation combined



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