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## **Round table meeting**

## - what is it and why should you consider using it?

In a round table meeting, both you and your lawyer, and your partner and their lawyer, meet 'around the table' to discuss your case and the issues that need to be addressed.

These meetings can be arranged in a way which suits your particular circumstances and may also involve other professionals who are working with you.

These types of meetings can be useful in discussing how to move your case forward and discussing financial disclosure. They are useful in progressing negotiations in person rather than in correspondence, agreeing interim arrangements, and even reaching settlement. You have your lawyer with you throughout the meeting, which usually takes place in person - this avoids the misunderstandings which often occur in alternating and protracted correspondence.

Round table meetings can speed up the process of negotiation and therefore reduce the cost of legal fees.

## Key benefits:

- Speeds up negotiation process
- Less confrontational than correspondence being sent back and forth
- Cost-effective
- Often used in conjunction with early neutral evaluation and mediation which bring their own benefits.



Find out more about the different types of Alternative Dispute Resolution

