

## Services for individuals and families

Helping you to plan for the future, deal with the unexpected and prosper through life's ups and downs.

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# WELCOME TO MORRISONS SOLICITORS

Since we opened our doors in Reigate in 1729 a lot has changed in the world, and the way we deliver legal services has changed dramatically.

But in the face of technological advance, legal reform and profound social and economic change, we have worked hard to preserve one aspect of our service beyond all others: trust.

Life can throw up all sorts of unexpected, difficult and exciting challenges, and we all need people around us who we can trust to help us make the right decisions and deal with them in the best way.

For me, trust comes from genuinely understanding what our clients want and what's important to them. Fundamentally, our work is more about people and relationships than it is about technically knowing the law. As lawyers, we are privy to some of the most intimate details of our clients' lives, not just their actions but their hopes and fears, and their dreams. And we use legal provisions to help them resolve issues and protect their interests.

I know that for me personally, and for all my colleagues, the nature and quality of the relationships we form is at the centre of what we enjoy about being lawyers, and at the heart of our ability to get results for our clients.

We're a modern, forward-thinking law firm but the traditional values of integrity and trust continue to drive our firm and define the service we provide. And that, I think, is what makes our firm a little bit different.



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Paul has been the Managing Partner of Morrisons since 2008, and has helped grow the firm to 150 people across 5 locations in Surrey and South West London.

Paul is focused entirely on leading and managing the firm. However, prior to moving into a full time management role, Paul was a dispute resolution lawyer.

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## REAL WORLD LEGAL SOLUTIONS FOR REAL WORLD PEOPLE

**It can seem as if the law is purely about money, technical detail and long, complex documents. But that's not how we see it.**

To us, the law is about people and the things that matter to you – it's intensely personal.

You talk to us when you are worried, vulnerable or exposed; when you are making major decisions or approaching milestones in your life; and when you are threatened by the actions of those around you. So for us, providing legal advice is about understanding your perspective, exploring your concerns and then combining technical expertise with practical thinking to find the right solution for you.

Morrison's is a leading firm of solicitors with offices in Surrey and South West London. Serving a wide range of private individuals and businesses, we've been helping people to negotiate the complexities of modern life and protecting their assets for more than 285 years. Talk to us – you'll find that as well as being expert lawyers, we're also people.

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### Family and relationships

Living  
together

Marriage  
and civil  
partnerships

Divorce and  
relationship  
break downs

Resolving  
disputes



## FAMILY MATTERS

Relationships and families have never been so complicated. Society has moved on from the traditional models and today's families are differently structured, with greater flexibility and new dynamics.

But some things don't change and protecting and taking care of those closest to you remains one of your highest priorities. And when relationships do break down, for whatever reason, finding the right kind of settlement is still the best way of approaching the next stage of life's journey.

With long experience and a practical and sympathetic approach to family and relationship matters, we can help you to prepare for life's ups and downs, make the right decisions, and take care of those around you.

### Morrison's People

Stephanie Calthrop-Owen is Head of Morrison's Family team and is a respected expert in the field of family law. She has lived and worked in and around Reigate and Redhill for many years, though she supports clients across the country.

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### Financial matters

Protecting and  
passing on  
your assets

Retirement  
and wealth  
planning

Writing,  
changing and  
challenging a  
will

Trusts

Inheritance  
tax and capital  
gains tax

Resolving  
disputes



## PROTECTING YOUR WEALTH AND PASSING IT ON

It's human nature to want to make the future a little more comfortable – for yourself in retirement and for those that you one day leave behind. Even small sums passed on can make a life changing difference so you want to ensure that the arrangements you make really do reflect your intentions, and that they are robust. At the same time, you may want to insulate your legacy as far as possible from tax. Again, that's only natural – but you have to make sure that any arrangements you make are legal and effective.

In these times of low interest, sky-high house prices and pension erosion, what you have and what happens to it next deserves careful thought, and sound advice. Morrisons will help you plan for the future so that you can make the most of the present.

### Morrisons People

Holly Chantler is the Head of Morrisons' Private Client team. Holly joined Morrisons as a trainee in 2006, and as well as advising clients on all manner of Private Client work, Holly is a Court of Protection Panel Deputy and a Director of Solicitors for the Elderly.

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Medical, social and employment matters

Accidental injuries and medical mistakes

Losing capacity to manage to your affairs

Vulnerable relatives

Problems at work

Resolving disputes



## DEALING WITH EVERYTHING THAT LIFE THROWS AT YOU

Just when life seems to be going along smoothly, something can happen that turns your world upside down. Whether it's an illness or injury to you or someone close to you, a problem with your job or you unexpectedly find yourself taking on responsibility for a vulnerable relative, the potential challenges to life's equilibrium are extraordinary to you and, at the same time, commonplace.

It's true that life is never easy – but it doesn't have to be impossibly hard. You need someone who will treat your case as unique, but who can also draw on deep experience of similar situations and then apply the expertise and resources to vigorously pursue a solution for you. With specialists in employment, medical and clinical negligence, vulnerable adults and a host of other issues that you may encounter, we can help you to restore a little balance and access the funds and powers to put life back on track.

### Morrisons People

Kathy Fitzgerald is Head of our Personal Injury and Clinical Negligence team. Prior to becoming a Solicitor, Kathy worked as a registered Nurse and Midwife in both the UK and overseas. She has extensive medical knowledge and she is recognised for her sensitive approach with clients.

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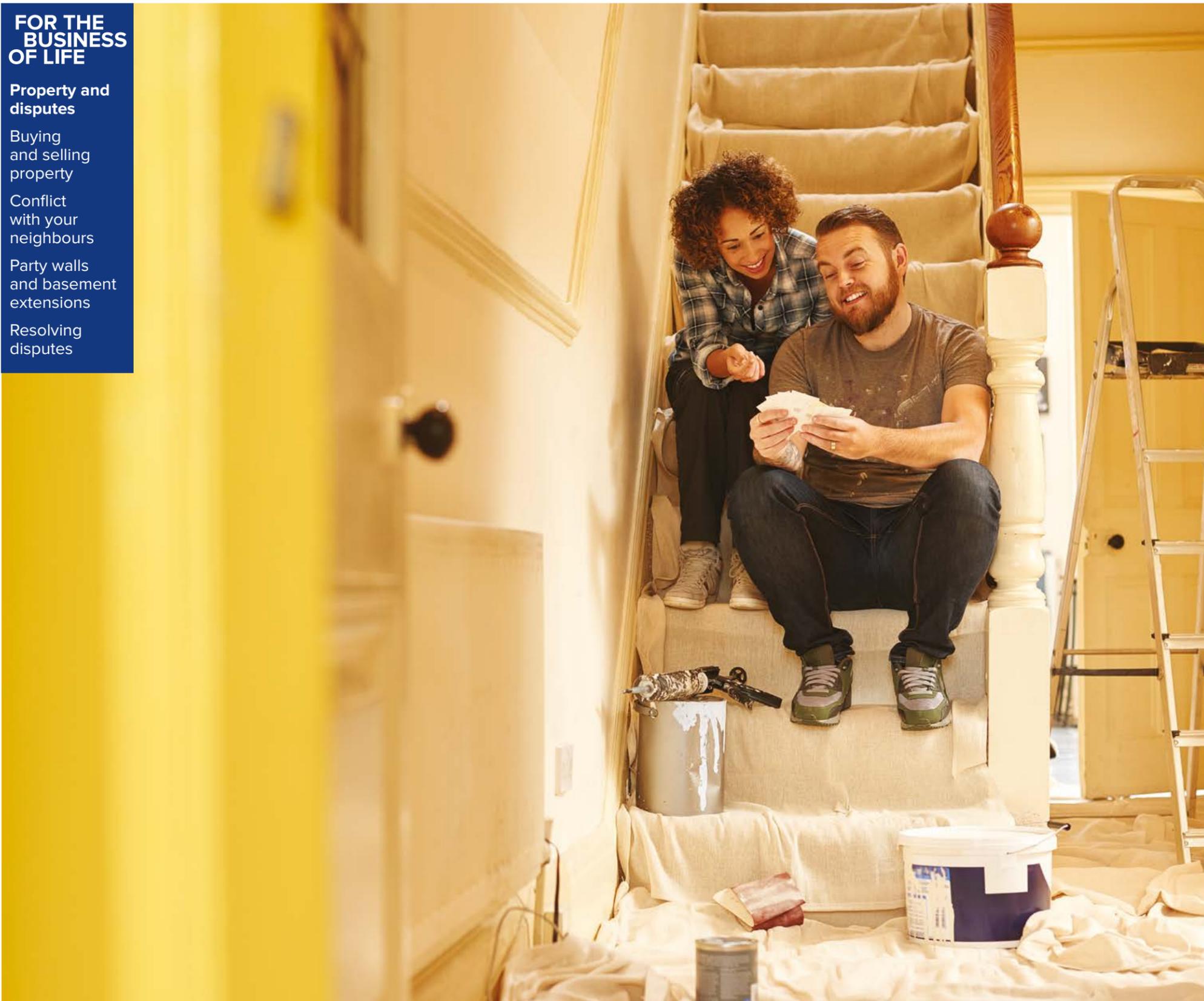
### Property and disputes

Buying  
and selling  
property

Conflict  
with your  
neighbours

Party walls  
and basement  
extensions

Resolving  
disputes



## GRAND DESIGNS AND GOOD NEIGHBOURS

Our homes are the focus of so much of our lives and investment – and so much of the stress we feel. Whether you are buying, selling, building, extending, planning, or reacting to what your neighbours are doing, the right advice at the right time is critical. Across the South East especially, the pressure on space is so intense that building up, out, or down has become a speciality in its own right.

And where stress exists, conflict often follows. These are times where calm advice and clinical expertise can make all the difference. Getting the details right can bring clarity and agreement, or it can strengthen resolve and inform robust and decisive action. At Morrisons, we have the experience and knowledge to head off many of the problems you may encounter, and the skills to press your case forcefully when the situation demands. Property matters to you, and if it's important to you then it matters to us.

### **Morrisons People**

Edward Moseley is Head of Morrisons' Property team, and has been advising clients on a wide range of property topics for over 20 years.

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