



# A GUIDE TO OUR SERVICES

## About the firm

Scott Rowe can trace its history back to 1789. Whilst still a traditional firm, we can also offer specialist skills to meet your needs in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

We provide advice on the law to farmers, families, businesses, individuals and charities. The practice is not confined to the local area: we have clients all over the country and have many expatriate clients too.

Clients come to Scott Rowe in order to obtain a personal, high quality service from a team of accessible individuals to whom they can comfortably relate.

## Our service

In all transactions we aim to provide a fast, efficient, competitive and friendly service.

We believe in giving clear, decisive advice whenever possible, based not only on the legal implications but also on commercial considerations and common sense.

We pride ourselves on our ability to respond effectively to requests for urgent information.

Our intention is to maintain close and friendly contact with our clients so that we can understand and remain sensitive to their individual needs.

## Staff

Staff and Partners alike are encouraged to undertake continuing education and training. This ensures we deliver the most up to date advice to you and we can best meet your needs over a wide range of issues.

In addition, we have an enthusiastic and hard working team of administration and support staff that we consider a vital element in being able to provide a high quality legal service.

The firm has adopted quality systems, and has become Investors in People and Lexcel (Law Society Practice Management Standard) accredited.

The firm has in place a continuing programme of investment in systems and information technology and in the training necessary to make the best use of it.

## Services provided

### Residential conveyancing

We are able to help with buying and selling your house and re-mortgages. We believe in offering a full personal, quality service in all aspects of property transfers.

### Agricultural

We have a large practice in the farming community. We understand the problems farmers' face and offer practical legal advice.

### Commercial

We act for a wide range of clients including companies, large and small, and private individuals.

The work we undertake includes the following areas:

- Commercial Property
- Company and Business acquisitions and sales
- Start ups and partnerships

### Estates & Inheritance

As a traditional firm of family solicitors, we prepare Wills and advise on ways to reduce the Tax payable on your estate. We provide a full service to 'Personal Representatives', (those appointed in a Will to look after a deceased person's affairs), and will act as, or advise, Personal Representatives or Trustees.

## **The Elderly**

As people grow older they have particular needs and requirements. We can help them, and their carers, with:

- Planning for residential care
- Lasting Powers of Attorney
- Advice on welfare benefits
- Incapacity issues
- Court of Protection work

## **Litigation**

We are able to offer effective practical and high quality advice, representation and advocacy in all areas of contentious work.

The work we undertake includes the following areas:

- Matrimonial and Family
- Commercial Litigation
- Licensing
- Personal Injury Claims
- General Disputes

## **Employment**

We are able to advise on all aspects of Employment Law. We offer practical, common-sense advice which balances the commercial realities of running a business with legal requirements.

Some of our areas of expertise include:

- Employment contracts and unfair and wrongful dismissal claims
- Discrimination
- Maternity and paternity rights, sickness absence and stress at work
- Redundancy
- Business transfers and TUPE

## **Santander**

We operate an agency for Santander from our Axminster office. Through this agency we are able to provide:

- Counter services
- Mortgage advice

## **Our fees**

We always discuss our fees first so that you know what something will cost and what you will get for your money.

Our fees are generally calculated by reference to the time spent on your file by our solicitors and legal executives.

Following our initial instructions, a client care letter and terms of business will be sent to you, so that you can fully understand the terms under which we operate.

## **How to contact us**

We welcome enquiries and consultations by telephone, letter and e-mail, or why not call in to one of our offices and ask for further information.



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