



## providing the legal help you need!

Everyone will need legal help at some stage!

It may be help on a personal level, with a matter affecting you or your family. This could be such things as selling your home or making a will.

Alternatively, it may be help with a matter affecting your business or business dealings. This could be such things as starting a business, buying or selling a property, making someone redundant or succession planning.

At Latimer Hinks we have specialist teams of experienced legal professionals who will provide the legal help and assistance you may need, covering:

- **you and your family**
- **business and commercial**
- **farmers, landowners and landed estates**

Our team possesses high levels of expertise - levels normally associated with city-based law firms. You will find us approachable, knowledgeable and supportive. Our objective is to deal with matters quickly and efficiently and to provide clear, concise and practical advice.

### memberships:

#### society of trust & estate practitioners (STEP)

**Anne Elliott, Andrew Way & Elizabeth Armstrong** are members (TEP). **Natalie Palmer, Gillian Ibbotson & Nadine Sweeney** are student members of STEP. [www.step.org](http://www.step.org)

#### solicitors for the elderly

**Anne Elliott, Andrew Way, Natalie Palmer, Helen Thomas, Gillian Ibbotson & Nadine Sweeney** are all members. [www.solicitorsfortheelderly.com](http://www.solicitorsfortheelderly.com)

#### country land & business association

**Neil Stevenson** is a member. [www.cla.org.uk](http://www.cla.org.uk)

#### agricultural law association

**Anne Elliott & Neil Stevenson** are members. [www.ala.org.uk](http://www.ala.org.uk)

### comments from the Legal 500

- the "Who's Who" of the Law

#### personal tax, trusts and probate

Anne recently assisted on the administration of an estate worth £3.9M involving complex family matters and farming, business & IHT issues

#### corporate & commercial

Latimer Hinks advised on the sale of a number of architectural practices based in the region and also the South West

#### commercial litigation - dispute resolution

Latimer Hinks has a debt recovery and bankruptcy specialist in Mark Gardner.

#### real estate

The commercial property team "advised a local business on the acquisition of new industrial and office premises at Newton Aycliffe."

#### agriculture & estates

Latimer Hinks' "evident commitment to the farming community" has significantly enhanced its reputation for agricultural work. Anne "combines a clear grasp of the issues, passionate commitment and an ability to communicate in clear, everyday language. Tim Haggie is also recommended for agricultural property development

### comments from Chambers UK

- an annual publication ranking solicitors and barristers

This Darlington team advises on a range of agricultural matters, including sales and purchases, agricultural holdings, and succession planning. More recently it has advised on an increasing number of wind farm developments. The team has a loyal client base who praise the firm for having "a fantastic appreciation of the common concerns held by farmers and landowners."

**CLIENT SERVICE:** "The team provides a very personal service; it is always accessible and very approachable."

**KEY INDIVIDUALS:** Anne Elliott is "extremely thorough and very knowledgeable," according to sources. She is commended for her advice on succession planning.