

Specialist legal advice & solutions, for whatever life brings - at home or at work



## PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS ADVICE

Battens' specialist Planning team has a wealth of experience and is a well regarded team recommended by the Legal 500.

David Stephens is a founder member of the Law Society's specialist Planning Panel and Legal Associate of the Royal Town Planning Institute. Ceri Stephens, who is also a member of the Law Society's Planning Panel and Legal Associate of the RTPI, heads the Property Dispute Resolution team. As well as being able to advise generally on all aspects of planning law Ceri has a particular strength where there are both property and planning issues to resolve.

We can assist you with advice on legal issues arising on planning applications and also help you successfully progress a planning application through the system. Where there are breaches of planning control we can help defend against enforcement action and we can advise on how to regularise breaches. We regularly advise agricultural occupancy conditions and on applications for planning permission for agricultural worker's dwellings.

We can also draft and negotiate Section 106 Obligations, from simple non-fragmentation agreements to complex obligations for large, mixed use developments.

### Planning and Enforcement Appeals

The team regularly represents clients at Hearings and undertakes advocacy at Planning and Enforcement Appeals. We are also experienced in dealing with High Court Challenges and Judicial Reviews and Planning matters in the Magistrates' Court.

### From Highways to Village Greens

We advise on all issues relating to highways, rights of way, Town and Village Greens and Assets of Community Value. We can advise landowners on the steps they can take to prevent a right of way or village green being established, or applicants seeking to establish such rights.

### Services to Local Authorities

David began his career with District Councils and is well aware of the particular issues and resource constraints facing Local Authorities. Ceri has also acted extensively for Local Authorities in Planning Matters. We can provide a range of legal advice and services, including advice on specific issues, s106 Agreements, legal drafting, advocacy at inquiries and compulsory purchase.



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