

# **Derby Property Lawyers Association**

Minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2010 at 5.15pm, The Duke of Clarence,  
Mansfield Road, Derby.

## **PRESENT**

Chris Mills  
John Rourke  
Natalie Hearne  
Mike Sayer  
Liz Knott  
Linda McCauley  
Joanne Jones  
David Morton

### **1 Chairman's Report**

The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted. David welcomed Linda to the committee. **DM**

### **2 Treasurers Report**

The treasurer reported that the balance of the current account stands at £644.38. There are bills to the value of £260 to go out of the account. This to cover the bill for The Spot and the administrators costs. **LK**

### **3 Secretary's Report**

Chris informed the committee that he had contacted Annette Goss, former Chief Land Registrar, in respect of a presentation on Registered Land Boundaries. She was available for 3 dates, although Chris could not attend any of these dates. Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May was proposed, but this was not a good date for the committee members. She was also willing to come along from the middle to end of June on a Monday or Tuesday night and was happy to present from 5.30 through till 7pm. Chris informed the committee that Annette had asked about fees, as she is unemployed at the moment. Chris suggested that an email is sent out to the members to promote the presentation. Chris felt that fees of £25 for members and £30 for non-members were reasonable and the committee agreed. If the conclusion was that the fee was out of proportion then we might have to back track the idea. It was noted that the Nottingham Law Society currently charges £35 +VAT for an hours CPD. In respect of the fees that Annette requests, it was decided that if this was up to £100 then this was ok, anything above this and Chris would put it to the committee. **CM**

Chris also said that Annette might be willing to do future presentations, or possibly research a subject for us. This may cost a bit more to get Annette to prepare, but this could be very useful.

### **4 Matters Arising**

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Chris has not seen the person in question to ask him about this.  
Carry Forward

## TREASURY SOLICITOR

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Chris is to try and contact them to invite them to carry out a future presentation.  
Carry Forward

## PSG

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David has had no follow up tom PSG about a future presentation. David will speak to them again.  
Carry Forward

## 3 HOUR AFTERNOON CPD PRESENTATIONS

As Linda was now present on the committee, this matter was discussed further.

It was decided that 3 hour CPD presentations would involve a lot of effort, especially in covering one topic for such a period of time. It was felt that if there was a “hot topic”, then it might be easier to do.

It was also felt that the cost could be too high and that we may not get the people committed to go. Therefore resulting in a financial loss for the association. It was also felt that if any appropriate topic arose then we would look at putting together a lengthier presentation for our members.

It was also discussed who we could get to do such presentations if they arose and the committee asked Chris to see if he could contact Kerrie Deakin who had previously presented for us. He said he would contact her and report back. Chris said that he could always approach Annette Goss, who was the previous Land Registrar at the Land Registry Nottingham East Office. She is happy to present for the association, but at a fee. It was decided to carry this forward for further discussion.

## PLANNING PERMISSION/BUILDINGS REGS PRESENTATION

John had spoken to the enforcement solicitor who was not keen on doing a presentation for the committee. John informed the committee that he is not the best communicator. He is still waiting to hear from another person.

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To be carried forward

## 5 FUTURE PROGRAMMES

### Landlord & Tenant for Domestic Property Lawyers

Carry Forward

### Property Related Litigation

Carry Forward

### Leasehold

Carry forward

## 6 Any other business

- 6.1 LAND REGISTRY ISSUES - Chris spoke about the issues that are currently cropping up in respect of solicitors and Land Registry. Charging orders seem to be an issue at the moment and that they are not sufficient to protect the interest. A section 90 Order is also required. He thought that maybe this would be an idea for a future presentation, or maybe to send out a round robin to our members. He also informed the committee that hopefully a practice

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guide would be published to explain. Chris told the committee that he would think about putting together a communication.

## 6.2

Ideas for future presentations were discussed and the committee thought that some of these could include “Disapplying of Restrictions”. The committee thought that in the current climate a presentation on Repossessions might be worthwhile as there appears to be some confusion between discharges being required and lenders sending in discharge papers to the Land Registry that are not required.

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Joanne informed the committee that Severn Trent does a free 1-hour CPD where they come to the firm and there are no minimum numbers for these presentations. Joanne suggested that it might be worth contacting them to see if they wanted to do a presentation through us, as this may be financially viable for Severn Trent. David said he would speak to Mark Jarvis to see if this was viable and to see if they would cover the cost of the room hire. It was also noted that members might not be interested as it may be the same as has done before.

It was suggested that maybe it could be linked to another presentation from ACOSS so that people get 2 credits against their CPD. If Severn Trent were to pay for the room hire then the association would profit from the members paying for the second part of the presentation.

## 6.3

In light of The Spa closing, the committee decided that The Duke of Clarence was an appropriate new venue for future committee meetings.

## 7 **Date and time of next meeting**

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June, 5.00pm at The Spot, Derby. Registered Land Boundaries presentation to follow at 5.30.