

Agriculture

A summary of our services



Our agricultural team is a leader in the field

Roythornes is one of the top agricultural law practices in the country. We ‘get’ farming and understand the pressures our clients have to contend with. We provide practical and targeted advice and stay more than a few steps ahead of the game when it comes to wide-ranging policy and legislative changes.

With offices across the Midlands and East Anglia, we advise a wide range of clients. From those with a few hundred acres and small business operations to some of the largest farmers, diversified businesses and estates in the UK.

We are recognised in leading industry publications as the number one firm for agricultural advice. Our dedicated team has an unrivalled level of technical knowledge and understanding.

But what makes us stand out as agricultural experts is that we are up to speed on emerging policy developments (such as biodiversity net gain and nutrient neutrality) and specialist areas such as share farming, farming co-operatives

and supply chain models in the intensive pig and poultry sectors. In particular, British agriculture post-Brexit will need a level of landscape-scale and farmer co-operation to maximise both public and private natural capital opportunities and we are working with clients and other organisations to develop models for the future.

Often agricultural businesses are family businesses, with all the challenges and opportunities that come up when personal issues are closely linked to business decisions. We spend a great deal of our time ensuring that family farming businesses are established and maintained in the most tax efficient manner and that medium and long term planning takes place to protect the farm and those who depend on it.

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If there is one thing which sets Roythornes apart from other lawyers it is the collective knowledge of our teams, and their ability to call on each other for specialist advice.



HOW WE CAN HELP YOU:

- Post-Brexit agricultural and environmental schemes
- Tax, trusts and succession planning for families and estates
- Wills and probate
- Farming partnerships
- Pre-nuptial agreements and farming divorces
- Employment, foreign and 'gang' labour, TUPE
- Farmer co-operatives and producer organisations
- Contract and share farming
- Joint ventures, mergers, de-mergers and farm business structures
- Nutrient and water neutrality, biodiversity net gain agreements
- Planning, diversification and development
- Sustainable energy projects (solar, battery storage, AD, wind)
- Agricultural Holdings Act successions and tribunal applications
- Farm business tenancies
- Water (abstraction permitting and flood defences)
- Common land
- Land sales and purchases
- Sustainable energy projects (solar, battery storage, AD, wind)
- Prosecutions by Trading Standards, the HSE, the Environment Agency and the FSA
- Environmental and food law

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