

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

WHAT WE DO

Shoosmiths LLP's national planning team advises clients in the private and public sector on all aspects of planning, highways and compulsory purchase law.

The team has worked on some of the UK's most complex and challenging urban regeneration schemes, along with mixed use, residential, retail and PRS developments. With a national network of offices in London and other major UK cities, we are close to clients and their sites. Our understanding of current and future planning trends makes our advice always focused, clear and commercial. The team is ranked as one of the leading UK firms in the Planning Law Survey 2016.



"They are professional, accessible, very amenable, and they provide excellent advice. I wouldn't hesitate to recommend them."

Planning, Chambers 2017

RECENT DEALS

We have advised:

Peel Holdings on a range of development sites in the North West, including acting on a High Court challenge to the Secretary of State's refusal of planning permission for 600 new houses at Broadoak in Salford.

The Defence Infrastructure Organisation on the planning advice to deliver Service Family Accommodation in Wiltshire and Yorkshire to enable the Army Rebasing Programme.

Historic England (previously English Heritage) on a number of projects including Stonehenge, London Bridge Station and Ordsall Chord.

Grainger PLC on all legal planning aspects of the Aldershot Urban Extension, a joint venture by the client with the MOD to redevelop the former 'home of the Army' to provide 3,850 new homes, commercial, retail and community facilities.

IM Properties PLC on the proposed development at Blythe Valley Park in Solihull, part of which is in the Green Belt. The application site comprises residential units, 98,850sqm of storage/warehousing and office use, a care facility, 2,500sqm of ancillary town centre uses and leisure and community uses.

Galliford Try on the planning aspects of ten strategic land acquisitions comprising several hundred hectares of land, including an old WW2 Prisoner of War camp, an ex MOD site, a quarry and other strategic brown and greenfield sites.

The Great Haddon Consortium (Barratt Homes PLC & O&H Holdings & others) on a strategic urban extension of up to 5,500 residential units on land near Peterborough.

London Borough of Hackney on two compulsory purchase orders needed to acquire and demolish 5 tower blocks to deliver new market and affordable housing.



WHY SHOOSMITHS?

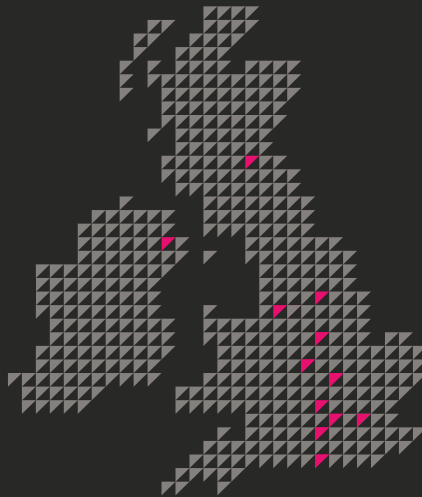
Our lawyers tailor their approach to each client, delivering high quality advice backed by cost transparency, business sense and clear reporting.

With more than 230 real estate legal advisers nationally, we have the strength and depth to handle complex and substantial instructions, and yet are not too big a law firm to have lost the personal touch.

You can expect single-point accountability from a client partner that you like and trust because improving client satisfaction is part of Shoosmiths' business strategy. Your work is managed efficiently and you will receive precisely the right expertise and experience for your needs.

KEY FACTS

- 169 partners and 738 legal advisers
- Turnover of more than £107m to end April 2016
- Ranked 13th in the UK by real estate revenue (The Lawyer's Top 100 2016)
- First top 100 law firm to be recredited with "Gold Standard" Investors in People award
- UK Law Firm of the Year 2015 – The British Legal Awards
- Ranked 11th in the prestigious Planning Law Survey 2017, published by a leading industry journal
- Real Estate Legal Team of the Year 2016 – Estates Gazette Awards finalist
- Accredited for Outstanding Innovation – Best Legal Adviser Report 2015



INTERNATIONAL

Clients seeking to extend their portfolio overseas can do so through Shoosmiths' membership of the World Services Group, an international network of law firms spanning 115 countries.



WHAT OUR CLIENTS SAY



"Shoosmiths LLP is highly regarded for its 'technical knowledge' and for its public sector expertise."

Legal 500 2016



"They are an embedded part of the team rather than a resource we call on, and that comes through in the consistency of the relationship, the attention to detail, obviously their ability, and the joined-up approach."

Planning, Chambers 2017



"You really feel as if you're their first priority; you feel like you're their favourite client."

Commercial property, Chambers 2017



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