

CORNWALL LAW SOCIETY

MIDWEEK UPDATE – 9 June 2023



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The Annual Awards' Dinner on Friday 16th June 2023 in Truro Cathedral Black Tie

Welcome Drinks from 6pm

Details of the Awards, their sponsors and finalists are below, and on the Events page of the website.

We are very pleased to announce that our main sponsors for the year are also supporting this Awards Dinner.



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Cornwall Law Society Awards

The finalists have been attending the Cornwall Channel / Corker Media studios to record their video testimonies and we are on the countdown!

The Winners will be announced at the Awards Dinner on Friday 16th June 2023 by none other than the Dark Destroyer otherwise known as Shaun Wallace – the chaser



from the TV quiz show the Chase with the sponsor presenting the award.
We are getting excited.

And in case you missed it - finalists are listed below (in alphabetical order within each category.)

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Good Luck to everyone!



We are delighted to provide the below details of a pre-dinner seminar to be hosted by New Square Chambers who are also sponsoring one of the drinks receptions.

As stated, the seminar is on litigation tips, covering witness statements, disclosure and privilege to name but a few, (see below for more), and will be presented by Alex Learmonth KC, Amy Berry and Will Hopkin.

You can register through the link on the invite.

Even if you are not coming to the dinner, you are more than welcome to attend.

New Square Chambers invites you to attend a pre-dinner seminar

We are looking forward to meeting you at the Cornwall Law Society Awards Dinner on 16 June, at which New Square Chambers are proud to be the drinks reception sponsors.

Since you are going to be in Truro for the dinner, why not make the most of your day, and get some free, late-afternoon guidance from our leading barristers?

We will be offering some top tips on civil litigation, including updates and ideas on disclosure, witnesses, adverse inferences, privilege, confidentiality, waiver, bundles, multiple parties, and costs.

The session will start at **2pm and finish by 3.30pm** to give you time to change for dinner, and will take place at **Coodes Solicitors, Elizabeth House, Castle Street, Truro, TR1 3AP**.

Spaces are limited so sign up soon to hear Alex Learmonth KC, Amy Berry and Will Hopkin's pearls of litigation wisdom!

[Register here](#)



Happy Pride Month!



The Law Society of England and Wales are going to be marching with the Bar Council at #LondonPride on 1 July 2023. They are also going to be at Pride events in Wales and Manchester.

The Law Society President Lubna Shuja said in an article #LegalPride 2023 <https://www.lawsociety.org.uk/contact-or-visit-us/press-office/press-releases/legalpride2023-solicitors-in-the-spotlight>

That: “The solicitor profession has made progress on LGBTQ+ equality in recent decades.

“Like all solicitors, LGBTQ+ solicitors play an important role in upholding the rule of law, helping shape the justice system and fighting for their clients’ rights.

“But there is still work to be done.

“We know that solicitors entering the profession may need to make decisions about whether to come out or identify as trans or non-binary in the workplace and with clients.

“We continue to support our LGBTQ+ members and advocate for inclusive workplaces where our LGBTQ+ colleagues are able to be their authentic selves at work.”

Cornwall Law Society supports the LGBTQ here in Cornwall. Please get in touch with any ideas or initiatives that we can take to support you.

Courses

20th June 2023 – Commercial Property Update 2023 by Hannah McKinlay at the St Austell Conference Centre



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Booking form has been circulated. In you need a copy, let me know, or you can book through **Eventbrite**.

Contact jan.long@cornwalllawsociety.org.uk for further information, or to book your place. **Deadline for bookings has been extended to 9am, 7th June 2023.**

13th September 2023 – Private Client Update 2023 by Lesley King, Alverton Hotel. To be followed by a networking event with The Law Society's Sarah Moore, Private Client Section.

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The seminar will run from 10am to 3pm, with registration at 9.30am. Sarah Moore will then briefly address the delegates. After a rest break, the networking event with drinks and canapes will commence at 3.30pm in the Courtyard Lounge.

20th September 2023, 1pm – 5pm – St John's Chambers' Property Roadshow will be returning to Truro at the Innovation Centre, Treliske, Truro TR1 3FF.

19th October 2023 – Residential Property Update 2023 by Davide Keighley, St Austell Conference Centre

Sponsored by X-Press Legal Services. (Booking form to follow in due course.)

Save the Date

The next Managing Partners' & Equivalents' Lunch will be:

Wednesday 23rd August 2023

at The Pig @ Harlyn Bay.

It will be slightly different this time with diners choosing from the menu on arrival.

To book your place please email jan.longa@cornwalllawsociety.org.uk

The Law Society News

Get involved – stand for election to Council

Nominations are open to stand for election to our Council. This is an opportunity to get directly involved in setting the strategic direction and priorities of your professional body.

Every summer, a number of seats on our Council come up for election. Council has 97 seats, each filled by a solicitor representing a constituency relating to a geographic area, work practice or characteristic. These representatives ensure the views of solicitors in their constituency are heard as we set our position on key issues affecting the profession and develop a high-quality and relevant member offer.

Our vision is to promote, protect and support solicitors, the rule of law and justice in England and Wales. Council members play an important role in helping us achieving this.

If you feel passionate about ensuring the voices of solicitors like you are heard, then nominate yourself to stand for election by 29 June.

<https://www.lawsociety.org.uk/topics/news-articles/preliminary-notice-of-council-elections-2023>

There's still time to support Guy!

Desert Marathon Fundraiser. Click [here](#) to support.

OK - Cornwall is not a desert in geographical terms. But it is recognised as an advice desert when it comes to free or affordable social welfare legal support. And yes, I admit I will be walking and not running, but it is just over 26 miles from Penzance to Falmouth and I have had two hip replacements.

On Friday, 26 and Saturday, 27 May, Guy Beringer CBE walked from Penzance to Falmouth to raise money for the **Dracaena Centre**, an innovative community hub in Falmouth where he is a Trustee.

The funds raised will go towards sustaining and growing the Dracaena Centre legal advice project, particularly towards completing the funding for Cornwall's first graduate solicitor apprentice in social welfare law. The apprenticeship will be based at the Dracaena Centre and will be remotely overseen from London in a ground-breaking arrangement.

The legal advice project has now been running for over five years and, in that time, has assisted over 900 clients free of charge covering family, debt, benefits, housing and other related social welfare issues. It has done this through a small team in Falmouth and its remote back-up team at University House Legal Advice Centre, London.

With an initial target of "at least £10,000", the Just Giving page shows a total raised so far of **£15,891!** And donations are still being taken.

Well done, Guy!



JOB VACANCIES

Paddle & Cocks, Truro – Commercial Property Senior Associate (employed position with flexible working)

Cornwall Council, Truro – Senior Lawyer – Planning & Highways (flexible working available)

Coodes, Truro – Private Client Solicitor, Full time (Part time and/or other locations will be considered)

Coodes, Truro/St Austell/Falmouth – Family Solicitor Full time (Part time and/or other locations will be considered)

Coodes, Holsworthy – Commercial Property Solicitor, Full time (Part time and/or other locations will be considered)

Coodes, Mid-West Cornwall – Commercial Property Solicitor, Full time (Part time and/or other locations will be considered)

Coodes, Cornwall – Dispute Resolution Solicitor, Full time (Part time and/or other locations will be considered)

C Nicholls Solicitors, Bodmin – Private Family Lawyer and Duty Solicitor for Partnership

Neil Gilbert Solicitors, Helston – Probate Practitioner

Penderlaw, Truro – Various positions available, please visit their website for more details.

Walters & Barbary – Family Solicitor/Legal Executive

Parnalls, Launceston – Experienced Residential Property lawyer

CVC Solicitors, Penzance – Commercial Lawyers

Parnalls, Launceston - Experience Commercial & Residential Property lawyer

Randle Thomas, Helston – Residential Conveyancer

Randle Thomas, Helston – General Commercial lawyer

Hine Downing, Falmouth – Experienced Commercial Property Solicitor / CILEx

Merricks, Wadebridge – Commercial Property Solicitor

Merricks, Wadebridge – Full-time Residential Conveyancer

Paddle & Cocks, Truro, across county and nationally, offering flexible working – Recruiting across several sectors, Employment, Corporate, Commercial, Commercial Property, Commercial Disputes (more details on their website)

Locums are always welcome to register with CLS. It will come as no surprise to you that there is a shortage of locums. If you know of anyone working in this way, please have them get in touch with me. Thank you.

If you want to advertise on the Recruitment page of the new website you can send me more details of the vacancy, the firm, and your logo to make a bigger impact.

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