

We're here to keep you updated with the latest legal insights, firm news, and helpful guidance from each of our departments. In this edition, we're sharing expert advice on updating contact arrangements for separated families, purchasing a second home, and Lasting Power of Attorney.

If you or someone you know needs legal advice, our friendly team is always here to help - just get in touch with us at our Rustington or Littlehampton offices.



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WELCOME TO KATIE FOAN!

We are very pleased to welcome Katie Foan to the EJ Moyle LLP team.

Katie joins our Private Client Department as a Senior Associate Solicitor, bringing with her extensive experience in Wills, LPA's, Elderly Client services, and Estate Administration. She has a strong track record of guiding individuals and families through important life decisions with professionalism and care.

Katie has two young children whom she devotes most of her time to, loves country walks, spending time with family and friends, and sunny holidays.

We look forward to the expertise and insight Katie will bring to both our clients and our team.





PLANNING FOR YOUR PARENTS' FUTURE - WHY IT MATTERS NOW



We know these conversations aren't easy. Talking about what happens if your parents can't make decisions for themselves feels uncomfortable, but planning ahead is one of the kindest things you can do for them and for your family.

Why Start Sooner Rather Than Later?

Mental capacity isn't just about age. It's about understanding, weighing up choices, and communicating decisions. Illness, accidents, or even medication can change this overnight. Without plans in place, families often face delays, extra costs, and unnecessary stress.

Your Options

• Lasting Powers of Attorney (LPAs)
These are set up while your parents are
well, allowing them to choose who they
trust to make decisions if needed. LPAs
are straightforward, cost-effective, and give
peace of mind.

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If capacity is lost without an LPA, you'll need to apply to the Court of Protection. This process is slower, more expensive, and gives less flexibility.

What Happens If You Wait?

Banks can freeze accounts, bills go unpaid, and care decisions may fall to local authorities. Court applications can take months, often during a crisis.

How to Begin

Frame it as life planning, not loss of independence. Share your own plans first, then ask about theirs. Talk about who they trust and what matters most to them.

PLANNING AHEAD DOESN'T TAKE AWAY INDEPENDENCE, IT PROTECTS IT.

If you'd like friendly advice or help setting up LPAs, pop in and see us or give us a call.

We've been helping local families for generations, and we're here to make this as simple and stress-free as possible.

Sophie Careless-Shore



As the year draws to a close, EJ Moyle LLP would like to take this opportunity to thank our clients and the local community for their continued trust and support. It has been a pleasure to assist so many individuals and families across West Sussex with their legal matters throughout 2025.

We pride ourselves on offering clear, practical advice delivered with a friendly and approachable service - values that remain at the heart of everything we do.

This year has also seen some exciting developments within the firm. We were delighted to welcome Katie Foan to our Private Client department, Sarah Priestley to our wider team, and to see Bart Hunter progress to the role of trainee solicitor.

Their expertise and enthusiasm further strengthen our commitment to providing the highest level of service to our clients.

Looking ahead, 2026 promises to be another exciting year, with office refurbishments and new projects planned, so do keep an eye out for updates.

Our offices will close for Christmas at 12pm on 23 December and reopen on Friday 2 January.

From all of us at EJ Moyle LLP, we wish you a very merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year.



START 2026 WITH YOUR LEGAL AFFAIRS IN ORDER

The beginning of a new year is a natural time to take stock, and as we enter 2026, we tend to focus on health, finances, and plans like holidays, but it's just as important to consider whether your legal affairs are still fit for purpose.

At EJ Moyle LLP, we regularly see how a few timely updates can prevent unnecessary stress later.

Have you experienced a major life change in the past year, such as a new home, a marriage, a separation, or a new baby? If so, it could be sensible to review your Will or Lasting Power of Attorney to make sure that these documents reflect your current wishes. It will also provide long-term clarity and reassurance for both you and your family.

The start of the year is also a good time to progress any property matters. Whether you're buying or selling, renewing a lease or preparing for a transaction, our specialist property team can guide you through the process with confidence.

If you'd like professional and friendly advice in any of these areas, our team is ready to help.

