

#### FURTHER CORONAVIRUS UPDATE-OUT OF OFFICE VISITS

Our operating arrangements have changed. We believe that following the government's advice on good hand and general hygiene and social distancing means we will not be able for the moment to offer clients visits at home or other venues eg care homes. If you consider a matter to be urgent then we would suggest instructing another solicitor who may still be in a position to attend out of office appointments. Details of other solicitors may be found on the Law Society website under the Find a Solicitor section. [www.lawsociety.org.uk](http://www.lawsociety.org.uk)

#### FURTHER CORONAVIRUS UPDATE- OFFICE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

While there is public health guidance in effect our requirements to maintain an office open to the public under our Legal Aid Agency contract has been suspended.

#### FURTHER CORONAVIRUS GUIDANCE- CONVEYANCING

A government spokesman said on 25th March 2020;

"Home buyers and renters should as far as possible delay moving to a new home while emergency measures are in place to fight coronavirus"

Clearly in transactions where contracts have not been exchanged then, and in particular where there is a chain and one or more parties are reliant on mortgage finance, it may be prudent to delay exchanging contracts to buy or sell until government guidance gives greater clarity and certainty.

In accordance with Law Society guidance if a client is involved in a transaction where contracts have already been exchanged we will set out the options for our clients and the likely consequences for each option and establish if our client wishes to proceed and if they do how they would want us to do this on their behalf