

Conveyancing Team and Individual Details

Whilst we appreciate that buying a house is a stressful but yet exciting time, we believe that our individual approach to each client's specific needs helps to overcome any difficulties that may be encountered and we aim for the process to be as smooth and simple as possible. Our team has over 130 years of collective experience in delivering high quality work in all matters relating to conveyancing

We have six members of the team who may work on your matter. Each has a proven track record of acting on behalf of people purchasing and selling, part exchanging or re-mortgaging flats and houses. We are highly experienced in the processes involved. Regardless of who works on your matter, they will be supervised by Duncan Gadsby, Partner and Head of Residential Conveyancing

We believe that Communication between all parties is key to a residential transaction proceeding smoothly. We try to keep both client, agent and solicitors advised of the current position. This ensures that tight exchange deadlines can always be met when parties need to proceed quickly.

Duncan Gadsby LLB - Partner

Duncan is the head of our team and has over 25 years' experience in conveyancing work, specialising in residential and commercial property. Duncan has been working in this area since he qualified in 1993 and has helped thousands of families and individuals with all aspects of their personal and business property matters.

Duncan qualified as a solicitor in 1993 after gaining a degree in Law from the University of East Anglia. He undertook and completed his training contract at Foskett Marr and has worked here ever since

Tara O'Donnell FCILEx - Partner

Tara started working at Foskett Marr in 2002 in an administrative role. She obtained her qualifications through distance learning whilst working in the Conveyancing Department. She qualified as a Legal Executive in June 2007 and became a Fellow in 2009. Tara was made a Partner in 2016 and deals primarily with residential sales, purchases, leases and mortgages. She also acts for a number

of property developers and has great experience dealing with new build property and the Help to Buy Scheme. Approximately 80% of Tara's case-load is based on referrals from previous clients and she relishes welcoming back previous clients, and their family and friends.

Sara Barnett LLB - Senior Associate Solicitor

Sara has over 20 years' experience in Conveyancing and has worked at Foskett Marr during that entire period, after she undertook and completed her training contract here.

Sara attended the University of Leicester where she gained her law degree and qualified as a solicitor in 1998.

Sara deals primarily with residential sales, purchases and mortgages both freehold and leasehold. Sara has a great deal of experience when it comes to acting for developers on new-build and converted property sale transactions as well as dealing with complex property transactions.

Most of Sara's work comes from recommendations and previous clients and she has built up a large client base over time but she is always happy to take on new clients.

Dorothy Purday FCILEx - Senior Associate Chartered Legal Executive

Dorothy has been working in residential conveyancing for some 30 years and qualified as a Legal Executive in 2000.

Dorothy joined Foskett Marr in 2014 and deals with residential house and flat purchase and sales and also acting for purchasers buying newly constructed houses and flats from developers.

Dorothy is recommended by many well-known developers, and prides herself on her quality of service and her commitment to her clients, and she makes herself available for enquiries outside the normal office hours.

Dorothy's experience includes new build purchases, sales and purchases of leasehold and freehold titles, re-mortgages, equity release schemes and transfers of equity

Andrea Reilly - Associate Licensed Conveyancer

Andrea joined Foskett Marr as a legal secretary in 2001, and then spent three years at college, with extensive practical training, to qualify as a Licensed Conveyancer in 2009.

Andrea deal with all aspects of property law including purchases, sales, lease extensions and re-mortgages of freehold and leasehold property.

Andrea also specialises in Leasehold Enfranchisement and statutory lease extensions, collective enfranchisement (where a number of tenants wish to buy the freehold), right to manage (tenants take management of a building without buying the freehold) and tenant's right of first refusal to buy the freehold of a building.

Bob Sharp - Senior Conveyancing Executive

Bob joined Foskett Marr in 1998 and has over forty years local conveyancing experience. Bob deals with all aspects of residential conveyancing including freehold and leasehold sales and purchases, re-mortgages and transfers of equity. The majority of his case-load is made up of returning clients and referrals from their family and friends. He aims to keep his clients up to date throughout the transaction and to provide a friendly and efficient service.

Ellen Hayward-Dunn - Trainee Legal Executive

Ellen joined the conveyancing department at Foskett Marr in April 2015 and since then has assisted Sara Barnett whilst learning the conveyancing process. Ellen is currently in her 3rd year studying with The Chartered Institute of Legal Executives (CILEx) with a view to qualifying as, and pursuing a career as, a Legal Executive. Her studies have enabled Ellen to take on more responsibility as she progresses and she is now Sara's assistant and supports her large client base in residential sales and purchases.

Grace Brown - Trainee Licenced Conveyancer

Grace joined Foskett Marr in 2014, initially working as a secretary for Bob Sharp. She has quickly gained experience in residential conveyancing and now assists Bob with his day to day caseload. Grace is currently studying for her Level 4 Diploma in Conveyancing Law & Practice (with a view to progressing onto Level 6) and is

looking to establish her own caseload and pursue a career first as a Conveyancing Technician and then as a Licenced Conveyancer.