



## special feature

**For the first time ever, the most influential people in the residential leasehold property sector are identified. The list contains a mix of leasehold campaigners, Parliamentarians, trade and professional bodies, managing agents, building owners, investors, developers, valuers, and lawyers amongst others.**



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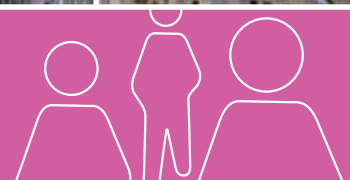


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**Entries have been gathered subjectively according to our knowledge and experience of the industry and are arranged in alphabetical order by name.**

## **James Agar** **Investment Director** **Braemar Estates**

James co-ordinates fund management, property acquisition and financial relationship management, with lead responsibility for Ground Rents Income Fund plc, the first UK ground rents REIT. He heads the company's business development activities and manages its large scale corporate and institutional client base, which have seen the business grow to manage over £1 billion of property assets.



## **Michelle Banks** **Chief Executive ARMA**

Just over a year into her new role as Chief Executive of the Association of Residential Managing Agents (ARMA), Michelle Banks has prioritised the implementation of ARMA-Q as a self-regulatory regime as a key goal. Michelle leads an organisation whose members manage over 900,000 flats in more than 34,000 buildings nationwide.

## **Justin Bates** **Barrister** **Arden Chambers**



Justin practises in all areas of housing, landlord and tenant and property law and regularly writes on leasehold law.. He was previously nominated for the Bar Pro Bono award. Provided advice and assistance to Labour during the passage of the Localism Act 2011 and assisted with their Housing Policy review.

## **Tony Beaumont** **Director** **William Pears Group**



Tony is responsible for managing their residential portfolio. His considerable expertise and experience in the valuation and analysis of complex ground rent portfolios is key in influencing their policy on acquisitions and disposals. The Group are active in this market and are always looking for opportunities.

## **Andrew Billson** **Managing Director** **Barratt Residential** **Asset Management**



Andrew Billson is one of the most experienced property managers in

the UK, he is Managing Director of Barratt Residential Asset Management (BRAM). Andy joined BRAM after 21 years with OM Property Management Ltd, to ensure that the company's customer service in property management adds value to Barratt's property offering.

## **Peter Bolton King** **Global Residential** **Director Royal** **Institution of Chartered** **Surveyors**

Peter works alongside RICS' other professional group teams to increase its presence in the residential sector, and promote the role of RICS Residential globally. He has been a vocal supporter of Government regulation in the sector. Peter is the former Chief Executive of National Federation of Property Professionals (NFoPP).

## **Sam Bone** **Partner** **Wallace LLP**

Sam is joint head of the leasehold enfranchisement department. She has successfully represented a wide range of landlord and tenant clients including the Freshwater Group, and has been involved in several significant cases, including Brick Farm Management v Richmond Housing Estate and City & Country Properties v

Plowden Investments. Sam deals with over 350 enfranchisement cases each year.

## **Sir Peter Bottomley MP** **Leasehold Campaigner** **House of Commons**

Sir Peter is a vocal campaigner for leasehold reform both inside and outside Parliament. He has chaired several meetings in his Westminster offices about leasehold issues, after a landmark legal case in his constituency brought what he describes as "legal torture" to his attention.

## **Mary-Anne Bowring** **Managing Director** **Ringley Group**

Mary-Anne, an Engineer and Chartered Surveyor is the founding director of Ringley Group, which delivers property management to 10,000 leasehold properties, building engineering services, valuations and legal work to help leaseholders enfranchise or claim their right to manage. She sits on the IRPM's Board of Governors, Committee at Notting Hill Housing Trust and is one of London's Ambassadors for Apprenticeships.

## **Martin Boyd** **Director** **Leasehold Knowledge** **Partnership (LKP)**

Having successfully won several cases in the LVT

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## Clare Brady

### Partner, Brady solicitors

Property litigator Clare Brady is no stranger to ambition. She has quickly grown Brady Solicitors to become one of the premier property management law firms, with a relentless focus on innovation, efficiency and client service that has secured for Bradys an impressive roster of clients since the firm's launch in 2008.

which specialises in bringing Leaseholder Party Action, Major Works Litigation cases against Landlords / Freeholders. James uniquely straddles both the Surveying and Legal disciplines, a combination which provides for a perceptive, thorough and in depth understanding of this specialised field.

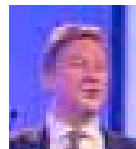
## Mark Chick

### Partner Bishop & Sewell LLP

Mark Chick is head of the Leasehold Reform team at Bishop & Sewell, a leading firm of central London lawyers. He is a director of ALEP and has appeared on BBC Breakfast as property expert. He also writes and lectures regularly on landlord and tenant matters.

## David Clark

### Principal Mainstay Group



Principal and one of four owners at Mainstay Group, David has spent over 25 years immersed in the leasehold sector. He is a former chairman of ARMA and current governor of the IRPM, being closely involved with the formation of both organisations. He is passionate about raising standards in the sector and a regular speaker and blogger.

## Franco Cirillo

### Dorrington Estates



Franco is a Chartered Surveyor with over 20 years' experience in estate management, having spent nine years with the

Cadogan Estate. He serves on BPF working parties and his duties include the asset management of Dorington's assured shorthold portfolio.

## Paul Crook

### Managing Director Mainstay



Paul's involvement in residential property management began as an urban regeneration specialist in local government in the 1980s. Following a further 20 years in the building services sector, Paul returned to residential property management with his appointment as MD at Mainstay Group in 2010. His passion is service excellence.

## Andrew Cunningham

### Chief Executive Officer Grainger PLC



Andrew joined Grainger in 1996 serving as Finance Director, Deputy CEO and, since 2009, CEO. He is a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. He sits on the policy committee of the British Property Federation and is a member of the Cambridge University Land Economy Advisory Board.

## Richard Daver

### Managing Director Rendall & Rittner



A member of the RICS and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of

for his own building, Martin is now determined to help other flat owners individually and by campaigning for legal change under the LKP banner. Martin is active in lobbying members of Parliament for leasehold reform.

## Kelly Bream

### Head of Operations Berkeley Group

Kelly is responsible for the Operations Department for the prestigious Capital Division. Concentrating on the design of buildings, the legal structure and appointment of Managing Agents, Kelly's core role is to ensure developments are designed, managed and financially operated to the highest of standards.

## Julian Briant

### Head of Residential Cluttons

Julian heads up Cluttons' residential consultancy and has for almost 30 years managed London Estates. His roles have included leasehold enfranchisement, valuations, lease restructuring, management, expert witness, insurances, statutory tenancies and refurbishments - right across London but especially in St John's Wood, Kensington, Dulwich and Kennington for Family Trusts, Charities, property companies and private individuals.

## James Butler

### Director, Landmark



James Butler is the owner director of Landmark Residential





Housing, Richard joined R&R in 2006 to head a specialist team providing developers with long-term consultancy and management services. He has been instrumental in delivering the management of a range of substantial developments through to full management.

### **Peter Dening** **Partner**

#### **Pennycuik Collins**

Peter is a partner in the practice of Pennycuik Collins, specialising in residential block



### **Professor James Driscoll** **Lawyer & Mediator**

James combines many professional roles: he is a solicitor (over 20 years with Trowers & Hamlin), a Lawyer Chair at the Residential Property Tribunal, a distinguished academic (currently a visiting Professor at Essex University), a prolific author of books and articles, a well-known conference speaker and an accredited mediator.

management. As chairman of ARMA from 2010 to 2012 Peter oversaw the appointment of ARMA's new CEO and the establishment of the ARMA-Q project which was launched in May 2013. Peter is an ARMA council member.

### **Jack Dromey MP** **Shadow Housing Minister, Labour Party**

Jack is the Labour MP for Birmingham Erdington and as Shadow Housing Minister has been supportive of greater protections for renters and landlords and promised that housing will take political centre stage at the next election. Jack says housing, "... is intrinsically linked to economic growth and rebuilding our future".

### **Mark Elliott** **Chief Executive Officer**

**McCarthy & Stone**  
Mark Elliott joined McCarthy and Stone, the largest builder of private retirement flats in the UK, in 2012. He was previously CEO at Arena Leisure plc. Mark also spent fifteen years at Wembley plc, latterly as CEO, where he was instrumental in the sale of Wembley Stadium to the Football Association.

### **Janet Entwistle** **CEO, Peverel**

Janet is head of the UK's largest property management services



### **Anthony Essien** **Chief Executive, The Leasehold Advisory Service**

Anthony, an accredited mediator and barrister, has been involved in residential leasehold for almost 20 years, and leads a Government funded organisation which provides help and advice to over 40,000 leaseholders in England and Wales each year, as well as training to hundreds of practitioners.

businesses, managing over 200,000 homes, from small blocks of flats to complex developments with over 1,500 individual homes. She has a track record of transforming businesses through a relentless focus on customer service and launched the group's first Customer Charter in 2012.

### **Robert Orr-Ewing** **Partner - Leasehold Reform Department**

**Knight Frank**  
Robert's handles a multitude of applications to extend leases or buy

freeholds, on behalf of lessees and freeholders; advises on leasehold professional negligence cases, and on rent reviews. He has appeared as an expert witness at many leasehold valuation tribunals and has been involved in some 8 appeals to the Lands Tribunal, including Arbib and Sportelli.

### **Nick Faulkner** **Head of New Developments**

**Stiles Harold Williams**  
Nick Faulkner has been in

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leasehold management for over 20 years. Having built and sold one business, Labyrinth Properties, he now provides consultancy advice to Chartered Surveyors wishing to expand into this market. His personal contacts through the industry has led him to work for virtually every PLC house builder and developer.

**Nigel Feast**  
**Managing Director**  
**Deacon**



Nigel is well known in the insurance world having worked alongside many influential leaders, allowing him to source exceptional new products and premiums. His experience, combined with Deacons understanding of Blocks of Flats Insurance

and the backing of new owners A J Gallagher's, suggests he is a name on people's lips in the insurance market.

**Ian Fletcher**  
**Director of Policy**  
**British Property**  
**Federation (BPF)**



The Federation's assiduous Director of Policy, whose remit covers everything property, but looks never happier than when promoting residential investment. Participated in the Government's Montague Review Group, and must be delighted to see his campaigning for an institutionally-funded build-to-let sector gaining the support of Government and the imagination of the market.

**Neil Gardiner**  
**Fund Manager**  
**Aviva Investors**



Neil has specialised in the residential and alternative investment sectors for over 20 years. Whilst at Aviva Investors he has been closely involved in areas including Igloo Regeneration Fund, Quercus Healthcare Fund, Beach Student Fund and Capital Residential Fund, as well as launching and managing the Aviva Investors REaLM Ground Rent Fund. Neil has also advised on residential investments in Germany, the Czech Republic and Romania.

**Baroness Gardner**  
**Leasehold Campaigner**  
**House of Lords**  
As a Peeress in the

House of Lords, Baroness Gardner has actively raised issues concerning residential leasehold property in Parliament including questioning the Government on regulating managing agents and leasehold service charges.

**Andrew Garwood Watkins**  
**Managing Director**  
**Residential Facilities**  
**Management**

Andrew has a broad and substantive professional experience built up over a 30 year career. Seeking to add value not only the management of residential property but in Project and Construction management, Building alterations/development, Residential ground rent reviews, Lease extensions/Enfranchisement. He is also an accredited Expert Witness on the reasonableness of service charges.



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**Julius Gottlieb**  
**Managing Director**  
**Dorchester Real Estate**  
**Asset Management**



Julius set up Dorchester in 2010 as a fund and asset

manager in order to source and manage ground rent portfolios on a sufficient scale for Institutional Investors to gain access to the market. Prior to Dorchester, Julius was Finance Director of Morley Fund Management, now Aviva Investors property

fund management business.

**Alex Greenslade**  
**Honorary Secretary**  
**Association**  
**of Leasehold**  
**Enfranchisement**  
**Practitioners (ALEP)**  
**Managing Director**  
**Leasehold Solutions**

Alex founded both with his sister, Anna Bailey. He has huge experience as a hands-on manager of both collective enfranchisement and bulk lease extension projects and prides himself on explaining both processes in jargon-free language.

**Emma Guy**  
**Director of Asset**  
**Management**  
**Cadogan Estate**

The Cadogan Estate comprises 93 acres of Chelsea with a value of circa £3.4 billion. Held by the family for over 300 years, today it includes approximately 3,000 flats, 600 houses, as well as shops, offices, restaurants and hotels. The Estate has been at the forefront of setting LRA valuation precedent.

**David Haddon**  
**Stiles Harold Williams**  
Chartered Surveyor David, is successfully expanding SHW's residential property management business, which has grown by over 5,000 managed units, since 2010. He focuses on mixed use, multi-tenure regeneration



**Damian Greenish**  
**Chairman, Pemberton Greenish**

Damian Greenish is Chairman of solicitors Pemberton Greenish LLP. He is co-editor of the leading textbook on enfranchisement; Hague on Leasehold Enfranchisement. He is Honorary President of the Association of Leasehold Enfranchisement Practitioners (ALEP) and is a member of the Residential Management Committee of the British Property Federation.

projects across southern England, though he has also recently acquired George Trollope's management portfolio, increasing SHW's central London leasehold management services.

**Harry Handelsman**  
**Founder & Chief**  
**Executive, Manhattan**  
**Loft Corporation**



Since 1992 Harry has created some of London's most

renowned developments. He was made an honorary RIBA fellow in 2012. No two projects are alike; from the restoration of the St Pancras Renaissance Hotel to Bankside Lofts. Harry is currently working on a staggering new skyscraper in Stratford, and many other exciting projects.

**Baroness Hanham**  
**Under Secretary of**  
**State Department for**  
**Communities and Local**  
**Government**  
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Government Minister responsible for leasehold in the House of Lords. She has recently been supportive of ARMA-Q, the new self-regulatory regime for managing agents although, on behalf of the Government, has resisted more strident calls for legislative intervention in the leasehold sector.

### **Roger Hardwick** **Head of** **Enfranchisement** **Brethertons LLP**

Roger is an expert solicitor in the field of Residential Leasehold Property with a particular focus on Leasehold Enfranchisement and the Right to Manage. Roger is a member of the Association of Leasehold Enfranchisement Practitioners (ALEP) and has been shortlisted at the prestigious Enfranchisement and Right to Manage Awards (ERMA) 2013.

### **Mark Hawthorn** **Director Landmark** **Investments Group**



Established in 2000, Landmark Investments has become a nationally-recognised and respected landlord amongst tenants and developers for its mutual high quality service offered to its tenants and the developer who has a brand to protect.

### **Baroness Hayter** **Leasehold Campaigner** **House of Lords**

Baroness Hayter chaired a Review Group commissioned by ARMA into the regulation of managing agents (now ARMA-Q), and has actively campaigned for statutory regulation. Recently, her efforts have led to an amendment to the Enterprise Bill requiring managing agents to offer leaseholders and freeholders access to an approved 'redress scheme'.

### **Brendan Hegarty** **Head of Sky Communal** **TV, SKY**

Brendan is responsible for Sky's Communal TV systems, working with landlords, managing agents and developers. Since he joined in January 2012, the division has reached one million customers and its subsidised model has grown to 60,000 units annually. He is currently working with new build developers on a Sky-ready homes proposition and will shortly be introducing a single-cable upgrade solution onto the market.

### **Georgiana Hibberd** **Associate Director** **RICS Residential Faculty**



Georgiana qualified as a Chartered Surveyor in 1986. She



### **Graham Jaffe** **Senior Partner, JPC Law**

The world of leasehold enfranchisement is a minefield for the unwary and can at times defy logic. With over 20 years of experience, Graham has developed the expertise to determine clear strategies to overcome what can often seem to be insurmountable hurdles and achieve results which invariably exceed expectations.

joined the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors residential faculty in 2007. Georgiana's role includes advising RICS members and members of the public on residential issues and the production of practice notes and guidance, particularly on residential block management issues.

### **Rt. Hon Keith Hill** **Chair** **ARMA-Q**

Keith, a former MP and Minister of Housing, is now leading the new

independent self-regulatory panel created by ARMA. Keith leads a regulatory panel which will oversee and enforce a new Consumer Charter and set of Standards that have been specifically tailored for managing agents.

### **Jeremy Hudson** **Partner** **Speechly Bircham**



Jeremy manages the enfranchisement



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practice and leads a team of eight lawyers. He is an expert in claims for the freehold of houses and collective and lease extensions in respect of flats. His principal client is the Howard de Walden Marylebone Estate. He has been involved with many recent leading cases in the House of Lords/ Supreme Court such as Aggio, Malekshad and Hosebay.

### **Dudley Joiner** **Founder & Director** **Right to Manage** **Federation (RTMF)**

Dudley founded the RTMF, a not-for-profit organisation that helps leaseholders exercise their legal right to manage their building. They have helped 3800 leaseholders through this process including acting in the largest right to manage application to date - a 422 unit apartment building in London.



### **Ben Jordan** **Managing Director, Premier Estates**

Ben has over 20 years' experience working in residential property management. He is the current Chair of ARMA and fellow of the IRPM. He has been heavily involved in developing ARMA's new self-regulatory regime, ARMA-Q.

### **Nick Jopling** **Executive Director** **Grainger PLC**



Nick joined Grainger plc in September 2010 as executive director with responsibility for property matters from CB Richard Ellis where he was executive director of residential. Nick's responsibility covers Grainger's UK residential portfolio, development and fund management business units. Nick is also the chairman of the Urban Land Institute's UK Residential Product Council.

### **The Leaseholder**

With over an estimated 2.5 million privately owned leasehold properties in the country, by far the most influential people in the sector are flat owners themselves. In London alone, service charges are estimated in excess of £500 million. As paying customers, leaseholders are increasingly aware of their rights and how to exercise them.

### **Jonathan Leitch** **Founder** **JB Leitch LLP**

The firm specialises in the residential property market sector and has built a reputation of excellence, growing substantially through client referrals. JB Leitch now acts for many influential businesses in the property management sector including major freehold investment companies.

### **Robert Levene** **Admin Director** **Federation of Private** **Residents Associations** **(FPRA)**

Robert has been volunteering in the leasehold sector for over 30 years starting off as founding Chairman of a Residents' Association. Since, he has been a committee member, Chief Executive and now Admin Director of the FPRA. For 10+ years he was a non-executive director of LEASE and has written numerous articles from the leaseholders' perspective.

### **Chris March** **Chief Executive** **Braemar Estates**

Chris' involvement in the sector started when he shared offices with a developer. Subsequently, he sold his business to Countrywide, where he spent a decade growing their leasehold business. He has been involved in acquiring ground rent reversions for clients for over 20 years and now manages some of the UK's most iconic residential buildings.

### **Debbie Matusевичius** **Leasehold Consultant** **ARHM**



A former Chair of the Association of Retirement Housing Managers, Debbie has worked in property management for many years and is passionate about continually improving retirement housing. At Anchor, England's largest not-for-profit leasehold management organisation, Debbie provides specialist leasehold support to meet regulatory and statutory requirements and drive best practice.

### **Steve Michaux** **Director of Leasehold** **Services** **A2Dominion Group**

Steve has over 25 years' experience of housing and leasehold management and at A2Dominion is responsible for a portfolio of 7,000 leasehold and shared ownership properties. He chairs the National Housing Association Leasehold Group, acting as an advocate for specialist management of leasehold properties and a higher profile for shared ownership.

### **Graeme Moran** **Managing Director** **Assettrust Housing** **Limited**

Graeme is currently working to deliver a £1bn+ housing programme. He has over 20 years experience in delivering affordable housing and asset management in the public and private sectors. He was previously Chair of The National Housing Federation's Home Ownership Advisory Panel and has served as a member of six Government home ownership reviews.

### **Steve Morgan** **Chairman** **Redrow Homes**

Steve founded Redrow in 1974. The business evolved from a small civil engineering contractor to one of the UK's leading home-builders. Steve led the Company flotation in 1994 and eventually stepped down as Chairman in November 2000. He returned in March 2009. He was awarded an OBE in 1992 for services to the construction industry.

## Paul Neville Head of Residential Property, Forsters



Paul is head of Forsters residential property team and is

an expert in all aspects of residential property. He has a particular specialisation in leasehold enfranchisement where he has extensive experience acting for individual tenants, groups of tenants, freeholders and intermediate landlords. He also acts for several residential estates.

largest in the country), Alison Nimmo is the first woman to lead The Crown Estate. She presides over an £8bn portfolio which last year returned £240m to the Treasury, for the benefit of the nation.

## Mark North Associate Brethertons

Mark joined Brethertons in 2005 as a Debt Recovery Manager in the Property Management team. He became a dedicated Business Development Manager in 2011, liaising with new and existing clients to ensure that the service they receive exceeds their expectations. Mark became an Associate of Brethertons in April 2012.

## Steve O'Connell AM Chair, "Highly Charged" London Assembly Member

Steve led "Highly Charged", the report by the Planning and Housing Committee of the London Assembly into service charges in London. His efforts created a recent and important reference piece highlighting the difficulties of leasehold tenure, particularly in London.

## Sebastian O'Kelly Director Leasehold Knowledge Partnership (LKP)

Sebastian, formerly Property Editor of the Mail on Sunday, is a campaigner for leasehold reform highlighting the injustices of the system via the popular LKP blog and providing an accreditation scheme for managing agents. He has recently won two press awards and been named in Parliament for his efforts.



## Robert Plumb Chief Executive Officer HML

Rob qualified as a chartered accountant with Ernst & Young and worked in financial services for 20 years before becoming CEO of Hercules Property Services (Dunlop Heywood and Gross Fine). He joined HML and floated it on the LSE in 2006. HML manages 40,000 residential units from 11 offices.

## Chris Patterson & Thomas Brooks Researchers & Authors Centre Forum

Chris and Thomas co-authored the CentreForum's report into the leasehold sector, titled 'A new lease of life: making leasehold fit for the 21st Century'. The report argues that a light touch, independent regulator for leasehold managing agents is essential if Britain's 2.5 million leasehold properties are to be given sufficient protection.

## Liz Peace CBE CEO, British Property Federation

Liz became CEO of the British Property Federation in 2002. She is currently working closely with the Coalition Government on the implementation of their growth agenda. Her achievements at

the BPF have included REITs, avoiding damaging legislation on commercial leases, and improvements to planning and tax legislation.

## Tony Pidgely CBE Co-Founder & Group Chairman, Berkeley Group

Tony founded the Berkeley Group which has become one of the nation's most prestigious housebuilders and has built nearly 50,000 homes since 1976. Tony is a respected leader, named in 2010 as the most influential person in the London housing market, and recently recognised in the 2013 New Year Honours.

## Jeff Platt Chief Executive Institute of Residential Property Management (IRPM)



## Trevor Moross Joint Managing Director, Dorrington PLC

Trevor is responsible for the residential property interests of Dorrington, one of London's largest landlords. He has served on the Boards of The Leasehold Advisory Service (until 2012) and The British Property Federation (until 2012), and is a well-known spokesman on residential property investment matters. He is a Board member of London & Quadrant Housing Association and a Governor of Dolphin Square Foundation.

## Alison Nimmo CEO, The Crown Estate



Currently the only female CEO of a top-ten UK property company (by area the



Jeff has been heavily involved in developing Professional Qualifications, Examinations and Training for over 3,000 property managers within the leasehold / block management sector. He is the lead author of the Property Management Chapter of the RICS Blue Book and a Professional Member of the Residential Property Tribunal Service.



**Andrew Pridell**  
**Chairman, Andrew Pridell Associates**  
**Director ALEP**

Andrew specialises in lease extension and collective enfranchisement advice and valuation. Appearing in numerous cases as advocate and expert, he also regularly lectures on leasehold reform. Andrew is a Director of ALEP, part of the RICS Working Group on enfranchisement valuation and an Honorary Consultant to the Federation of Private Residents' Associations.

**Mark Prisk MP**  
**Minister of State for**  
**Housing**  
**House of Commons**

As Minister of State for Housing, Mark Prisk MP is the Government Minister responsible for leasehold property. As he is a Chartered Surveyor by profession, and ran his own business for 10 years before entering politics as a Conservative MP, he has a unique insight and understanding of the property industry.



**Gerry Proctor MBE**  
**Chair, Engage**  
**Liverpool CIC**



Gerry is Chair of City Quay Management Company Ltd, the largest

apartment complex in Liverpool. He is also Chair of Engage Liverpool CIC which brings together leaseholders and those living in leasehold property in the city centre and waterfront. Gerry represents around 32,000 apartment residents on all the major stakeholder groups in Liverpool.

**Philip Rainey QC**  
**Barrister & Head of**  
**Chambers,**  
**Tanfield Chambers**



Enfranchisement Barrister of the Year 2009; Real Estate Junior

**Anthony Radevsky**  
**Barrister, Falcon Chambers**

Tony is co-author of the leading textbooks, Hague on Leasehold Enfranchisement and Tenants' Right of First Refusal. He has appeared in many important cases, including 4 in the House of Lords/Supreme Court, and 49 in the Court of Appeal. He was the Barrister of Year at the Enfranchisement and Right to Manage Awards 2012.

of the Year 2009, Silk 2010. Within his property practice, Philip specialises in Leasehold Enfranchisement, and associated areas such as RTM. Philip is also an expert in service charges. Philip was Counsel in Sportelli and Daejan v Benson.

Group Chief Executive of George Wimpey Plc and before that successively held the posts of Finance Director and Chief Executive of George Wimpey's UK Housing business.

**Natasha Rees**  
**Partner, Forsters**



Natasha has experience in all areas of residential property

litigation and leasehold enfranchisement. She advises and acts for a number of settled estates,

**Pete Redfern**  
**Group CEO**  
**Taylor Wimpey**

Group CEO since 2007, Pete has full day to day operational responsibility for the UK Housing division. Prior to the merger he was



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charities, landlords and management companies in London. Natasha also regularly acts for tenants in relation to enfranchisement claims and enfranchisement-related litigation, including professional negligence claims.

### **Duncan Rendall** **Chairman And Founder** **Rendall & Rittner**



Duncan started R&R with Matt Rittner in 1990, becoming Chairman in 2010.

He is a past Chairman of ARMA and is currently Council Member. Duncan is also an IRPM Fellow.

### **Matt Rittner** **Founding Director** **Rendall & Rittner**



Matt built a chain of record shops, including wholesaling, importing and exporting of vinyl & CDs before founding R&R with Duncan in 1990. Matt's responsible for the placement of all insurances and continues to manage developments and has 4 management Teams reporting to him. The business is all about people.



### **Neil Shearing** **Principal Solicitor, SLC**

Neil (Solicitor, Landlord, Tenant) is passionate about the sector, its requirement for professional integrity, improved service delivery, innovation, income generation and risk free legal services that support management professionals, investors and leaseholders. Neil's award winning conceptual legal services delivery extends to accountancy, insurance and credit control. Other passions include vineyards, Newcastle United and various charitable associations.



### **Deep Sagar** **Chair, The Leasehold Advisory Service** **(LEASE)**

Deep, an experienced management consultant and non-executive director, is appointed by the Secretary of State for the Department of Communities and Local Government as Chair of LEASE. LEASE provides free legal advice and other services about residential leasehold in England and Wales.

### **Neil Roberts** **Managing Director** **Braemar Estates**

Neil has 27 years' property experience across all property asset classes having qualified as a Chartered Surveyor in 1986. He supervises Braemar Estates' operational estate and facilities management functions across a portfolio of c. 9,000 ground rent and block residential units. Neil is a co-opted Director of Contour Property Services, part of Liverpool's Symphony Housing Group.

### **Paul Robertson** **Managing Director** **Midway Insurance** **Services Ltd**

Paul is Managing Director of

Midway Insurance Services Ltd who are the parent company to 1st Sure Ltd, winners of "Block Insurer of the Year" for the last three successive years. Paul is passionate about ensuring flat owners are treated fairly and are provided with insurance products that provide appropriate protection for an reasonable price.

### **Rob Robertson** **Managing Director** **Crabtree Property** **Management**



Rob is responsible for the day-to-day operational functions of the property management business which has over 17,000 individual units within its



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portfolio mainly spread across London and the South East. Rob aims to deliver Crabtree's mission: to be recognised as the market leader in property management.

### **Duncan Salvesen** **Director - Residential** **Dorrington PLC**



Duncan, a qualified Chartered Surveyor, is responsible for Dorington's residential business, comprising a portfolio of over 4,000 units.



### **Bob Smytherman** **Chairman, Federation of Private** **Residents' Associations**

Bob Smytherman is the Chairman of The Federation of Private Residents' Associations, which provides impartial advice to over 500 Residents' Associations. Bob is a passionate campaigner and advocate for leasehold rights, and since 1992 has been a director of his own residents' association.

He serves on the residential committee of the British Property Federation and several other working parties. He is well known in the residential investment market.

### **Ian Sands** **Enfranchisement** **Director, Howard De** **Walden Estate**



Ian is a Chartered Surveyor with over 20 years' experience in Estate Management. He spent 10 years with the Grosvenor Estate and in 2009 moved to the Howard de Walden Estate where he currently manages all of the Leasehold Enfranchisement matters for the Estate. Ian Sands has been involved in training graduates and is also an APC Chairman.

### **Jonathan Smith** **Managing Director** **Trinity Estates**



In its 14th Year, Trinity is currently managing in excess of 40,000 homes nationwide. Jonathan has been at the forefront of implementing controls and efficiency at Trinity and is working closely with industry colleagues on necessary regulation changes and is committed to continuing the evolution of the industry.

### **Simon Serota** **Partner & Head of** **Litigation** **Wallace LLP**

Simon's reputation as one of London's top property litigators stems from his establishment of one of the first legal teams dedicated to leasehold enfranchisement, which has experienced phenomenal success. Simon is advising on the freehold acquisition of Dolphin Square - the largest enfranchisement claim to date; and all the enfranchisement work for one of London's largest private landlords.

### **Richard Stephenson** **General Manager,** **Asset Management** **Harrods Estates Asset** **Management** **Founding Director** **PL Management**



Richard heads up both Harrods Estates Asset

Management and PL Management, between them probably the leading managing agents for prime central London and riverside, new developments. Richard founded both businesses in 2000 and has built up a blue chip client and development portfolio. Richard also provides consultancy advice for new development management.

### **Craig Stevens** **Managing Director** **Warwick Estates**



Craig started the company in 2007 and it has grown very quickly with over 300 developments and almost 20,000 units under management. Previously he worked for two of the largest companies in the industry. Warwick Estates won the "National Property Management Company" category at the Blockinsure Property Management Awards.

### **Alastair Stimson** **Director,** **Enfranchisement** **Savills**

Alistair is one of the leading enfranchisement and lease extension valuers in London. He has dealt with some landmark and high profile Prime Central London enfranchisement cases, and was part of the team behind the successful placement of the Asset Management across for the Wellcome Trust's South Kensington Estate.

### **Steve Stone** **Chief Executive** **Crest Nicholson**

Stephen Stone joined the Group in 1995 and was appointed to the Board in 1999 becoming Chief Executive on 1 November 2005. He is the Board member responsible for



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Health & Safety. He is a Chartered Architect with over 30 years' experience in the construction and housebuilding industry and in 2011 he joined the HBF Board as a non-executive director.

**Jonathan Turton**  
**Consultant**  
**Boodle Hatfield**



Jonathan Turton is a leading specialist in enfranchisement law at Boodle Hatfield. He has been involved in some

of the leading enfranchisement cases and is known for his innovative work in developing new structures that enable houses and flats to be sold on long leases without creating enfranchisement rights.

**Terry White**  
**Chairman**  
**Crabtree Property Management**



Terry focusses on new initiatives and opportunities for expansion of the Crabtree Group, which now comprises six separate companies. Since participating in the management buy-out in 2002, Crabtree has grown organically and through acquisition to be one of the largest managing agents in the UK.

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**Brett Williams**  
**Partner**  
**CPBIGWOOD**

Brett has over 20 years' experience of working in service charge management and his department manages a portfolio approaching 16,500 individual flats and apartments in some 450 developments. He is a past Chairman of ARMA, where he is also a Director and currently sits on the RICS Property Management Working Group.



**Debra Yudolph**  
**Partner, Say Property Consulting LLP**

Since leaving her role as Director of Asset and Property Management at Grainger in 2009, Debra co-founded SAY Property Consulting LLP. SAY specialise in residential and mixed use management advice. Debra is working on some of London's most prestigious and complex developments and is pushing the industry forward in respect of management and service standards.

**James Wilson**  
**Partner, W.A. Ellis**



James is a regular speaker on leasehold valuation

issues including as a member of RICS Residential Survey and Valuation Group. He is co-author of 'Leasehold enfranchisement explained', and is lead author of RICS Practice

Standards, UK 'Leasehold reform in England and Wales', and a contributor to 'iSurv' on leasehold reform matters.



**Janie Strange**  
**Chairman, Institute of Residential Property Management**

Janie has been involved with the Institute of Residential Property Management from the beginning in 2002. The Institute now has a membership of 3,000 and is recognised as the leading professional body for residential block managers with employers now seeking IRPM qualified managers. She is currently Chairman.

# Who Have We Missed?

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