



We currently have an exciting opportunity in our Gatwick office for a Real Estate (Senior) Associate to join our Rural Business & Estates (RBE) team.

Our experienced team, whose core members are based in our Gatwick office, has a strong track record in acting for rural landowners in a wide variety of property, development and planning issues. Our transactional work for rural landowners is allied to a strong contentious property and planning practice, as well as our extensive Private Wealth (particularly Tax, Trusts & Estates) offering.

Examples of transactional work for rural clients in the last 12 months, across the country, have included:

- Negotiating and completing an option agreement for sale of a 4,000 unit site in Sussex.
- Negotiating and completing an option for an easement for a windfarm electricity cable through an estate in Norfolk.
- Negotiating the surrender of an Agricultural Holdings Act tenancy and granting a new Farm Business Tenancy to facilitate minerals extraction in Staffordshire.
- Sale of a 60-acre farm with residential development potential in Norfolk as part of a dispute resolution process.
- Transfers and sales off in estate-restructuring exercises in Kent and Surrey.
- First registrations of estates in Kent and Hertfordshire.
- Negotiating leases and other agreements for a £15m leisure complex in Yorkshire.

Ideally the successful candidate will have experience of:

- Freehold sales and purchases of farms, estates and country houses.
- Drafting and negotiating leases for commercial and rural land uses.
- Development (options and conditional contracts) and infrastructure work from the landowner side.

A working knowledge of the law relating to agricultural tenancies is sought, but not above wide-ranging freehold and leasehold transactional property experience.

At Irwin Mitchell we encourage individuality and embrace natural flair and this is an exciting opportunity further to develop your skills. You will already have strong technical abilities but we will actively encourage your long term development through our unique learning programmes. A good communicator with rounded client management and team working abilities, you will thrive in a fast-paced environment working on a stimulating mix of projects and will enjoy increasing amounts of responsibility as your experience grows.

You will be rewarded with strong partner and client access, working in and with a friendly and supportive team, a good remuneration package and excellent career progression opportunities. You will also be encouraged and supported in getting involved in business development to and develop your own network of contacts within the planning and development sector.

Irwin Mitchell is passionate about the law and in providing our clients with the very best legal advice and guidance. We believe in putting our clients first.

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