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About Claire

Claire is a senior solicitor in our Real Estate Practice based in our Manchester office. Claire deals with all aspects of commercial property with a particular focus on property development and regeneration, and is also a key member of our Chemicals Group.

Claire is qualified to practice in England and Wales and in 2001 she also qualified to practice in Australia.

Experience

- Acting for a joint venture company against Wigan MBC acquiring Robin Park Wigan to provide over 300,000 square feet of retail and leisure use.
- Acting for a joint venture company in its development, letting and funding of The Light Leeds to provide 360,000 square feet of a mixture of uses including a hotel (in a listed building) and retail, restaurant, leisure and lifestyle uses behind a listed façade.
- Acting for the developer in a joint venture with The City and County of Swansea for a mixed leisure and retail development. This involved a complex site assembly, construction of 3 bridges spanning the River Tawe, relocation of the City's football stadium, new leisure facilities and an out-of-town retail park.
- Advising Southampton City Council in respect of a high profile office development within the City centre, involving State Aid and public procurement issues.
- Acting for English Partnerships and North West Development Agency on the provision of gap funding in connection with various development projects.
- Representing Cheshire County Council in respect of a CPO by Chester City Council relating to ING's proposed Northgate Development in Chester City Centre to provide 440,000 square feet of new retail space, a new performing arts centre, library, market hall, bus station, and residential apartments. Detailed land swap and relocation arrangements were necessary in respect of the County Council's holdings.

Credentials

Education

- De Montfort University, Law Degree, 1993
- University of Leicester, LL.B., 1992

Admissions

- England and Wales, 1995

Expertise

Services

- Real Estate

Industries

- Chemicals

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