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Why do I need a Power of Attorney?

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There are a number of reasons why you might need someone to make decisions for you or act on your behalf.

It could just be temporary: for example, if you are in hospital and need help with everyday things such as making sure that bills are paid. Or you may need to make more long-term plans if, for example, you have been diagnosed with dementia.

What is a Lasting Power of Attorney?

A Lasting Power of Attorney gives someone you trust the legal authority to make decisions on your behalf, if either you are unable to in the future or you want help managing your finances.

How to get a Lasting Power of Attorney

At Ware & Kay Solicitors we are committed to setting up a Lasting Power of Attorney as simply and straightforwardly as possible – we are exceptionally familiar with the process and can streamline it for your specific requirements. If you are not sure how to get a Power of Attorney organised, simply choose the people you would like to nominate as your attorneys and let us take care of the whole submission process from start to finish.



Services for individuals:

- Buying & Selling your home
- Wills & Probate
- Will, Inheritance & Trust Disputes
- Tax & Estate Planning
- Family, Children & Mediation
- Employment Advice
- Accident & Personal Injury Claims
- Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- Farming & Agriculture
- Town & Country Planning
- Elderly Client Services

Services for businesses:

- Company & Commercial Services
- Commercial Property
- Civil Litigation including
 Debt Collection
- Employment Advice
- Farming & Agriculture
- Town & Country Planning

Financial Advice

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One of our Solicitors will talk you through the process either at our offices or visit you at home at your convenience to discuss your Lasting Power of Attorney with you, then draw up the required paperwork for your approval before supervising the signing process (because strict guidelines have to be followed). Once this is done, we will submit the application for Lasting Power of Attorney to the Office of the Public Guardian for registration, and only after this has been approved can your attorneys act on your behalf.

People most often consider immediate family for Lasting Powers of Attorney, and we will explain to all parties how to get a Power of Attorney put in place to make things easier for all those affected by the loss of physical or mental capacity of a family member. We will be happy to offer any advice and information you need. Putting a Lasting Power of Attorney in place does not have to be stressful, just one call to Ware & Kay Solicitors and we will take care of it for you.

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Contact us

If you would like to know more about creating a Lasting Power of Attorney, contact a member of our Wills & Probate team on York **01904 716000** or Wetherby **01937 583210**.

If you prefer, you can email us at law@warekay.co.uk or call into one of our offices, both of which are centrally located.