

SERVICE SPECIFICATION

PARTY WALL SURVEYING



FOLLOWING THE INTRODUCTION OF THE PARTY WALL ETC. ACT 1996 IN ENGLAND & WALES, THE ACT HAS NOW SUPERSEDED ALL PREVIOUS LEGISLATIONS FOR DEALING WITH PARTY WALL DISPUTES. THE ACT GOVERNS THE WAY IN WHICH THE OWNER OF A PROPERTY CARRIES OUT WORKS ON, OR NEAR TO, NEIGHBOURING BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES AND PROTECTS THE INTERESTS OF ANYONE WHO MIGHT BE AFFECTED BY THE WORKS.

THE ACT COVERS:

- > Repair or rebuilding works to an existing wall or structure dividing two or more separate properties.
- > Excavation close to neighbouring buildings/ structures.
- > Building an independent wall or a wall forming part of a building astride a boundary with a neighbouring property.

The Act enables competent surveyors to resolve such disputes but imposes certain obligations and requires the adoption of procedures on buildings owners and adjoining owners that cannot be set aside.

OUR SERVICE

To assist our clients in the implementation of The Act, we have developed a team of party wall surveying experts who are able to offer the following services:

- > Initial appraisal of schemes to determine if The Act applies.
- > The preparation and issue of relevant Party Wall Notices under The Act.
- > The resolution of party wall disputes.
- > Provision of general advice and information to ensure that the legislation is used to the advantage of both building owners and adjoining owners.
- > Expertise to ensure that building owners and adjoining owners are able to meet their legal obligations.
- > Assist with the resolution of boundary disputes and boundary identification.

ASSOCIATED SERVICES

We are also able to provide advice where other allied legislation may apply. For example, The Access to Neighbouring Land Act 1992.

BENEFITS

- > Competitive and in-depth service.
- > National coverage.
- > Expertise and knowledge.

