

Private Client Department

Fee earners: Adam Tedstone (head of department), Mervyn Griffiths and Elizabeth Sherratt.

Please find below our costs for Wills, Powers of Attorney and applications to the Court of Protection [Table of Costs](#)

Wills

Our costs include taking instructions, drafting the Wills, attending you to sign and dealing with the relevant archiving, including storage, of your Will.

Lasting Powers of Attorney

Our costs include taking instructions, drafting the powers, attending you to sign, submitting the powers to the Office of the Public Guardian for registration (if we are instructed to do so), making any necessary notifications, providing certified copies of each power to you and dealing with the storage of your original document.

Court of Protection

Our costs include taking instructions, preparing the Court of Protection application forms, requesting a medical assessment for the person to which the application relates, attending you to sign, submitting the application to the Court of Protection, making any necessary notifications, putting in place any requested bond on your behalf and dealing with the storage of your original document.

Probate and Administration of Estates

Our charges can be based on the value of the estate and these can only be ascertained once we have determined the estate's value.

Our costs will normally be based on the extent of work involved and will be charged at our hourly rates, as below. We can be instructed to deal with as much or as little of the estate as you choose.

Works that you may ask us to carry out include: notifying banks, investment companies, utility companies, preparing Probate papers, collecting in the assets, arranging for the payment of any estate debts, Inheritance Tax and funeral costs, preparing estate accounts and distributing the estate to the beneficiaries. However, you may wish to do all or some of these actions yourself to save costs.

We offer an initial fixed fee appointment which costs £30 + VAT for a thirty minute consultation, where we can assess the works involved, take any instructions from you and also gather an idea of the value of the estate.

Other matters

We do assist with other Private Client matters such as Trust Deeds, estate planning and Deeds of Variation.

Our costs will be charged on an hourly basis:

Adam Tedstone: £225 + VAT

Elizabeth Sherratt: £150 + VAT

Mervyn Griffiths: £120 + VAT

If you would like to arrange an appointment to discuss further, please telephone 01785 712243.