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## Party walls: developing your role as a party wall surveyor.

Since 1996, the Party Wall Act has given a range of rights and responsibilities to building owners throughout the country. Despite this, thousands of extensions are built, chimneys demolished and chemical damp proof courses injected without proper agreement between neighbours being in place. In most cases, this does not cause a problem but when it does go wrong, the acrimony created by a neighbour dispute is rarely matched.

As a residential practitioners you are ideally placed to provide clients with early advice and help them avoid future problems and disputes. For example, faults to shared chimneys, unstable party boundary walls or half-built neighbouring extensions are all features regularly emphasised in pre-purchase reports. But do you take advantage of this need for further professional advice? Probably not. Consequently, many clients are passed on to others with the appropriate knowledge and experience and, more importantly, get the fee.

### Developing your role

Although you may have the necessary core skills to provide a broad range of services to your clients, acting as a 'party wall' surveyor requires a unique blend of knowledge and experience.

This first of two one-day seminars is designed for those who want to move towards providing party wall advice. We cannot cover everything in just one day so this first event will aim to help you:

- Understand the nature and content of the Party Wall etc. Act 1996;
- Advise your existing clients how their rights and responsibilities under the Act can be met informally but safely, and;
- Understand the roles and responsibilities of the surveyor when appointed to administer the Act's dispute resolution mechanism.

On this first day, the focus will be on the '*adjoining owner's*' surveyor in straight forward residential cases.

The second day is still to be announced but will take place in early 2011 and introduce more complex issues. It will also consider the part played by the '*building owner's*' surveyor.

### Seminar content

You will receive a pre-course information pack that will help them get the most out of the day will be typically structured as follows:

- The Party wall etc. Act 1996 – historical context and content of the Act;
- Definitions;
- What is and what is not covered by the Act;
- The 'notices';
- The role of an adjoining surveyor in a 'dispute' under the Act;
- The party wall award;
- Schedules of condition;

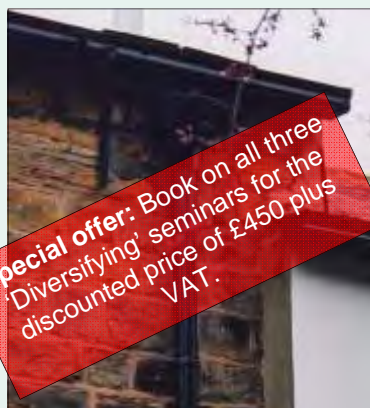
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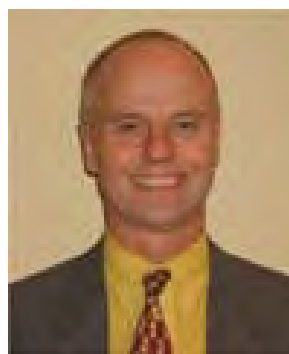
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### **Illustrated workshops**

Party Wall legislation can be very 'dry' so the day will be organised around a real case. You will receive copies of plans, sections, and photographs and set a series of practical tasks.

### **The workshop leader**

Larry Russen will lead the day. He is a Chartered Building Surveyor and Director of a firm of chartered surveyors that specialise in commercial and residential building surveying. He has provided party wall advice to many private and commercial clients since the 1996 Act came into force.



### **Post seminar 'discussion' forum**

Following the success of our dampness discussion forum, we will be setting up a discussion group on the professional networking website called 'LinkedIn'. This will allow the debate to go on even though the course is over. It is also a great way to network with fellow professionals.

### **Location**

The seminars will be held in two locations:

- Nettle Hill Training Centre near Coventry, close to the M6 and M42, and;
- Hamilton House, Mabledon Place, London WC1 which is conveniently located for main line railways.

Both provide top class facilities with excellent food - a very important part of any successful training course.

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