Landmark Information Group are committed to offering legal professionals and key business partners a range of core and bespoke training modules.

Our continuing professional development (CPD) programme will be tailored to suit your needs and can be delivered at your offices or at another location of your choosing.

**Why choose Landmark Information Group?**

Landmark Information Group have been training legal professionals on a wide range of issues for over 10 years, drawing upon a wealth of experience and knowledge of the legal and conveyancing landscape.

Each session will be delivered by a friendly in-house trainer, unique to the region and audience, we will impart essential information on risk management and compliance to support your business.
Contaminated land and other environmental risks

All conveyancers should have a basic understanding of environmental issues and the legislation behind them, along with how this should be managed in property transactions.

This one hour session looks at the most common environmental issues that arise in property transactions and how these can be effectively identified and managed.

Programme content:
- The risks that contamination presents
- Changes to the Contaminated Land Regime including the DEFRA Statutory Guidance
- Compliance – including Law Society Warning Card, reinforcing the need for effective due diligence
- Case studies
- Managing the risks
- Lenders’ requirements
- Landmark/Argyll environmental reports.

Our CPD sessions vary from 1 hours to 2 providing you with 1 or 2 accredited points accordingly.
Climate scientists predict that the UK will experience much more flooding of the type seen during the winter season of 2013/2014. There is also a growing realisation that flooding has a significant impact on properties of all types (not just those that flood themselves, but also those in areas where access routes may flood), especially for insurability, business interruption, lending and decrease in value.

This session is designed to provide delegates with an overview of how the various flood risk types can affect a residential/commercial property transaction. Delegates will also learn how they can provide clients with practical information and advice that helps their client to understand the risks and take action to address potential problems.

Programme Content:
- The nature of flood risk – the scale and why it matters to clients
- The main types of flooding compliance, guidance and the Law Society Flood Risk Practice Note
- The potential impact on a transaction
- Current status of insurance – including the Flood Re scheme
- Flood resistance and resilience
- Flood data and reports.

The product knowledge training session was fun and enlightening. Landmark were very familiar with the products and how they could assist the conveyancing process and benefit our clients. The session was clearly well planned and the interaction between the trainer and the lawyers made it interesting, relevant and fun.

Jackie Roe
Head of Convey Direct | Veale Wasbrough Vizards
Nobody wants to buy a property only to find soon afterwards that there is going to be a new development or change in infrastructure that could severely affect their use and enjoyment of the property as well as its value.

Solicitors have always carried out local authority searches, but these provide very little information outside of the subject property itself.

This one hour session provides conveyancers with details on the latest planning policies and legislation, as well as discussing major energy and infrastructure projects and their potential impact on homes and businesses. It will also demonstrate how to provide clients with information and advice that will assist in their understanding of planning issues that may impact their new property.

Programme content:
- Understanding planning issues in residential/commercial transactions
- Planning policy and legislation
- Planning information available – applications, land use designations
- Energy projects – wind farms, solar farms, fracking and carbon capture and storage
- Infrastructure projects – HS2, London Cross Rail etc.
- How Landmark planning, energy & infrastructure reports can help you and your clients.
Around 6.9 million – 1 in 5 properties - in the UK are at risk of subsidence with 20-25,000 subsidence claims made against insurers in an average year.

This one hour session will provide conveyancers with an overview of subsidence risk and its causes, as well as considering liability, insurance and how delegates can advise their clients of the risks along with the steps to take in order to manage them.

Programme content:

- What is and isn’t subsidence
- Liabilities and the approach of lenders and insurers
- Risk assessment measures, and what to do if a risk is discovered
- Steps that can be taken to reduce those risks
- Subsidence risk search report information
- Case studies.
The issues that are commonly encountered are contaminated land and leaking tanks, asbestos and flooding.

This presentation looks at the problems associated with each of these and how they can be identified and managed.

**Programme content:**

- Why each of the risks can present serious and costly problems for property owners
- How to identify each of the risks
- Data and what it does and does not cover
- The value of interpreted reports for spotting risks
- Managing the risks and insurance.

Landmark Information Group has provided us with a range of in-house training sessions on key environmental risks. Their talks are practical and relevant, clarifying what can be a confusing area of the law and explaining, in terms that a real estate lawyer can understand, what the issues are and what can be done to address concerns.

**Katharine Fenn**  
Senior Associate (PSL) | Fieldfisher
The session is highly interactive and very much geared towards understanding the different reports.

We consider the which, when & how of selecting the right reports for the various transactions such that solicitors can manage risk as part of their due diligence and client care processes, as well as discussing how to deal with any issues that may be revealed within the reports.

Programme content:
To aid understanding and provide practical application, this will be an interactive programme covering the following:

- Quick quiz on environmental, flooding and planning concerns
- Why we do searches – Law Society compliance, avoiding traps and ‘nasty surprises’
- Breakdown the content of the reports – What data & information is included within environmental, flood and other risk reports? Exercise to spot the differences.
- Which reports to select and when
- Matching the right reports for the right transaction – exercise with case study.

The product knowledge training session was well-organised, interactive and fun. It gave fee earners attending a clear insight into the different products available from Landmark and Argyll and helped those fee earners understand which products are most appropriate for any given transaction.

David Harris  |  Browne Jacobson LLP
Landmark Information Group also offers bespoke 1 or 2 hour CPD sessions based around:

- Due diligence, drafting and risk transfer for corporate transactions
- Technical Hazards – identification and management
- Nature conservation
- Agricultural land

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