



Charity legal services

Charitable organisations are subject to a growing regulatory burden and it is increasingly essential that they operate on a more commercial basis.

One consequence of this is that many charities are looking to form partnerships and joint ventures with others.

Ensuring your legal obligations are covered efficiently and effectively is a requirement you cannot afford to ignore.

Our dedicated team is acknowledged as a leading player in the Thames Valley region. We act for a variety of high-profile charitable and not-for-profit organisations and work closely with trustees and management teams to foster long-term relationships. We provide a full range of legal services tailored specifically for their growing needs.

The team has a wealth of experience on a wide variety of issues relating to employment, property, litigation and dispute resolution, contracts and intellectual property, as well as handling international charities matters.

As a full-service firm, we provide clear and concise charity law advice and ensure that other specific legal issues relating to the day to day running of your organisation are directed to the appropriate specialist teams within the firm.

This practice is regarded as an impressive player in the sector.

Clients are especially happy with the high level of commitment: "We are always guaranteed the attention of one of the senior partners... plus, the more junior staff are equally superb and we are happy to put our trust in them."

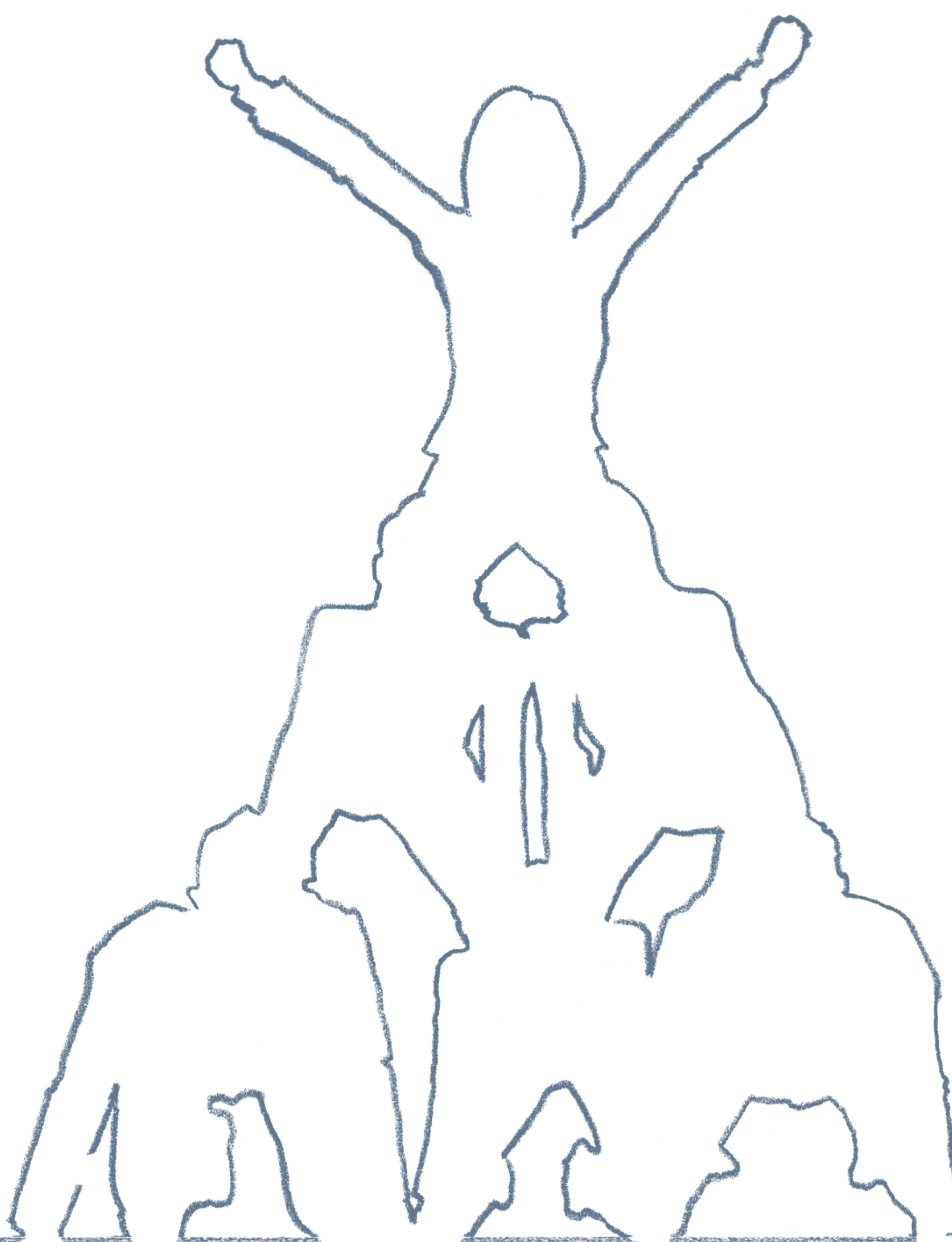
This team has an impressive client list of non-profit organisations and regional charities

Chambers UK, A Client's Guide to the Legal Profession

The team provides 'an excellent, professional service at a realistic price'.

The team is 'reliable and efficient, responding comprehensively and in good time'.

The Legal 500 UK Edition



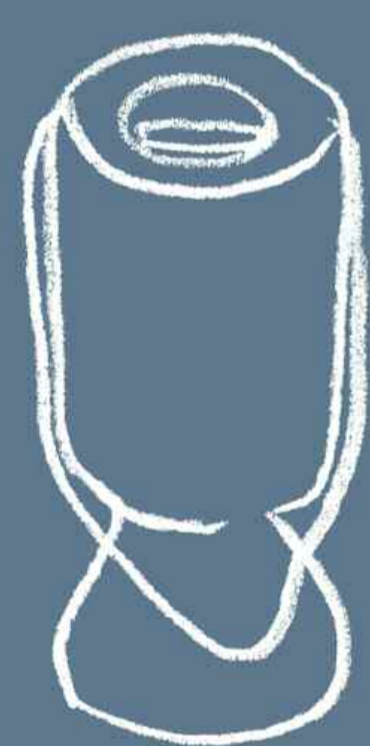
Supporting your cause

Your team

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Part of our service promise is to provide a consistent relationship between the client and the team members, ensuring we are empathetic to the clients' needs whilst also providing holistic and pragmatic advice.

Our cross-practice team provides expert support on all issues affecting your charitable organisation, including:

- Commercial contracts
- Constitutional reviews and issues
- Corporate governance
- Employment issues including discrimination, diversity and equality in the workplace
- Establishment and registration
- Fundraising
- Intellectual property rights
- Litigation and dispute resolution
- Property matters
- Reorganisation and restructuring
- Taxation and other financial and fundraising issues
- Trading
- Trustees' powers and duties

We have, over the years, found that our contacts at B P Collins are always there when we need help. We have found that they have a real understanding of our charity and are able to respond comprehensively to our requests, turning things round quickly. They are so much more than just high street solicitors and yet they have an awareness and sensitivity to the local community that belies the scale of their commercial enterprise.

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