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Contact us to find out how you could benefit from an LPA

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LASTING POWERS OF ATTORNEY



Frequently Asked Questions



What is a Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA)?

An LPA is a document that allows you to appoint, as an attorney, between one and four people whom you trust, to act on your behalf or make decisions for you when you no longer wish to do so, or no longer have the capacity to do so either through injury or a condition that affects your mind.

If you lose mental capacity and have not previously prepared an LPA, the process can be long and expensive as a third party would have to apply to the Court of Protection for an Order allowing them to deal with your affairs.



Why should you make an LPA now?

Making an LPA provides for the future, but cannot be used by your appointed attorney until it is registered with the Office of the Public Guardian.

You can also place limitations on the powers you give your attorneys and express how you want decisions to be made.

If an LPA is not in place and such power is required in the future, an application must be made to the Court of Protection, referred to earlier, and then you do not have the choice as to who exercises the power, neither can you set any limitations.

Types of LPA's

There are two types of LPA;

Property and Financial Affairs LPA

This lets your attorney make decisions, or help you make decisions about your money and other property. They can, for example, pay your bills, invest your money and even buy and sell property on your behalf.

Health and Welfare LPA

This allows your attorney to make decisions such as medical treatment for you, where you live and, also in extreme circumstances you can give your attorney the power to make decisions about matters such as resuscitation. This LPA can only be used if you lack mental capacity to make the decisions for yourself.



What next?

An LPA can be made to suit your needs. We can guide you through the process and prepare all the paperwork on your behalf, all the way through to registering the document with the Office of the Public Guardian.

