



CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER 2023

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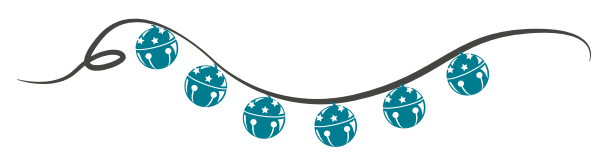


As the end of 2023 approaches, I would like to take the opportunity to look back over the last 12 months and share with you some of our key moments from the last year.

As many of you know, Spall Clark was founded in September 2019. Now, more than four years later, we are a team of five with a strong presence in Congleton and the surrounding areas. The ongoing success of the business would not have been possible without the support of all our clients together with the hard work and dedication of our highly experienced Solicitors.

On behalf of everyone at Spall Clark Solicitors, I would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Paul Clark, Managing Director
Spall Clark Solicitors



BUSINESS NEWS



Becky Spall

We are delighted to announce that as of 1st December 2023, our Practice Manager Becky became a director and co-owner of Spall Clark Solicitors.

Becky is an integral part of the team and ensures the smooth running of the firm by managing its operations, advertising and marketing, relationship management, financial matters, strategy and some aspects of compliance. Her skills and knowledge as a Solicitor also serve as a support to both clients and colleagues.



Business Legal Services



On 1st August 2023, Max Tebbitts joined the team as a Consultant Solicitor to assist with launching our new range of commercial and corporate legal services. Max is experienced in supporting clients with their legal matters during the life cycle of their businesses from inception to exit.

Max works together with the private client team to provide integrated commercial and personal legal advice to business clients, for example, when advising about business Lasting Powers of Attorney, succession planning, cross-option agreements and the sale of company shares during an estate administration.

Max has extensive experience as a Solicitor and his expertise includes advising clients on a wide range of matters including (but not limited to) business sales, drafting and reviewing contracts, shareholder and partnership agreements, franchises and resolving certain disputes.

Court of Protection

In addition to advising clients in relation to probate disputes, our Consultant Solicitor Simon Heapy is experienced in complex Court of Protection matters. His growing caseload includes Statutory Will applications, family care authorisation applications, retrospective authority applications and property purchase applications. Simon is on hand to sensitively and efficiently help clients to navigate the Court process.



Art exhibitions in support of Congleton charity Beartown Rickshaw

Earlier this year, we teamed up with a local art group run by Anita van Zyl to exhibit artwork at our office and raise funds for local charity Beartown Rickshaw. The charity provides rides on a passenger cart to socially isolated locals and people with limited mobility helping them to get out into the fresh air. The passengers are taken to local beauty spots including Congleton Park and Astbury Mere where they can admire the views and chat to people along the way.



We organised two separate exhibitions (one in Spring and one in Autumn) showcasing a wide array of artwork including landscapes, cityscapes and portraits which have been created by the artists in their own style using a variety of materials such as oils, acrylics, pastels and charcoal.

Supporting the community is important to our team and we couldn't think of a better way to showcase the work of talented local artists whilst also supporting a local charity. Beartown Rickshaw was the perfect choice for us as they do a fantastic job tackling social isolation by helping people with limited mobility to reap the benefits that getting out into nature has on their wellbeing. We often help clients who feel isolated and may be vulnerable for various reasons and we love the fact that Beartown Rickshaw help to support those in need.

We are pleased to announce that the amount of donations raised following our Spring exhibition was £128. Our current Autumn exhibition is on display until the end of the year. To find out more about the great work of Beartown Rickshaw, visit www.btrickshaw.uk.



Congleton Lawn Tennis Club

On 2nd April 2023, we were delighted to sponsor the Congleton Lawn Tennis Club's Chair's Trophy Tournament. It was a glorious day and we enjoyed watching some great tennis and presenting winners Jo and Matt with their vouchers for the Higher Ground Cafe Bar in Congleton.

The day of the tournament also marked the official opening of court numbers 5 and 6 by Vice President John Doe. It was also the club's first open day of the season for adults and juniors which was a great success.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sarah Bushell

Our Solicitor Sarah Bushell joined us in 2022 and she has helped to guide many clients through the probate process in addition to helping many others create their Wills and Lasting Powers of Attorney. Sarah has also played a huge part in the growth and development of the business since she joined us last year.



Charity nominations and supporting local artists in 2024

Following on from the success of our art exhibitions in support of Beartown Rickshaw, we would love to receive your nominations for a local community initiative that would benefit from our support in 2024. We are also on the lookout for local artists and art groups who would like to display their artwork as part of a temporary exhibition. Please send your nominations and artist details to Becky Spall at becky.spall@spallclark.co.uk. Alternatively, please call our office on 01260 769 639.

Wildlife saving initiative

As part of our mission to contribute to making the world a more environmentally friendly place, we have donated a portion of our savings on paper to Cheshire Wildlife Trust. The charity has a 10 year plan to restore wildlife to Cheshire including increasing tree cover across the county by planting new trees and creating new woodlands.

Our final message

For most people, the festive period is a time of joy. However, we understand that for some, it can be a time of sadness. When our office closes for Christmas at 1.00pm on Friday 22nd December 2023, we will be holding a moments reflection to remember those people that are no longer with us alongside those clients we have helped through difficult times. After the festive period, our office will reopen at 9.00am on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

To stay up to date with news and upcoming events, please visit www.spallclark.co.uk or alternatively please follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#) @SpallClark

