

Expert Planning Law advice

For more than four decades we've been working with architects and planning consultants, helping them successfully negotiate the Planning Law system.

Having a planning lawyer involved in your project ensures that important legal issues such as Section 106 and 278 Agreements are fairly negotiated and appropriately handled. We are widely regarded for the quality of advice we provide, and are a commercially-minded legal team that has the in-depth knowledge and experience needed to assist you. We specialise in all aspects of Town and Country Planning Law, and pride ourselves on delivering practical advice on a broad range of issues that architects and planning consultants are likely to face through the complex and ever-changing planning system.

For more information, contact Salvatore Amico on 0203 871 0039, salvatore.amico@attwaters.co.uk.

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Specialist legal advice there when you need it

The knowledge and expertise to make things happen

Salvatore Amico. Partner and Head of Town and Country Planning, has in-depth experience in all areas of planning covered by the Town and Country Planning Act, including planning appeals and enforcement, Section 106 and 278 Agreements, Certificates of Lawfulness and the General Permitted Development Order. Here are just some of his recent cases:

Assisting a planning consultant with a Section 106 Agreement required for an appeal

Advising and drafting the document so as to present a case which best protected the developer and would be acceptable at the appeal.

Advising an architect on an enforcement appeal

The council alleged a breach of planning in works carried out on a listed property in St John's Wood. We helped draft the appeal that ensured the correct legal arguments were advanced.

Assisting with various aspects of the Town and **Country Planning Act**

Advising on the interpretation of matters such as "commencement" and "curtilage", and on the interpretation of conditions and whether said conditions were conditions precedent. Such advice was used either to support planning applications or if a dispute arose with a Local Authority.

Advising on a Certificate of Lawfulness Application

Here, the client had occupied a building as an independent dwelling for over four years. The advice included assistance with the evidence required and the statutory declarations, a "health check" of the work done in order to ensure the correct legal tests had been satisfied, dealing with issues in relation to the case law surrounding "deception", and advice on how those cases affected the circumstances of this case.

Why choose us?

We are widely recognised for providing high-quality Planning Law advice. Salvatore Amico has been described as "excellent" by the prestigious Chambers and Partners directory; "His knowledge is wide-ranging and the thought he applies behind the work is always acute and to the point." The respected Legal 500 directory notes that the Planning department has "a wide range of experience in both plan-making and decision-taking planning cases, including planning enforcement." The team also includes Consultant Rob Jameson, whom Chambers and Partners describes as having "a wealth of experience" and "a practical approach."

So, if you'd like to find out more about us and our services, then you can contact Salvatore Amico on his direct line - 0203 871 0039 - or email him at salvatore.amico@attwaters.co.uk.

Our Planning Law services

- Flexible outsourced support whenever your planning workload demands it.
- Legal interpretation of Town and Country Planning legislation and case law.
- Legal opinions/interpretation of Planning Law in support of planning applications or appeals.
- Advice and guidance on planning appeals and enforcement notices/appeals.
- Negotiation of Section 106 and Section 278 Agreements.
- Advice on interpretation of the General Permitted Development Order.
- Community Infrastructure Levy advice both at the application stage and once permission is granted.
- Legal input and assistance in applying for Certificates of Lawfulness for existing or proposed developments.
- Support and representation if a decision goes to appeal or judicial review.
- Interpreting national and local policy.

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