

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES
AGRICULTURAL VALUERS ASSOCIATION
CONFERENCE 2022

Thursday 24th November

9.00am to 4.00pm (6 hours CPD)

To be held at Holiday Inn, Crick
& Virtually



PROGRAMME

- 8.45 Registration & Coffee
- 9.00 **Welcome from Tim Fox BSc (Hons) MRICS FAAV**
MCAVA President
- James Webster, The Andersons Centre**
Profitability of farming in the face of volatility and changing policy.
- Ben Sharples, Michelmores**
Biodiversity Net Gain.
- Tea & Coffee Break
- Mark Thomas, The Farming Community Network**
Managing through change and the importance of community in maintaining resilience.
- Lunch
- Tim Russ & Sarah Whitehurst, Roythornes**
Service of notices to joint tenants (TR) and subject to contract/ without prejudice (SW).
- Chris May & Paul Hunt, Howes Percival**
Rural Planning; maximising development potential and negotiating development agreements.
- Rebecca Collins, CAAV Secretariat**
Agreements for Electronic Communications Apparatus – Case Law update.
- Jeremy Moody, CAAV Secretariat**
Where are We Going Now? – A View from November 24th.
- 16.00 Close

James Webster, The Andersons Centre



James Webster is a Senior Agribusiness Analyst with The Andersons Centre. Since joining Andersons in 2021, he has had an active role in analysing complex policy issues, in particular the transition away from BPS towards the new environmentally led support structures. This has included determining the impact of the new Environment Land Management Scheme on Andersons' model farms.

James joined Andersons from the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (AHDB) where he spent five years analysing market developments in arable crops. James grew up on a small arable farm in Suffolk.

Ben Sharples, Michelmores



Ben is dual-qualified having practised as a rural Chartered Surveyor and valuer for five years before becoming a solicitor advising on a broad range of contentious matters including Landlord and Tenant disputes of both agricultural and residential property. He also advises farming businesses in relation to partnership disputes, rights of ways, agricultural subsidies, professional negligence and contractual disputes relating to the agricultural sector.

Ben is also well known for the advice he provides sporting businesses in respect of drafting of shooting leases and dealing with the problems arising from them. Ben leads the Michelmores Natural Capital team advising clients on issues relating to carbon sequestration, payments for environmental services and sustainability. Key clients include Environment Bank and the Forestry Commission. A keen advocate of alternative dispute resolution, Ben became a CEDR Accredited Mediator in 2018 and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in 2022.

Mark Thomas, Farming Community Network



Mark joined FCN in 2019 following a career spent working with a national agronomy company. As Head of Services, Mark's role in FCN is to ensure that FCN's volunteer groups are supported to carry out their work with their local farming communities in an effective and fulfilling way. He also has responsibility for the FCN Helpline.

Mark is a strong advocate for FCN's outreach work to help people in farming build resilience, manage stress, and fulfil their potential living and working in this amazing industry. Mark is a Nuffield Scholar and keen fly fisher.

Tim Russ, Roythornes



Tim is a senior dispute resolution lawyer specialising in agricultural law, food law, private client and property disputes. He advises on agricultural tenancies, landlord and tenant disputes, property disputes, partnership disputes, professional negligence claims, Direct Payments, quota disputes and contractual claims. Tim has handled a number of judicial reviews especially for food businesses and

farmers against the Foods Standards Agency and DEFRA. He also handles wills, probate and trust disputes both for trustees and beneficiaries including disputes under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependents) Act 1975.

Sarah Whitehurst, Roythornes



Sarah is a partner in Dispute Resolution. She has been with Roythornes since 2009. Dealing with a wide range of contentious matters and with a special interest in property litigation, Sarah focuses on landlord and tenant (residential, commercial and agricultural tenancies acting for both landlord and tenant), agricultural disputes (including Agricultural Holdings Act 1986 matters and contested succession), adverse possession, TOLATA claims, Compulsory Purchase claims

including claims against HS2, possession claims against travelers, restrictive covenant and easement issues including injunctions.

Chris May, Howes Percival



Chris advises on all aspects of town planning and development law. He has extensive experience in the coordination of development proposals, including student accommodation, motorway service areas and residential development at regeneration sites and greenfield sites, and in the preparation and negotiation of Planning Obligations. Chris also regularly advises on CPO, CIL, enforcement and EIA development. He is a legal associate of the RTPI.

Chris has acted for national house builders, leading regional developers, landowners, local authorities and interested parties.

Paul Hunt, Howes Percival



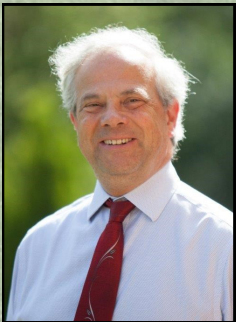
Paul has over 30 years' experience of both contentious and non-contentious planning work in the public and private sectors. Paul is dual qualified as a solicitor and barrister. He specialises in large residential and mixed use schemes but works for a range of residential developers and commercial organisations. His particular specialism is development agreements but also advises and represents clients in planning promotion, appeals and enforcement as well as high court litigation.

Rebecca Collins, CAAV Technical & Policy Advisor



Rebecca is the Technical & Policy advisor for the Central Association of Agricultural Valuers specialising in compulsory purchase and compensation, agricultural, residential and commercial tenancies, residential lettings and telecoms. Rebecca sits on the Property and Valuation and Compensation Committees and assists Jeremy Moody on a wide range of other professional matters. Rebecca formerly worked as a Senior Surveyor for Network Rail and prior to that as a Property Portfolio Manager for a private client. Rebecca is RICS qualified and a Fellow of the CAAV.

Jeremy Moody, CAAV Secretariat



Jeremy Moody has been Secretary and Adviser to the CAAV since 1995. He was closely involved with the Agricultural Tenancies Act 1995, several rounds of CAP reform and now the Brexit process. He handles the many issues covered by the CAAV across the United Kingdom including agricultural tenancy and land occupation issues, taxation, valuation and telecommunications, liaising with government at all levels and writing widely on both policy and practice.

He is an Assembly member of the European Group of Valuers' Associations (TEGoVA) and Vice Chairman of the European Valuation Standards Board.

Organisation

The Conference is organised by Midland Counties Agricultural Valuers Association (MCAVA). The MCAVA includes Leicestershire, Northamptonshire, Warwickshire and the Soke of Peterborough, and forms part of the Central Association of Agricultural Valuers as one of the 29 Local Associations across England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. Midland Counties is one of the oldest and largest local Association.

A cordial welcome is extended to all MCAVA Members and Members of other CAAV Associations as well as other professionals. Guests are also welcome, so please invite colleagues who have a particular interest in agriculture.

For more information about the CAAV and the MCAVA please visit our websites at www.caav.org.uk and www.mcava.co.uk

Chair

Tim Fox BSc (Hons) MRICS FAAV
President of the Midland Counties Agricultural Valuers Association

Secretary

MCAVA Honorary Secretary - Sophie Nott BSc (Hons) MRICS
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Midland Counties welcomes new members. Please contact:

MCAVA Membership Secretary — Laura Higson
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Travel

The Conference will be held at the Holiday Inn, M1 J18, Crick, Northampton, NN6 7XR

Convenors

Please contact the Conference Convenor at mcavaconference@gmail.com with any queries regarding the conference.

CPD

The event offers 6 hours of Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

Tickets

To purchase your ticket to attend either **in person** or **online** please follow the link :

<https://mcavaconference22.eventbrite.co.uk>

Booking for in person close on Thursday 17th November.

You can continue to book your virtual (online) ticket until the 23rd.

Cost	Standard In Person/Online
Probationer/Student	£55
MCAVA Member	£65
CAAV Fellow (Non MCAVA)	£75
Other Professional	£100

