



***We are pleased to advise of a change in our firm.*** We are merging our firm Townshend Seaton with another Blenheim law firm – Wain & Naysmith.

The new firm will be known as Wain & Naysmith Limited. The directors and business owners will be Alan Naysmith, Marty Wilson and Audrey Seaton. There will also be three other lawyers; Andrew Townshend, John Wain and Rosemary Rutherford. All our legal executives and support staff from both firms will remain with the new company.

The move is essential for us: our law practice has continued to grow, and at the same time, the trends in commercial and social law are demanding an increase in specialised knowledge. Wain & Naysmith also has changing needs and the merger will strengthen that firm as well.

In looking at this move, Andrew Townshend and Audrey Seaton wanted to join with a team of similar values and work ethic. Townshend Seaton has always believed in providing well-considered practical advice that is cost-effective. We have established a good reputation for doing that. We believe that the partners of Wain & Naysmith have the same values and reputation as our firm. This merger with them means that we retain the strengths we have built into our own practice, but also have the advantages of a larger team when we need that resource.

Importantly in all of this Andrew Townshend has returned from his temporary retirement and will be joining us as a consultant. Andrew will be available for legal advice to the new company's clients and of course for any matters directly related to existing clients. Similarly John Wain who is the other partner at Wain & Naysmith will retire from full partnership duties from October but will also be available, with Andrew, as a consultant to the practice.

The merger means Townshend Seaton will relocate to Wain & Naysmith's High Street premises on 1 October 2011. This is the distinctive historic building next to the Chateau Marlborough.

Our contact details from 1 October 2011 will be:

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We will ensure that communications to us from existing clients and new clients through our website, existing address, postal box, emails and/or fax numbers will still be received.

Any files and important documents that we are holding for existing clients will remain in our care at the new premises. Existing clients do not need to contact us about this. This includes any wills, powers of attorney, agreements, and trust deeds.

Please feel free to contact Audrey Seaton with any questions.