

CLA BENEFITS AT A GLANCE



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CLA IS YOUR ASSOCIATION

A GUIDE TO THE BENEFITS OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP
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YOUR CLA MEMBERSHIP



At the CLA we champion, protect and enhance our rural economy, environment and way of life.

Your land, property and business are valuable assets and the CLA is here to help you make the most of them. Whether you're a landowner, farmer or rural business owner – or even all three – the CLA is supporting you.

Through your CLA membership, you influence the Government's direction because we work hard to ensure decision-makers always take the needs of rural land, property and business owners into account, across pretty much every policy area.

Our national experts give you unprecedented access to the advice and knowledge you need to understand what you can and can't do with your land, how to make the most of it and how to avoid the pitfalls.

Membership also connects you with your local landowning and rural communities, providing a forum to discuss common issues, and to sell and source professional services and specialist products.

We can help cut your costs as well through selected services provided by trusted suppliers who share your values.

The CLA is the only organisation solely dedicated to promoting the interests of the rural economy, and the protection of land and property rights.

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ESSEX MEMBER



INFLUENCE

ABILITY TO INFLUENCE DECISION-MAKERS

The CLA gives you a persuasive and legitimate voice in the policy-making process, countering any arguments against landowners' rights. We influence decision-makers at national and local levels. We've been consistently successful in many areas, giving you the security, certainty and support you need.



Our aim is always to work towards policy that ensures landowners can make the most efficient and profitable use of their land, delivering security for themselves and future generations.

The CLA takes a long-term view, shaping policy thinking from concept through to significant, often fundamental, change. We make sure the interests of the rural economy are fully considered all the way through the policy-making process.

We need your input because we rely on our members' experiences and concerns to help change the law, be it overturning bad regulations, improving legislation or resisting laws that would have negative consequences for landowners.

The interests of the rural economy permeate most policy areas but we have to prioritise. Our current focus areas are:

- the need for a domestic food, farming and environmental policy;
- a fairer compulsory purchase system;
- financially viable woodland businesses;
- a simpler tax regime;
- a planning system designed for rural communities;
- new ways to fund the natural environment;
- less regulation for landlords owning rural property;
- better management of water resources;
- fast, universal broadband for rural areas; and
- policies and infrastructure to support rural and farming businesses.

Our regular emails keep you up to date with our progress on these issues. And you can find our political briefings on the website.

Get involved

CLA policy is driven by members for members. The more information you give us, the more we can represent your views. Register on the CLA website (www.cla.org.uk) and let us know your preferences and interests through the 'My CLA' section.

Make sure you have your say on the issues that affect you. That's what our surveys are for, so please do take part. You can also contact us directly or through your regional office.



"OF THE MANY ORGANISATIONS ONE JOINS, THE EXTENT OF THE WORK COVERED BY THE CLA IS CONSIDERABLE AND GREATLY APPRECIATED."
WORCESTERSHIRE MEMBER



KNOWLEDGE

INSIGHT ON ISSUES THAT AFFECT YOUR LAND AND BUSINESS

Membership of the CLA means you have access to the best information on developments covering rural issues: our wide-ranging relationships with policymakers give us, and therefore you, the inside track. Because of our unique networks, this is exclusive and often highly valuable knowledge.



The CLA's reliable, topical and timely information gives you the best knowledge.

We help you to:

- keep up to date with changes in legislation that affect you;
- protect your land, now and for future generations;
- be aware of your rights and obligations as a rural landowner;
- learn technical details relating to landownership;
- get new ideas for generating income from your land; and
- gain insight on landowning and rural business issues.

We provide information in various ways.

Monthly magazine

Land & Business has articles by CLA advisers explaining your changing rights and responsibilities, and keeping you up to date with the latest developments shaping landownership.

Informative website

We publish general advice and guidance on the website as well as information about campaigns and events near you. You can also read our research and reports.

Regular emails

Our enews mailings are an ideal way of receiving expert analysis and guidance on matters which affect you, keeping you informed of policy changes and providing analysis on relevant topics.

CLA Guidance Notes

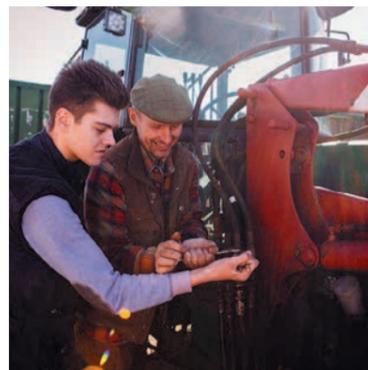
Often complex changes in legislation are made clear in CLA Guidance Notes available on the CLA website. Discover exactly what has changed, why, and what you need to do.

CLA Advisory Handbooks

Our handbooks provide cost-effective, valuable knowledge on a range of technical issues. They are available at a discount to full members and on subscription.

National Conferences

Every year, we bring together landowners, business leaders, policy experts, politicians and the media to talk about the major issues of the day. These are the best events in the calendar to learn all about the future of rural business and land management.



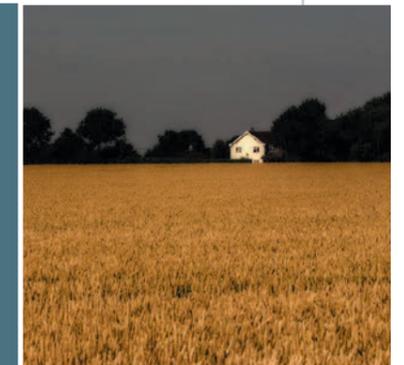
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OXFORDSHIRE MEMBER



ADVICE

EXPERT GUIDANCE TO HELP MANAGE YOUR LAND AND BUSINESS

As a member you have free, direct access to our national experts. We provide specialist advice along with practical solutions for whatever issues you are facing. Our advice is always impartial and aimed at achieving an early resolution, saving you time and money.



The CLA can help you understand the wide range of issues that may affect you – whether you own 10 acres, 100 or 10,000, and whatever the size or nature of your business.

Our specialist advice, practical support and guidance will allow you to understand your landowning rights and responsibilities and make the most of your land and property.

In-house experts

The CLA's team of lawyers, surveyors, planning and tax specialists will help you and your advisers, such as land agents, solicitors and accountants, understand the latest legal developments, establish best practice and resolve your specific issues.

Our professional advisers in London are complemented by our network of surveyors and rural advisers throughout England and Wales. Their advice can help protect the investment value of your rural land and property.

Typical member issues

- Who can explain the tax rules relating to landownership?
- What are my legal responsibilities for animals straying off my land?
- How best can I deal with the threat of compulsory purchase?
- What do I need to consider when applying for planning permission?
- When am I liable for clearing up rubbish tipped on my land?
- Where can I access grants to create a wildflower meadow?
- What rights do utility companies have to come on to my land?
- How do I stop neighbours encroaching?
- What are the legal and health and safety issues of running a shoot?
- Which terms should I include in a business contract and how do I deal with disputes for non-performance or non-payment?
- Who can explain employment law regarding dismissal and redundancy?
- What is the best way to improve the ecosystem on my land?
- Which measures do I need to consider when diversifying?

A list of topics on which the CLA's advisers offer advice to members can be found on the CLA website.



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SOMERSET MEMBER



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Professional Independent Advice. Please note that whilst the CLA advisers are able to advise on a wide range of subjects relating to landownership, they cannot act in place of a member's own solicitor, accountant, surveyor, tax specialist or planning specialist by, for example, drafting documents or corresponding on their behalf and may be precluded, by the rules of their own professions, from advising one CLA member against another CLA member in the case of conflict.

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COMMUNITY

VALUABLE CONNECTIONS TO EXTEND YOUR CONTACTS

CLA membership can help you make the most of your land, property and business – whatever the scale. We run a range of events, from social and business events to exclusive networking groups, there are partnership opportunities and ways to access rural services and suppliers, as well as potential new customers.



Your local CLA team is always on hand with practical support and local knowledge whenever you need it. And please make sure your contact details are up-to-date so you always know what's going on.



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CLA SOUTH EAST
MICHAEL VALENZIA
Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Kent, Oxfordshire, Surrey, Sussex.

CLA members own and manage over 10 million acres. This unique network of rural land and property owners offers members the chance to make valuable new contacts and be an intrinsic part of the rural community.

CLA members form a significant rural group. As part of our unique community you are able to:

- socialise with fellow landowners;
- gain access to specialist rural suppliers and services;
- raise the profile of your estate or farming business;
- make contact with potential customers and clients; and
- exchange views and share experience with those running similar enterprises in other parts of the country.

Local social events

You can meet other members from across your region at a range of in-person and online events run by your local team including AGMs, estate visits, and webinars.

Regional and national connections

As a member, you can tap into local knowledge and share ideas and best practice with others from around the country to help you succeed with your own projects.

Networking potential

Our extensive network offers landowners the ability to meet professionals who understand the rural way of life. Similarly, it enables rural professionals to come together to explore opportunities for new business.

Rural business contacts

Membership gives you the opportunity to raise your profile with the people who can make your enterprise a success – potential customers, clients, services and suppliers.

CLA Business Directory

Use this directory of CLA member businesses to help find the specialist rural suppliers and services you need. It is updated annually and sent to all CLA members as well as being on the CLA website.

Advertising options

CLA publications provide a variety of ways for you to promote your products and services directly to CLA members.

London venue

You can use the CLA's head office in central London for business meetings and social functions, within the Government guidelines for gatherings.

CLA London Branch

The CLA London Branch is ideal for members who have strong rural connections but spend a good deal of their time in London. Its members have the opportunity to meet socially, exchange views and share experience with others involved in rural matters, in particular with those from outside their own geographic or business area.

Partnership opportunities

Membership allows you to raise your profile amongst a rural audience by taking part in national conferences and seminars, as well as member only events.



"THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE AND PATIENCE AND FOR THE QUALITY TIME AND ENCOURAGEMENT I FELT YOU GAVE TO ME."
WALES MEMBER



CLA members' passion for rural life and the countryside led them to found the CLA Charitable Trust in 1980.

Since its creation, the Trust has made a real difference to many lives, giving more than £2m in grants to a wide variety of projects.

By getting involved, you can help those who are disabled or disadvantaged to benefit from education about the countryside, and to take part in countryside activities in a way which most people can take for granted.

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MEMBER SERVICES

SUPPORT FROM PROVIDERS WHO UNDERSTAND YOUR NEEDS

As a CLA member, you have access to services specially negotiated with carefully selected providers who understand members' needs and share CLA's values. These additional services complement your membership and are relevant to your land, property and business interests.



CLA Member Services can help you protect your land and property, save money on health insurance and secure the best business rates on energy. For further details please contact the relevant member service partner as detailed on the opposite page or email the CLA directly (memberservices@cla.org.uk).

Insurance for you and the rural community

CLA Insurance policies are tailored to your individual needs and cover a range of risks including residential and agricultural buildings, contents (including fine art, antiques and valuables), motor (including agricultural fleets), legal expenses, trustee indemnity and engineering risks.

Contact CLA Insurance advisers with a summary of your requirements and make sure to provide your renewal dates too so that they can call you nearer the time to help you with your insurance needs. CLA Insurance is a unique partnership between the CLA and A-Plan Holdings.



A healthcare package to meet your needs

With CLA Healthcare you can be confident that you have the best healthcare in place for you, your family and your employees. Benefit from free advice on healthcare options and expert negotiation on health insurance packages. CLA Healthcare is a specialist service provided in conjunction with Howden Employee Benefits and Wellbeing Limited.



Expert energy advice

CLA Energy Services – provided by LSI Energy, part of Inspired Energy Plc – can help you reduce your business expenditure on electricity, gas and water. Contact CLA Energy Services for a free initial assessment of your needs and find out how you can reduce your costs further by joining the CLA Energy Club.



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YORKSHIRE MEMBER

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CLA Business Directory (print and online) – For listings and display advertising rates contact Redactive Media Group.
T: 020 7324 2774 E: cla@redactive.co.uk

CLA Diary – For advertising rates contact Lansdowne Publishing Partnership Ltd.
T: 0161 872 6667 E: sales@lansdownepublishing.com

ADVISORY HANDBOOKS

CLA Advisory Handbooks are listed on the CLA website. To buy copies call the London office (please have your membership number and credit card details to hand).
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CLA CHARITABLE TRUST (Registered Charity No. 280264)

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CLA MEMBER SERVICES

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CLA Energy Services

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ENEWS MAILINGS

To receive enews provide your email address to your local office. See "Local Offices" below.

GUIDANCE NOTES

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LAND & BUSINESS MAGAZINE

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