

Stages for Declarations of Trust

1. You make an appointment to see the Solicitor
2. You provide the Solicitor with the terms of the Declaration of Trust. He will guide you through the options to achieve your desired result and let you know the costs involved. You bring your passport or photo driving licence and a recent utility bill or bank statement for your ID for copying. If you are already instructing Hargreaves Gilman in relation to your conveyancing transaction this will not be necessary as your identification will have been verified by them
3. The Solicitor will send you either by email or through the post a draft of the Declaration together with our letter of engagement and terms of business
4. Once you have approved the draft Declaration the Solicitor will make arrangements for you to sign the original. You can come into the office and either the Solicitor or receptionist can witness your signatures or you can arrange to sign in the presence of your own independent witnesses. If the Declaration is recording the unequal contribution by you to the purchase price or in respect of an ongoing transaction it may be possible to time the signing of the original to coincide with a visit to see Peter Westwell so he can witness your signatures at the same time as he explains the Contract, Mortgage, Searches etc to you
5. The Declaration will be dated the day of completion of your purchase and you will be provided with copies for your records. The original can be stored free of charge. If you sell that property the net sale proceeds will then be distributed in accordance with the terms of the Declaration and the Declaration will become null and void. There will be no need for us to continue to store the same. We can act for you in the eventual sale of the property

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