

Emerald Law

Clarity, Assurity, Quality



# Family Law Fee Options



# FAMILY FEE OPTIONS

**Legal Advice Costs Money – We are different. So are our legal fees.**

We recognise that sometimes you feel like you are funding a set of circumstances that you may have never chosen to be in.

At Emerald we want to make sure that you can navigate those circumstances with the best quality of advice, without compromise and do it your way. We offer fee options to meet every level of need.

With highly qualified solicitors, we focus on family-first advice. Head of Family Law, Angie Brown brings over 20 years of experience to the table, taking a unique approach to make this journey a bit smoother for you.

There's no hidden costs. Our services are transparent, and we explain everything in plain English – no legal jargon.

## CHOOSE YOUR PLAN

Premium



Essential



# COMPARING THE FEE OPTIONS

Plan	Premium	Essential
Type	Pay As You Go	"Your Plan" Fixed Fee Solutions
What do you get?	Hourly Rate Seamless Service	Modular Fee Structure through bespoke individually designed Fee Plan
When are you billed?	Monthly	Per module
When do you pay?	On receipt of bill	At the Start of each Module
Service Level	Professional & Personalised – seamless	Professional & Personalised Modular
Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ No hidden fees or extra charges</li> <li>➤ Allocated professional experienced Lawyer</li> <li>➤ Full weight of experienced Family Team</li> <li>➤ Personal client account</li> <li>➤ Enables you to budget ahead for your services</li> <li>➤ Regular monthly itemised billing</li> <li>➤ Seamless service</li> <li>➤ Flexibility to change plans</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ No hidden fees or extra charges</li> <li>➤ Allocated professional experienced Lawyer</li> <li>➤ Full weight of experienced Family Team</li> <li>➤ Personal client account budgeting options via client account</li> <li>➤ Transparent Modular Billing</li> <li>➤ Certainty of costs for every element of work</li> <li>➤ Flexibility to change</li> <li>➤ Tailor-made individual price plan</li> <li>➤ Flexibility to add new modules</li> <li>➤ Affordable essential level plan</li> <li>➤ Puts you in control of your budget</li> </ul>

# PREMIUM

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## “PAY AS YOU GO” FEE OPTION

This is the most common form of fee payment solicitors’ offer and has been a standard practice of most solicitors for many years. Costs are charged based upon the hourly rate of your Solicitor. The total costs depend overall therefore on how much work you instruct your solicitor to do for you. The more work, the more it will cost.

## THE BENEFITS

- ▶ We charge on a PAYG basis each month
- ▶ We will send you a bill every month for the work completed that month and you have to pay as you progress your case on a month-by-month basis.
- ▶ We can provide you with a fully itemised monthly breakdown of your costs.
- ▶ To help you manage your account, we will allocate you a personal client account. This can then be used to pay money into to help you budget ahead of time so those funds can then be used to offset your monthly bills. We recommend this to help you keep on top of your costs.
- ▶ We will help you manage this account and give you indications of the sort of funds to pay into your account to try and help you budget for your costs as your case progresses.
- ▶ We can offer you a standing order option to work alongside your monthly billing to help you continue to budget plan for your legal costs.
- ▶ What you see, is what you get! You are literally charged for the time spent on your case. There are no hidden charges.
- ▶ We will set out a full estimate of our costs at the outset of your case and review this and update you every 6 months or at key stages of your case, including upon request.
- ▶ You have a fully professional and personalised service throughout your case from start to finish, with an allocated Family Solicitor throughout the entirety of your case and the full weight of our highly experienced team behind you.


# ESSENTIAL



## OUR “ESSENTIALS” OPTIONS

Our Essential Fees are designed to offer you a unique product that will enable you to choose your legal costs based upon only the necessary and essential components of your case. It offers a more essential service-based package, recognising the current financial climate and a world where legal costs may not have been something you had envisaged on the horizon. Fear not, this is not a purely web-based or online based, or in any way diluted experience! We still ensure a fully professional individual and face to face service, but taking a more matter of fact ‘no frills’ approach to help you to keep your costs down.

## THE BENEFITS

- ▶ Our ‘essentials’ service enables our experienced solicitors to tailor-make a bespoke price plan in accordance with your specific needs and enables you, the client, to meet those costs on a modular basis, as each module (or chosen element of your plan) becomes necessary.
  - ▶ At the start of your case, your Solicitor individually designs your plan for you and reviews it with you as your case progresses
  - ▶ All modules are ‘bolt-on’ and your plan can be amended should your needs change.
  - ▶ With the fees for each module being fixed, you have the complete certainty of your legal costs.
  - ▶ Each module is extremely clear and states what work will and won’t be done for that fixed price. Your solicitor will communicate with you throughout helping to keep you within the parameters of your agreed price plan and to keep your costs manageable and easy to navigate.
  - ▶ But don’t fear, should you need the flexibility to progress onto a more premium service, we can simply and easily upgrade your plan onto our hourly rate service, for those who feel that they need a little more beyond the essential service level.
  - ▶ The flexibility we offer means that we can do this at any stage within your case, based upon your individual needs and requirements.
  - ▶ With our variety of Fixed Fee Packages starting from just £100 +vat for our Mediation Services and £150 + vat for our Legal Services, you can relax knowing you can still have a fully professional and personal service with the full weight of our team of Highly Experienced and professional team of Solicitors and Mediators behind you.
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A neutral mediator helps parties reach agreements.



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