



Holding space for life's most meaningful moments

LOOKING A LITTLE FURTHER AHEAD

A simple guide to planning with care

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After a wedding, most of the focus is on what comes next.

The celebration.

The photos.

The settling into everyday life.

But there is another conversation that often gets put aside.

Not because it isn't important.

But because it can feel uncomfortable.

WHY THIS MATTERS

Marriage changes more than just your relationship.

It can affect:

- how your assets are handled
- who makes decisions if something happens
- and how things are managed for the people you care about

Without clear direction, these decisions are left to default processes.

And they don't always reflect what you would have wanted.

A SIMPLE PLACE TO START

This doesn't need to be complicated.

It simply means taking a moment to think about:

- Do you have a current Will?
- Does it reflect your situation now that you are married?
- Who would you trust to make decisions on your behalf?

For many couples, this is the first time these questions are considered.

WHAT MOST COUPLES DO

A common approach is to create what are often called "mirror Wills".

This usually means:

- each partner leaves their estate to the other
- and nominates what happens if both were to pass

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It's simple, and for many, it's enough.

WHEN TO SEEK ADVICE

If your situation is more complex, it's worth speaking with a solicitor.

This might include:

- children from previous relationships
- shared or separate assets
- business or trust arrangements

Getting it right now can avoid complications later.

A FINAL NOTE

This isn't about expecting the worst.

It's about making things easier for the people you care about.

Something small now can make a significant difference later.

And like everything else, it can be done in your own time.