



Memorandum of Understanding

Parties

The Council for Licensed Conveyancers (CLC)
Property Information Systems Common Exchange Standard (PISCES)

Introduction

1. The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to establish and thereafter maintain a line of communication between the CLC and PISCES to facilitate the development of an electronic industry standard and the distribution of information to Licensed Conveyancers relating to electronic business standards within the conveyancing industry.

Functions of CLC and PISCES

2. The CLC is the regulatory statutory body for the profession of Licensed Conveyancers in England and Wales.
3. PISCES develops e-commerce standards for the exchange of property-related data. PISCES members have established an independent non-profit organisation to deliver an industry standard for property related e-commerce data exchanges.

Working together

4. Both the CLC and PISCES recognise the importance of improving the land and property information business processes in England and Wales and believe that there is a mutual interest in working together, and with others, towards achieving an open electronic industry standard which will enable all participants in the conveyancing process to communicate efficiently and effectively.
5. The CLC will use its expertise and experience to assist PISCES in developing a technology standard that is beneficial to Licensed Conveyancers and other parties involved in the conveyancing process.
6. Both parties will work together:-
 - 6.1 to foster a strong and continuing relationship better to serve Licensed Conveyancers along with other parties in the conveyancing process;



- 6.2 to ensure that effective communication and co-ordination mechanisms are in place to facilitate working jointly towards the development of new standards and schema;
- 6.3 to utilise the strengths, knowledge and experience of each organisation to seek to deliver an industry standard for property related e-commerce data exchanges which offers real benefits to Licensed Conveyancers, property owners and other stakeholders.
7. Both parties agree to listen to the feedback from Licensed Conveyancers, members of PISCES and other interested parties to enable informed decisions to be made.

Review of Memorandum of Understanding

8. This Memorandum will be reviewed annually to ensure that we are maximising our opportunities for mutual collaboration and understanding.

Dated: 27 November 2006

Signed by Alistair Guthrie as the Chairman of the CLC

Signed by Roger de Boehmler, Director General, PISCES