

What is Lasting Power of Attorney?

The concept of 'next of kin' does not give people the legal authority to make decisions for their love ones. A Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) is a legal tool where you can give someone the legal authority to make certain decisions for you, if you become unable to make them yourself.

Property and Affairs LPA



If there comes a time when you can't manage your finances anymore, the person you appoint as your attorney will be able to do this for you. This can include paying your bills, collecting your income and benefits, or selling your house.

Health and Welfare LPA



A health and welfare attorney could make decisions about where you live, medical treatment, or your day-to-day care, including your diet and what you wear, if there comes a time when you are unable to make these decisions for yourself.

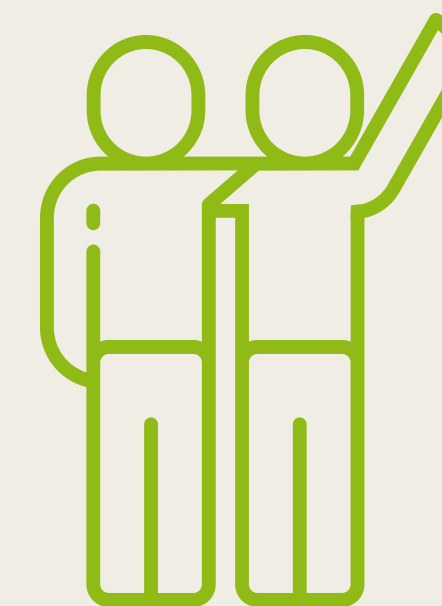
What are the benefits of making an LPA?



Starting a conversation about what you want to happen in the future



Ensuring that the person you want to make decisions for you will be able to do so, legally



Making an LPA now will make things easier for your family and friends in future

LPA's must be registered with the Office of the Public Guardian. For more information visit www.gov.uk/power-of-attorney

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