

BERWINS LLP

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COVETED ACCOLADES FOR BERWINS IN TOP LAW DIRECTORY

Two solicitors at Harrogate law firm Berwins have been ranked as top lawyers for their individual expertise in three specialties by one of the UK's most prestigious legal directories.

Chambers Directory has established a reputation for its in-depth research when compiling its rankings which is based on interviews with lawyers and their clients. No one, it says, can 'buy their way in'.

Berwins managing partner Paul Berwin, who founded the firm in 1993 and has been the driving force in making it one of the largest practices in North Yorkshire, is singled out for both his expertise in Information Technology law and Intellectual Property.

He is described in the directory as having an "impressive understanding" of IT and is "very pragmatic in his take on things". The Directory adds: "Paul Berwin has excellent IT knowledge and advises on many non-contentious IT and IP matters, including software licensing and trade marks."

Rachel Dunlop, who heads the firm's Commercial Property department, makes her debut in the Directory and is described as having a "keen eye for detail and the ability to prioritise requirements" and best serve clients' needs. She specialises in complex development matters and recently advised Harrogate Railway on granting options for development of unused parts of its land.

"Recognition of our work and expertise in such a highly respected Directory is a significant accolade for the firm as a whole, particularly when clients have had an input into the compilation of these entries," said Mr Berwin. "What is equally gratifying is that Berwins is the only Harrogate and district firm of solicitors ranked in the directory for those three specialties."

Recognition in Chambers Directory comes within weeks of Berwins being recommended in the internationally renowned Legal 500 for its "extensive understanding of the software industry" within the remit of intellectual property and information technology, as well as for its work in commercial property, family law and wills tax and probate. Ends