

## ARBRIX TO HOST RENT REVIEW ARBITRATION CONFERENCE AT LANCASTER LONDON

Arbrix, the property industry association for experts in arbitration and dispute resolution, is to hold its *Open Conference on Rent Review Arbitration and Independent Expert Determinations* on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November at the Lancaster London hotel on Lancaster Terrace, Hyde Park, W2 2TW.

Geoffrey Wright, treasurer of Arbrix and a partner of niche central London property adviser E A Shaw, will be speaking at the conference about "*How to lose an arbitration or expert determination*".

Other speakers include Lesley Webber OBE of law firm Field Fisher Waterhouse, who will be speaking on the subject of "*Accountants, pedestrians and divorce – ten cases that changed rent review forever*", and Nicholas Dowding QC of Falcon Chambers "*Inducements, rent free periods and fitting out - a legal perspective*"

Geoffrey Wright comments: "Now more than ever, rent review arbitration and independent expert determinations are of vital importance to both landlords and tenants alike.

I will be talking about the pitfalls that are commonly encountered and the often-made mistakes that can deeply disadvantage one party and prejudice the outcome of an arbitration and or independent expert determination; potentially an embarrassing but deeply relevant anecdotal paper."

The event will start at 9:00 on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November at Lancaster London hotel, finishing at 17:30. Parties interested in attending should contact Stephen Downham of Hughes Ellard on 01329 220033 or via [sdownham@hughesellard.com](mailto:sdownham@hughesellard.com).

Geoffrey Wright continues: "The strength of Arbrix lies in the number of members it has, currently around 700, and the vast expertise, knowledge and experience these people hold. Terry Corns Arbrix chairman says

"The *Open Conference on Rent Review Arbitration and Independent Expert Determinations* will be a fantastic opportunity for attendees to tap into the breadth of the members' experience and discuss further the issues that are facing a discipline that has changed beyond recognition since Arbrix was founded."

Arbrix was established in 1985 to provide a forum for experts to discuss current problems and experiences relating to arbitrations and dispute resolution and to form associations with other similar groups.

Its membership consists of chartered surveyors who have attended special training courses arranged by the RICS for arbitrators or independent experts, as well as other judicial or quasi-judicial appointees for the resolution of disputes and those on the Lord Chancellor's Panel for agricultural cases.