## Separate well with one lawyer – finalising your agreement

#### **Reaching an agreement:**

You and your ex partner reach a financial agreement either together, or with a mediator, and send it to us.

#### First individual meetings:

You and your ex partner each meet separately with your solicitor to discuss your situation.

We will discuss with each of you separately whether the separate well with one lawyer process is right for you and your family, before you sign an agreement to proceed.

Packages 2 & 3

Package 1

#### **Drafting documents:**

We will draft the necessary documents and send them to you. These will usually comprise a draft financial consent order and a summary of your finances.

#### First joint meeting:

You, your ex partner and your solicitor meet jointly to finalise the details of the agreement, review your financial information, agree the terms of any instruction of a PODE\* if needed and for your solicitor to give you legal advice.

#### Meeting to discuss the arrangements for your children:

Reducing conflict is particularly important if you have children. We will help you to agree a parenting plan.

### Packages 1 & 2

#### Finalising the documents:

We will exchange emails with you to finalise the documents for you to sign.

#### **Final steps:**

You sign the documents and we will then send them to the court to be approved by a judge.

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Package 3

#### Final joint meeting:

We will discuss any remaining issues including the PODE report and finalise the documents ready for you to sign.

#### 14 day cooling off period:

Before you sign the documents.

#### Implementation:

We can help you with implementing the agreement if required and will confirm the costs that will be involved.

\* A PODE is a pensions on divorce expert, who advises on what % pension share is required.