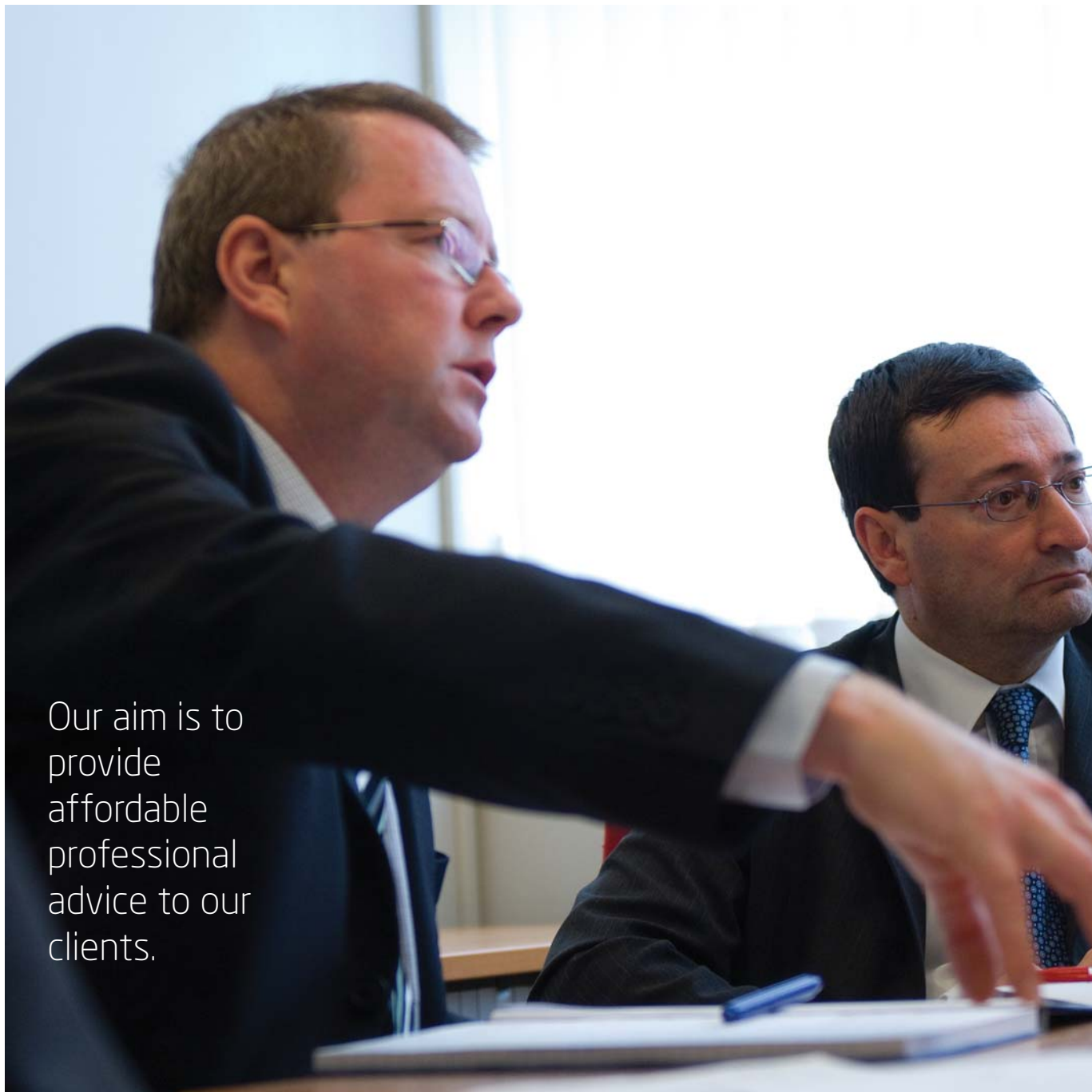




Knowsley Solutions

Improving People's Lives





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Welcome to Knowsley Solutions

We are a consultancy service launched by Knowsley Council in 2009.

Our aim is to provide affordable, professional advisory services to clients, with specific focus on key projects and transformation initiatives.

Our range of services offer best value for money for our clients. In the current economic climate, there are significant challenges facing the public sector. It is, therefore, more important than ever to ensure maximum value for money in procuring high quality services at affordable prices.

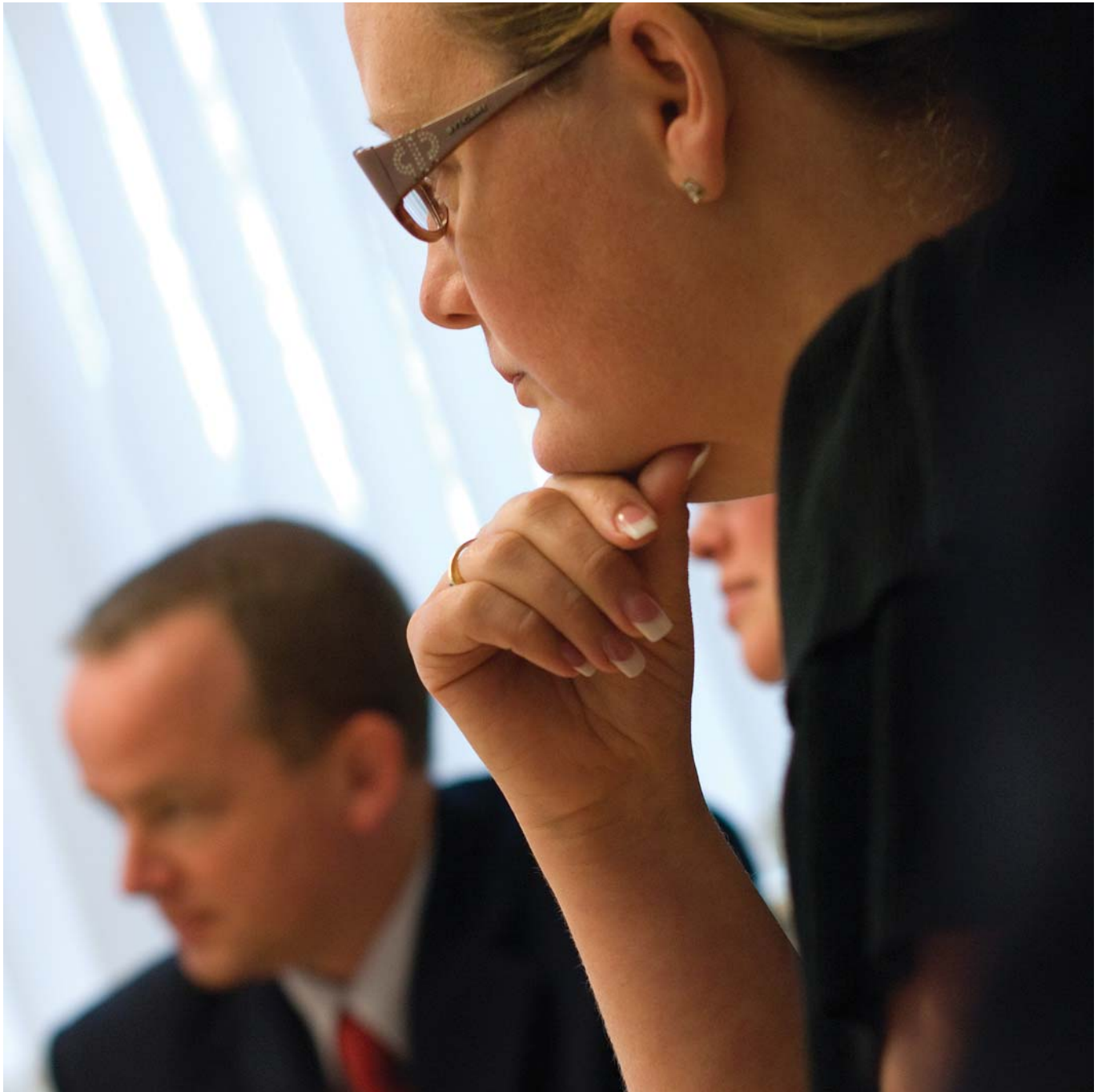
What We Do

Knowsley Solutions supports the continuing drive to improve its clients' efficiency and effectiveness.

The team provides advice and support on a range of issues, including:

- Finance
- Legal
- Information Technology
- Human Resources
- Procurement
- Programme and Project Management
- Computer Audit

Our long-term vision is to develop Knowsley Solutions to move towards greater collaborative working and sharing of services with partners.



Why Use Knowsley Solutions

Our team has a wealth of public sector experience. We will understand your business needs and develop appropriate solutions to your challenges.

We have a multi-disciplinary team, with staff from different professional backgrounds providing a comprehensive advisory service to our clients.

Knowsley Solutions can reduce the dependency on the use of external consultants. As well as developing the skills, knowledge and experience of our staff, we can provide financial savings for our clients.

Meet the Team

Knowsley Solutions is currently a team of 13 Business Advisors led by Anthony Quail.

Utilising a wide range of skills, knowledge and experience, the team aims to provide a first class consultancy and advisory service.

In addition to the immediate team, Knowsley Solutions can also access a wide range of other types of expertise where appropriate.



Anthony Quail

(MA, CPFA)
Head of Knowsley Solutions



Tony has worked in local government since 1987.

His previous role was as Deputy Borough Treasurer, during which period maximum assessment scores for Use of Resources were achieved. He also helped to deliver balanced budgets in difficult financial times with almost £20m savings in the last three years.

Tony's current role also includes being Chair of the Merseyside Procurement Collaboration Board and he is involved in progressing the shared services agenda for the sub-region. Tony has also acted as a lead finance and resource advisor on a wide range of project boards, including various partnerships.

"This is the most exciting challenge of my career to date and I look forward to developing Knowsley Solutions into a successful brand which helps its clients achieve their aims and objectives. We are looking to develop a range of low cost professional advisory services that offer the best value for money."

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Stephen Mann

(CPFA, BA [Hons], ACFM)
Business Advisor



Stephen has worked in local government since 1997 and qualified as a CIPFA Accountant in 2002.

Stephen provides strategic advice and support on a wide range of projects, including PFI Street Lighting, Local Government Finance Strategy and consultation exercises. He has also been instrumental in developing an efficiency model for budget setting.

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Sam Worsfold

(ACMA/BA)
Business Advisor



Sam is a qualified Chartered Management Accountant and has been working in local government since 1997.

She has worked on projects across Local Authority Services and has recently completed a research piece of work for the Merseyside City Region on shared services. She provides support to a range of Health and Social care projects and is currently working on job evaluation.

Sam also has extensive knowledge of commissioning and procurement of services, pension implications on major projects, charging policy, business case preparation, contract evaluation and use of resources.

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Nigel Fagan

(LL.B [Hons])
Business Advisor



A qualified solicitor since 1989, Nigel has worked in local government since 1995.

Nigel's specialist areas include commercial and strategic projects, procurement arrangements, commercial contracts and general corporate issues. He has played a key role in a number of major projects including the regeneration of Kirkby Town Centre, Halewood and Stockbridge Villages, street lighting PFI scheme and development schemes.

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Berni Mannix

(CIPD)
Business Advisor



Berni is a member of the Chartered Institute of Personnel Development and has worked in local government for over 30 years.

She is qualified in the development and evaluation of assessment centre exercises and leads on the recruitment of senior council officers and senior police officers. Berni is also a qualified mediator, coach and Investors in People reviewer and plays a role in industrial relations issues, appeals committees and employment tribunals. She also has extensive experience of Human Resources and Organisational Development issues; such as policy development and implementation and supports the organisation on high level service reviews.

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Jayne Leather

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Business Advisor



Jayne is a graduate of the Institute of Personnel Development and has worked in local government since 1988.

She is qualified in the development and validation of psychometric testing and assessment centres and is a qualified mediator, coach and Investors in People reviewer. Jayne also has extensive experience of Human Resources and Organisational Development issues, such as: policy development and implementation; advising and presenting at appeals committees and employment tribunals; and supporting the organisation on high level industrial relations issues and workforce planning initiatives.

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Kevin Morgan

Business Advisor



Kevin has worked in local government since 1998 after more than 20 years in the civil service.

He has extensive experience in a range of IT disciplines, including systems analysis and design through to technical support and service management and more recently internal IT account management. Kevin has been involved in the ICT design for the Building Schools for the Future programme and the enhancement of the local authority security arrangements.

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Barry Lucas

(CPFA)
Business Advisor



A qualified Chartered Public Finance Accountant, Barry has worked in local government finance since 1978.

Barry has a wide range of experience in providing strategic advice and support on corporate issues, projects and programmes. This currently includes providing financial analysis, appraisal and interpretation to support programmes involving housing led regeneration, transport, the redevelopment of Stockbridge Village and reviewing local authority land and property use.

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Lynn Anders

(ACCA)
Business Advisor



After spending 20 years in private sector finance and management, Lynn has worked in local government since 2002.

She provides advice to the Merseyside City Region on employment strategy and environmental services. Lynn specialises in advising the 3rd Sector and has also helped to develop an efficiency model to generate savings.

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Paul McNamara

(CPFA)
Business Advisor



Paul has worked in local government since 1981 and qualified as a CIPFA accountant in 1994.

He provides strategic advice and support on a range of corporate issues with particular emphasis on children and family services. Paul has been involved in key projects including the Building Schools for the Future programme, Primary Capital Programme and SEN Project and a post-16 Sixth Form College.

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Stephen Morrison

(BSc (Hons), CPFA)
Business Advisor



Stephen's career in local government finance began in 1980 as a trainee accountant.

He has extensive experience in auditing, financial services and corporate counter fraud. Stephen has worked on projects which call on his skills and experience in corporate governance, service and efficiency reviews, fraud and special investigations, computerised financial information and budgetary systems, use of resource inspections and resource lobbying.

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Julia Wentlandova

(BA [Hons])
Business Advisor



Julia has worked in the public sector since 2002 and in local government since 2006.

She is a qualified solicitor and specialises in property, contract and procurement law. Amongst other projects, Julia has worked in PFI, regeneration, governance and grant funding.

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Sophie Elliott

(LL.B [Hons])
Business Advisor



Sophie has worked in the public sector since 2005 and in local government since 2007.

Her areas of practice include planning law, commercial property and contract and procurement work. Sophie has led all legal aspects of a local authority public inquiry, including advocacy and, amongst other projects, has worked on the regeneration of Kirkby town centre and Street Lighting PFI.

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Sue Williamson

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Business Advisor



Sue has worked in local government for more than 20 years.

Her current role has been supporting the Building Schools for the Future programme. Sue also has extensive experience of housing and regeneration initiatives.

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Jeanette Hesketh

Business Support Officer



Jeanette has worked in local government since 1994.

She supports the team's administration and is key to developing business processes for Knowsley Solutions. Jeanette has a strong background in Customer Services and Human Resources.

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Key Projects

The Knowsley Solutions team is contributing to a range of key projects across Knowsley Council. They include:

- The redevelopment of Stockbridge Village
- Regenerating Kirkby Town Centre
- The Future Schooling in Knowsley programme
- Street Lighting PFI
- The Leisure Facilities Strategy
- City Employment Strategy
- Developing the borough's third sector
- Waste management agenda
- Various service reviews



Useful Contacts

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