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Check your surveyor's credentials

Before charities become legally committed to any sale or lease of land or grant rights over it they must, with few exceptions, get a full report from a qualified surveyor. Usually that will be professional member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. From this week, a member of the RICS cannot do a 'Red Book' valuation unless registered with the RICS under its Valuer Registration Scheme. So charities should make sure that their surveyor does belong to the Scheme. It is expected that, in the next review of charity law, estate agents will be added to the list of those who can give these reports, but that will not be until next year at the earliest.

Further advice

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