

Agriculture & Wright Vigar



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As an accountancy firm based in Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire, Wright Vigar has built up a large portfolio of farming clients of all sizes. Farming is very much a specialist sector, and the experience gained over a considerable number of years means that Wright Vigar can offer specialist advice to meet the challenges facing the farming industry today. Wright Vigar can also deal with landed estates and allied trades.

Many of the team have farming connections themselves, and this gives them a thorough understanding of the viewpoint of the farmer. Considerable links have been also been built up with other agricultural professionals and so you will receive a complete service, whatever your particular needs. Team members are also members of the Chartered Accountants Farming Group, Tenant Farmers Association and County Landowners Association.

As well as the statutory needs of preparing your accounts and tax, some of the additional areas where Wright Vigar can also help are:



- **Management accounts.** As a commodity price driven business it is vital to be aware of prices and costs, and the effect they have on the business. We will help you to understand the accounts and suggest possible improvements to the process.

- **Financing.** Farming is capital intensive, so it is vital to get the funding right, particularly when dealing with land purchases and sales.

- **Diversification.** This is a vital area to consider, but what are the business and tax implications of potential ventures or new business structures?

- **Succession issues.** How to pass on the business to the next generation in the most effective and tax advantageous way.

- **Tax planning.** There is always changing tax legislation, but there are also many specialist tax rules which also have to be considered.

- **VAT.** This is an area which can easily be overlooked and yet mistakes can be costly.

Pete Harrison - Director

Pete grew up and worked on an arable farm in Northamptonshire. He joined Wright Vigar in 1994 and qualified in 1997. Throughout his time with the firm Pete has worked with a diverse range of farming and agricultural clients from smallholdings to large estates. He feels that his experience and understanding of the industry enables him to provide bespoke advice to maximise opportunities when working alongside his clients.

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Neil Roberts - Director

Neil joined Wright Vigar in 1991 after a period working for the Ministry of Agriculture. As a general practitioner Neil has extensive experience of working with large and small private and family run businesses. His particular specialisms are in farming, property and construction, offering practical commercial advice and helping clients to interpret financial and taxation issues. With fluctuating farm profits and large capital requirements, planning ahead in agriculture is important. Neil helps his clients protect cashflow and grow the business by making best use of management accounts, available tax reliefs, capital allowances and farmers averaging.

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James Sewell - Director

James is Lincolnshire born and bred, and after spending four years at Leeds Metropolitan University he returned to his home county and joined a Top 50 accountancy practice in 2002. James qualified as a Chartered Accountant and Chartered Tax Adviser in 2005 and joined Wright Vigar in 2007.

James manages a large portfolio of clients within the farming and agricultural sector and he particularly enjoys working closely with family owned businesses on key issues such as succession planning. James likes nothing more than identifying innovative ways in which his clients can pay less tax!

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Kevin Shaw - Director

Kevin joined Wright Vigar in 2008, having trained and qualified as a Chartered Accountant with a top 10 firm in the Lincolnshire area. Kevin's specialties focus around working with medium and large owner-managed businesses, ranging across many industries, and he has vast experience of working within the construction and property development sectors. Kevin's expertise in this area means he is ideally suited to advising clients on topics such as raising finance for property or land purchases and possible diversification ventures.

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Chris Roberson - Senior Business Services Manager

Born into a Nottinghamshire farming family, Chris has worked within rural accounting practice for 25 years gaining a good sound all round accounting and taxation knowledge. Chris joined Wright Vigar in 2007 and is based at the Retford office. Chris deals with a large portfolio of farming and agricultural related businesses and believes firmly in a hands on personal approach working closely with all his clients.

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Louise Johnson - Tax Manager

Louise joined Wright Vigar in 2007 and is based at the Retford office. Louise has a wealth of experience in all matters of tax planning including inheritance tax, estate planning, succession and retirement planning and wealth management.

Louise works closely with a number of our agricultural clients and enjoys the diverse skills that are required to service this important sector.

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