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BIOGRAPHY

Victoria leads BCLP's real estate knowledge team, bringing deep transactional experience and a passion for legal innovation. She combines strategic insight with a collaborative approach to help develop and deliver cutting-edge, award winning solutions across the practice. Victoria is a regular contributor to industry thought leadership and also plays a key role in shaping the firm's ESG and legal tech initiatives.

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The UK Government's Commonhold White Paper, published on 3 March 2025, commits to making commonhold the default tenure for flats in England and Wales. A reboot of the commonhold legal framework originally introduced in 2002, this new regime (which we refer to as Commonhold 2.0 in this insight) draws on 182 proposals in the Law Commission's 2020 report. In this insight we discuss the key commercial takeaways.

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Government response to Grenfell Phase 2 report – an overview

The government has published its Response to the Grenfell Tower Inquiry's Phase 2 report. This Insight takes a closer look at the Response focusing on some of the major reforms the government plans to make (for the full detail of the reforms, please refer to the Response) and the timeframes for such actions.

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The UK government has launched a consultation to reform the Energy Performance of Buildings (EPB) regime, a crucial step towards achieving the nation's ambitious net-zero targets by 2050. This extensive consultation, which runs until 26 February 2025, seeks to gather input on several key areas of the EPB framework. Here, we delve into the background leading up to this consultation, the key areas being consulted on, and likely next steps.

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The decarbonisation of the built environment is likely to be on the UK Government's agenda as it looks to make good on its commitment at COP29 to cut carbon emissions by 81% from 1990s level by 2035. How will this be achieved? Will Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards play a part, will we see more green leases or more building accreditations and is the UN's Building Breakthrough initiative beginning to make a substantive difference?

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The High Street is feeling the love... or is it?

It's "Love your High Street Week"! So, what better way to start the week than to consider two significant legal reforms announced by the government last week, that are intended to boost and revitalise the High Street: Legislation was introduced to Parliament that will, for the first time, permanently cut business rates for qualifying retail, hospitality and leisure (RHL) properties from 2026 (and in the meantime, 250,000 RHL properties will receive 40% relief off business rates bills up to £110,000 per business to help smooth the transition to the new system); and High Street Rental Auctions powers will come into force on 2 December following the laying of secondary legislation last week, that will give businesses and community groups a 'right to rent' long-neglected town-centre commercial properties.