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Simon Dixon Smith provides valuation agency and property advice in the rural sector. He specialises in tax and expert valuations and the resolution of negotiations between parties, including the provision of Expert Witness services.

Simon has provided advice on many estates throughout East Anglia. He also acts for corporate and institutional landowners and is regularly brought in by executors on complex probate issues.

He acts for sellers and buyers of rural property.

Recent projects include:

- Tax valuations and negotiations with HMRC and District Valuers on landed estates in Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Northamptonshire, Suffolk and Essex.
- Acting for Anglian Water in the purchase of land required for compensatory habitat at Rutland Water.
- Providing strategic advice on a landed estate in Norfolk.
- Expert Witness reports in a number of matrimonial disputes.
- Negotiation on the division of a family farming estate.
- Negotiation of access agreements for a wind farm development.
- Acting for the purchaser of an agricultural estate in Essex

Simon was brought up in an Essex farming family and joined Savills in Banbury in 1990 following completion of a degree in agriculture. He qualified as a Chartered Surveyor in 1994 and was appointed a Fellow of the Central Association of Agricultural Valuers in 1995. He spent 12 years in the Cambridge office before moving to the Chelmsford office in 2006. He was Head of Office, Head of the Professional Division of the rural team in East Anglia and head of the Rural Tax Valuation Group nationally.

In January 2012 Simon joined with 2 other rural professionals to form Land Partners LLP, based outside Braintree.

Simon is a CLA Essex branch committee member, a trustee of the Essex Farmers Trust and a Council member for the Essex Agricultural Society. He is a past President of the Cambridgeshire and Isle of Ely Association of Agricultural Valuers and past chairman of the Braintree and Great Yeldham branch of the NFU.