

We have wide-ranging and in-depth experience and expertise in domestic and international energy and natural resources projects.



# Our specialist and experienced energy and natural resources lawyers are dedicated to the success of your project.

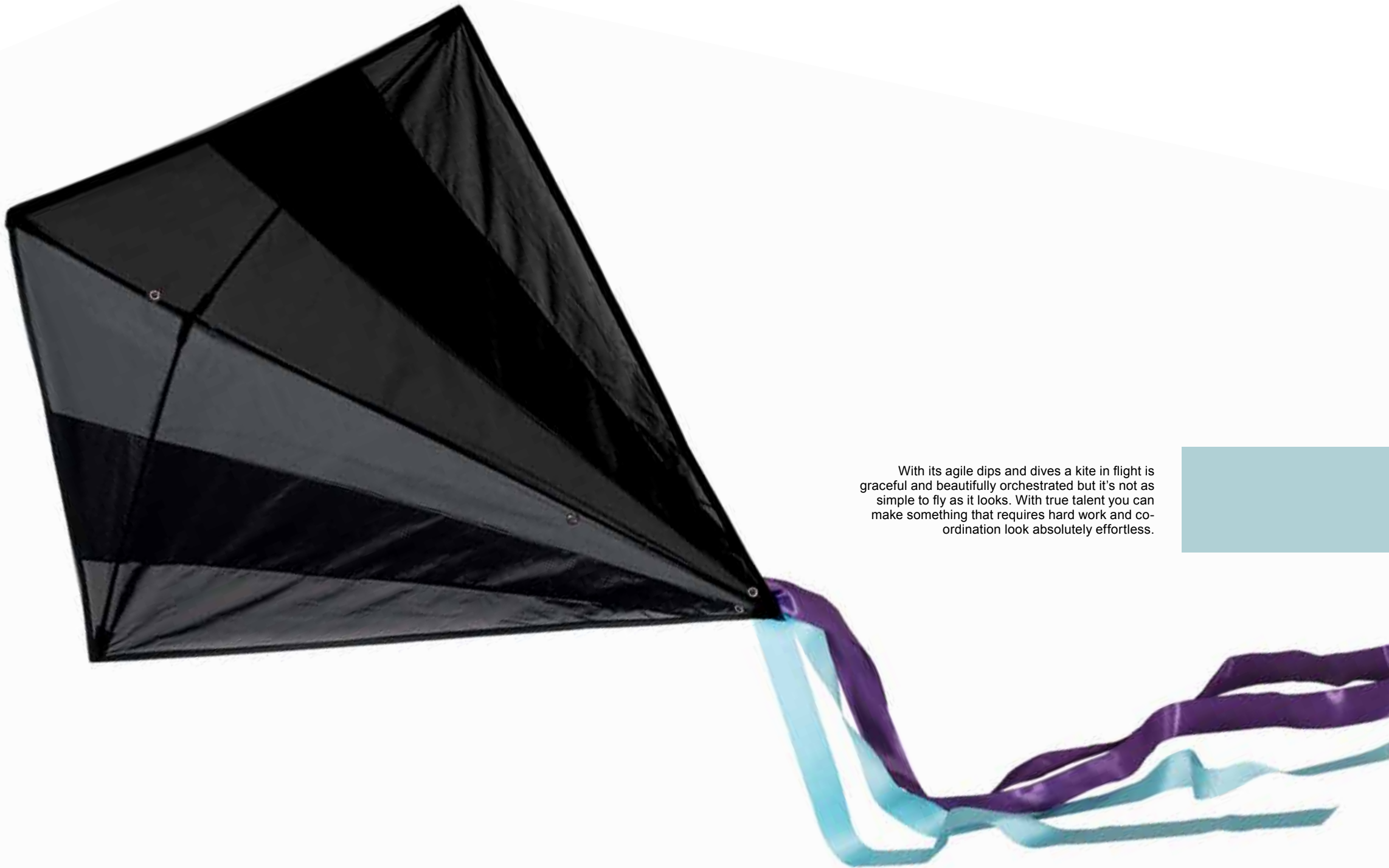
We are widely regarded as being one of the leading firms practicing in this field. We have been advising on terminals, pipelines, power stations and other energy and industrial infrastructure projects for over 50 years.

Our expertise includes advising on a range of issues including oil and gas upstream and downstream acquisitions and disposals, pipelines, offshore structures and related storage facilities, power and renewable projects, nuclear decommissioning and new build, energy related financial products, water and wastewater, solid waste and mining projects.

We have a global reach and utilise the strength of our European offices as well as our growing CIS/CEE, India, Middle East and Far East practices.

What started out as a decorative light designed to sit in a pot plant is now a practical solution for every household. It takes vision to understand potential and maximise an opportunity.





With its agile dips and dives a kite in flight is graceful and beautifully orchestrated but it's not as simple to fly as it looks. With true talent you can make something that requires hard work and coordination look absolutely effortless.

# A changing marketplace.

In an industry that is constantly changing, we strive to understand your concerns. These could range from high level issues such as the impact of the oil price on investments and strategy to detailed legislative wording on such issues as liability for nuclear incidents. Indeed, there is an ever increasing number of government consultation, legislation and policy initiatives across the energy and natural resources sectors which need to be understood.

For example, the measures to help implement the nuclear new build programme, the extensive legislation and policy initiatives to encourage alternative energy, the Cave review of the water and wastewater sector which should lead to major industry restructuring and changes to the offshore North Sea regimes are all major developments on which we can advise you.

Applications to build and operate nationally significant energy and natural resources infrastructure projects such as nuclear power stations, conventional power plants, wind farms over 50 MW, electricity transmission lines and oil and gas pipeline and storage facilities are determined by a new body (the IPC) which streamlines eight consent procedures into a single consent regime including seeking CPO powers at the application stage. Our lawyers advise on this new procedure and on establishing a strategy to manage resulting legal, time and cost risks.

Recently, our team has advised extensively in the oil and gas sector including major upstream oil and gas acquisitions, cross country pipelines and gas storage developments. For example, we are currently advising on one of the UK's largest mainland gas pipeline projects.

We have been active in advising clients on innovative procurement and project structures, especially in the area of nuclear decommissioning. For example, we recently advised on a nuclear decommissioning programme, which was one of the highest value public procurements in Europe.

Our team has leading sector expertise in the water sector advising clients on a range of regulatory issues as well as major water and wastewater projects.

We have also been advising on the property and planning issues involved in the development of wind farms, and have substantial experience in the renewable energy sector, advising banks and sponsors on wind, solar, geo-pressure and bio-mass projects, trading in Renewable Obligation and Climate Change Levy exemption certificates.

# Sector focus.

Our expertise and experience covers the full range of energy and natural resources sectors.

Our sector expertise includes:

- oil and gas
- nuclear
- power
- renewables
- water and wastewater
- solid waste
- mining

We have advised major oil and gas companies on a wide range of projects in the UK and overseas including acquisition and disposal of upstream interests, development, construction and financing of refineries, chemical and industrial plants, power stations, pipelines, offshore structures and related storage facilities.

We are a market leader in relation to pipeline projects (for cross country, local and submarine pipelines) including landfalls for offshore pipelines, construction authorisation and work authorisation applications, planning and environmental issues, CPOs and CROs and inquiries.

We have significant experience in advising oil and gas and mining clients from emerging markets on numerous acquisitions and disposals in Russia and CIS and have advised many clients on their IPOs in the UK. Our mining practice has a particularly strong focus on this region.

Our growing nuclear practice advises on both decommissioning and new build nuclear projects and has advised on some of the largest deals in the sector.

Our team has advised on a variety of power matters including major power generation projects, transmission, distribution and connection issues.

The renewables practice also continues to grow with sustainability issues and carbon pricing cutting across so many developments in the energy sector.

We should also highlight that we have leading expertise in advising clients on award-winning projects in areas including water, waste and PPPs and our team's involvement on groundbreaking projects spans multiple jurisdictions. Indeed lawyers in our team are recognised leaders in water projects in the legal directories.

This one basic principle has innumerable uses in countless industries, providing fundamental structure and strength. It's amazing how just one simple connection can be the basis for a successful relationship.





This unsung hero has been behind some of our greatest inventions. Sometimes, you don't know all the little jobs that are going on in the background; but you can trust that the outcome will be outstanding.

# Sector strength, commercial focus.

We act for a number of key blue-chip companies both in the UK and from emerging markets as well as sponsors, developers, construction contractors, operators and financiers on their investments in energy and natural resources projects. We have advised on some of the largest and most groundbreaking energy and natural resources deals worldwide.

We recognise the importance of sector expertise and to have a lawyer who can speak to you in your industry language. Our energy team comprises experts across all the energy and natural resources sectors with full service capability across all legal disciplines.

Our aim is to provide the very best legal service for a reasonable cost in a way that adds real business value.

We also have extensive experience of international transactions and our lawyers have a wide range of language skills particularly in European and the CIS languages. Where we do not have our own office in a region, we work closely with a network of local law firms in the relevant jurisdiction.

Going the extra mile for our clients is what makes us stand out from the crowd. We pride ourselves on developing long-standing relationships with our clients. We are a modern law firm that puts client care and responsiveness to client needs at the heart of our business.

We have adopted and operate by values that recognise our social responsibilities, including commitment to equality and diversity to contribute to society and to minimise our impact on the environment.

# About us.

Field Fisher Waterhouse is more than just a full-service European law firm specialising in providing commercial solutions for all industries and sectors. It's our ability to embrace change and to navigate and capitalise on the changing market that makes us different.

Clients choose to work with us because we can provide exceptional lawyers with industry expertise and strong commercial knowledge of their businesses. They value our flexible approach to teamwork and that we will shape our structures and way of working to meet their specific needs.

This commercial attitude, combined with our empowering and down-to-earth style, means you can trust us to provide you with the best possible legal solutions.

It's believed that the first matches were invented in China in 577AD by impoverished court ladies during a military siege, so they could extinguish fires after cooking and conserve their limited fuel. It just goes to show, that in times of need it often takes a spark of inspiration to turn a problem into an ingenious solution.



