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Economics of the Mortgage Market

Perspectives on Household Decision Making
Leece D

The analysis of the mortgage market is a specialised field but examines a financial market with extremely wide-ranging implications; it affects the stability of the whole economy. The key thing about this analysis is the increasing importance of the secondary mortgage market; which in the US is now several times larger than the market for government debt. The UK secondary mortgage market is also growing and the book will provide a timely resource to those active and interested in this important financial market. The 1990s saw an enormous growth of mortgage market analysis as an academic subject and there is a vast literature scattered among the key real estate journals. There is now a great need to not only bring this very complex subject area together, but also to abstract the main issues and to render them intelligible. The book will provide an organised research resource and also inform and motivate further research into the microeconomics of mortgage markets.

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Arbitration and Rent Review

Beaumont B

Every commercial lease nowadays contains a rent review clause. Ambiguously worded, or demanding strict adherence to a timetable, these clauses may not simply require recourse to an arbitrator or independent expert to decide the rent but may, in certain circumstances, lead to costly litigation. *Arbitration and Rent Review* has become a standard work in the property world for guidance on rent review. In a clear style, the author examines the procedures that landlord and tenant should follow in order to agree a new rent or to have one decided by arbitration. By means of cases, the author highlights the key areas of conflict that come before the courts, the contentious issues being introduced in the order in which they would be encountered by landlords or tenants facing a review. The book is written for the non-lawyer, and legal jargon is kept to a minimum.

The Estates Gazette Mar 2004
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Anstey's Boundary Disputes

Anstey J Powell D



In his lifetime, John Anstey was recognised as the leading expert on rights of light, party walls and boundary problems. His collection of highly popular books are currently being updated and the first of these is *Boundary Disputes* and how to resolve them. This third edition of the classic text provides practical guidance written in an entertaining manner on a very common area of disputes in residential property surveying. The book offers advice on how to establish where a boundary is or was, how to resolve the dispute and consideration of the law. The new edition has been updated by David Powell to include references to the new Land Registration Act and how this affects adverse possession, together with notes on the latest measurement techniques and on report preparation, and tips for preparing and giving expert evidence in court.

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Economics Real Estate and the Supply of Land

Evans A

The book draws together the economic literature relating to the supply of land for development. The standard view appears to be that the owners of land has no interest other than to allow their land to be used for the activity which would yield the highest income. But in reality this is not so and the book's aim is to demonstrate this, to set out the reasons and to show the economic effects of the fact that landowners have other motives. The book covers the supply of land for urban development and shows how land has characteristics which differentiate it from other factors of production which will also affect its supply for some uses, e.g. land is fixed in location and its price and value are inseparable from where it is. New light is cast on the market for land (by concentrating on the supply side), and on land use planning (by taking an economic viewpoint).

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Conveyancing Fees and Duties

Nightingale P

This booklet provides accessible, up-to-date scales of costs and fees in a practical and convenient format. This booklet covers conveyancing fees and duties.

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Housing Associations & Social

Landlords - Law and Practice
Driscoll

Taking a modern, fresh approach to housing law and specifically written for housing practitioners and their advisors, including housing office managers, residential social landlords and the housing association, this title provides a step by step guide to the law, policy and practice of this subject area. The text gives a broad coverage of policy issues such as developing housing strategies in rural areas, special needs and the homeless and also deals with procuring and provision at both framework and on an individual basis. There is specific coverage of special needs, asylum seekers, young, elderly and the homeless. General areas of funding and governance are covered along with issues of maintenance and repair, anti-social behaviour, discrimination and human rights. A thoroughly practical focus enables busy professionals to access commentary, precedents and case reports. Will also be online as a housing module of Local Government Direct with housing case reports from All England Reports and relevant legislation from Legislation Direct updated on a monthly basis.

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Enfranchisement of Houses and Flats

Driscoll J

This title forms part of the Blackstone's Landlord and Tenant Series in which the common areas of practice are broken down with a clear exposition of the law. Enfranchisement of Houses and Flats analyses the statutory rights and how they may be used taking into account both the landlord and lease. An invaluable guide to solicitors and surveyors who advise in this area.

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Stamp Duty Land Tax

Hutton M Anstey S

Stamp Duty Land Tax is a new book for all professional advisers and lay people involved in land transactions in the UK. The Book is designed to enable its readers to understand the principles behind the most significant new tax to hit the statute book for nearly 30 years, as well as to alert them to both planning opportunities and practical traps in its application. Whether the concern is with domestic or with commercial property. Stamp Duty Land Tax is set not only to bring in the Exchequer rather more than Stamp Duty on land and buildings (at just over £4bn per annum), but also to play an increasingly important part in the way in which transactions are structured. The savage new charge on leases, in particular, needs to be fully appreciated and steps taken wherever possible to minimise it. And, Stamp Duty Land Tax being directly enforceable (as distinct from the voluntary nature of Stamp Duty), the strict compliance rules must be both understood and correctly applied in the office: within just 30 days if the 'effective date' of the transaction both the return must be filed and any tax paid.

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