



# squiggle

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# Who am I?



# WHO ARE *squiggle*

- ▶ Family run business based in Ashford, Kent.
- ▶ Established in June 2017.
- ▶ Team of 25 based in South East, East, South West, North West, London (and Spain!)
- ▶ Cover the whole of the England, Scotland and Wales, either face to face or on Zoom.
- ▶ Serviced over 15,000 Clients

# Why Trust Us?

STEP  
Qualified

Fellow of  
Institute  
of  
Paralegals

Barrister  
Drafted  
Trusts

Society of  
Will  
Writers

4.9/5  
Google  
Reviews

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**Certified**



**Corporation**

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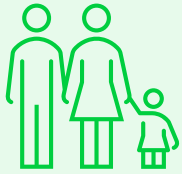
WHY *squiggle*

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# INTESTACY RULES



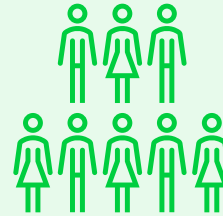
First £322k to your spouse

The remainder split between your spouse and your children.

If you don't have a spouse, then all to your children or grandchildren



If no spouse, or children, then your parents.



If all of this fails...

Your extended family;

Siblings  
Half Siblings  
Grandparents  
Aunts/Uncles  
Half Aunts/Uncles



And if all this fails

The Crown.

# Why they need us?

- ▶ Name guardians for their children
- ▶ Name beneficiaries for their estate
- ▶ The What If's in life
  - ▶ Remarriage
  - ▶ Divorce
  - ▶ Financial Hardship
  - ▶ Excluding Beneficiaries
  - ▶ Reducing Inheritance Tax
  - ▶ Loss of Capacity

# Disinheritance threats:

Most people want to avoid disinheritance threats and maximise inheritance for children/loved ones

- Threat 1: Sideways Disinheritance  
Joint ownership/the way the law works
- To maximise inheritance, you **MUST** have the right Will for your circumstances and your objectives



## Couple with joint assets

1. Joint ownership. The problem = the law

- Your main asset is probably your home
- You both own 100% of the property
- Ownership passes automatically to survivor on first death
- Your Will/Intestacy are irrelevant
- You have NO CONTROL



# Example 1

(Typically)



You & Your Partner



Probate



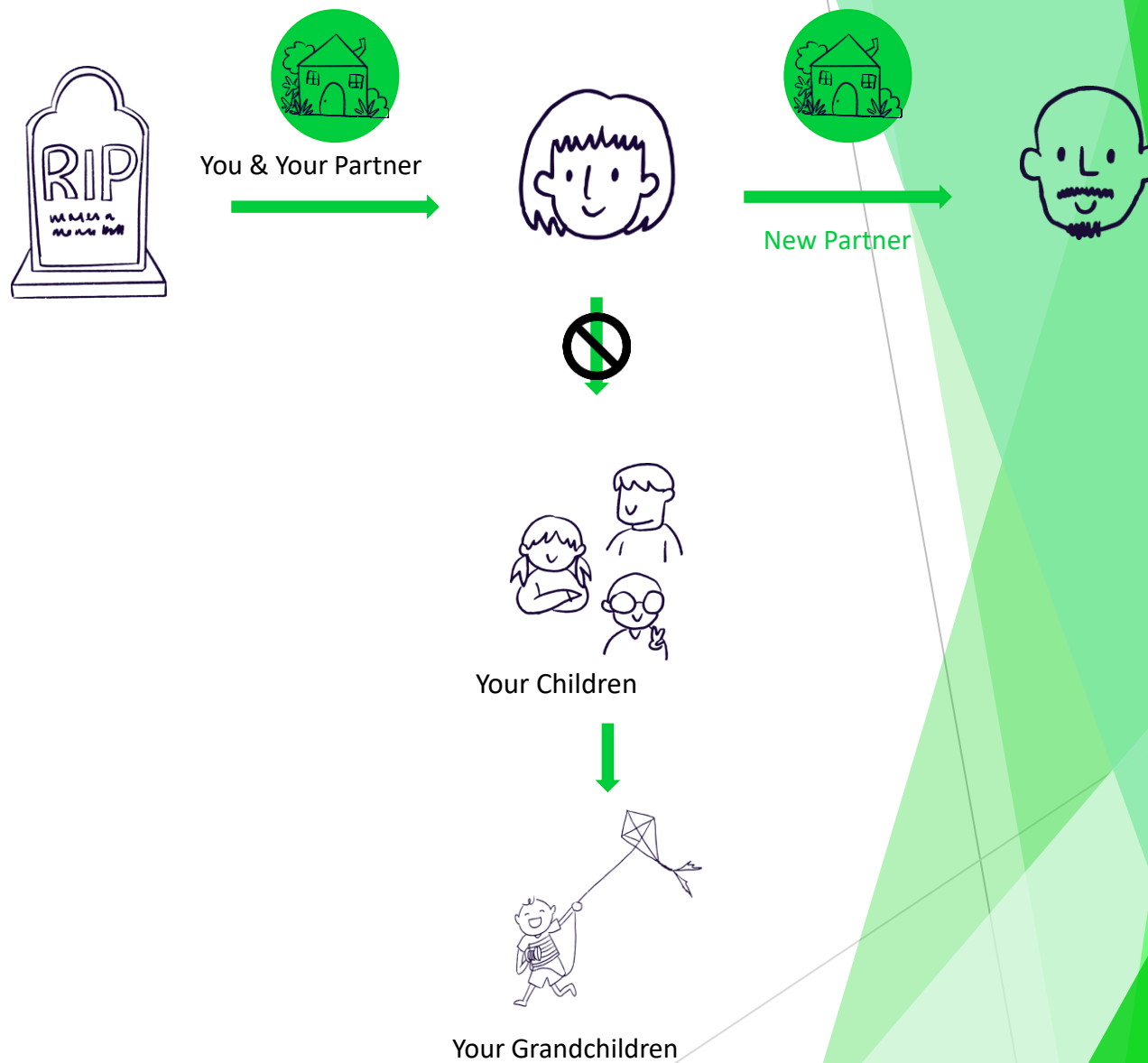
Your Children



Your Grandchildren

# Example 1

(Typical Problems)

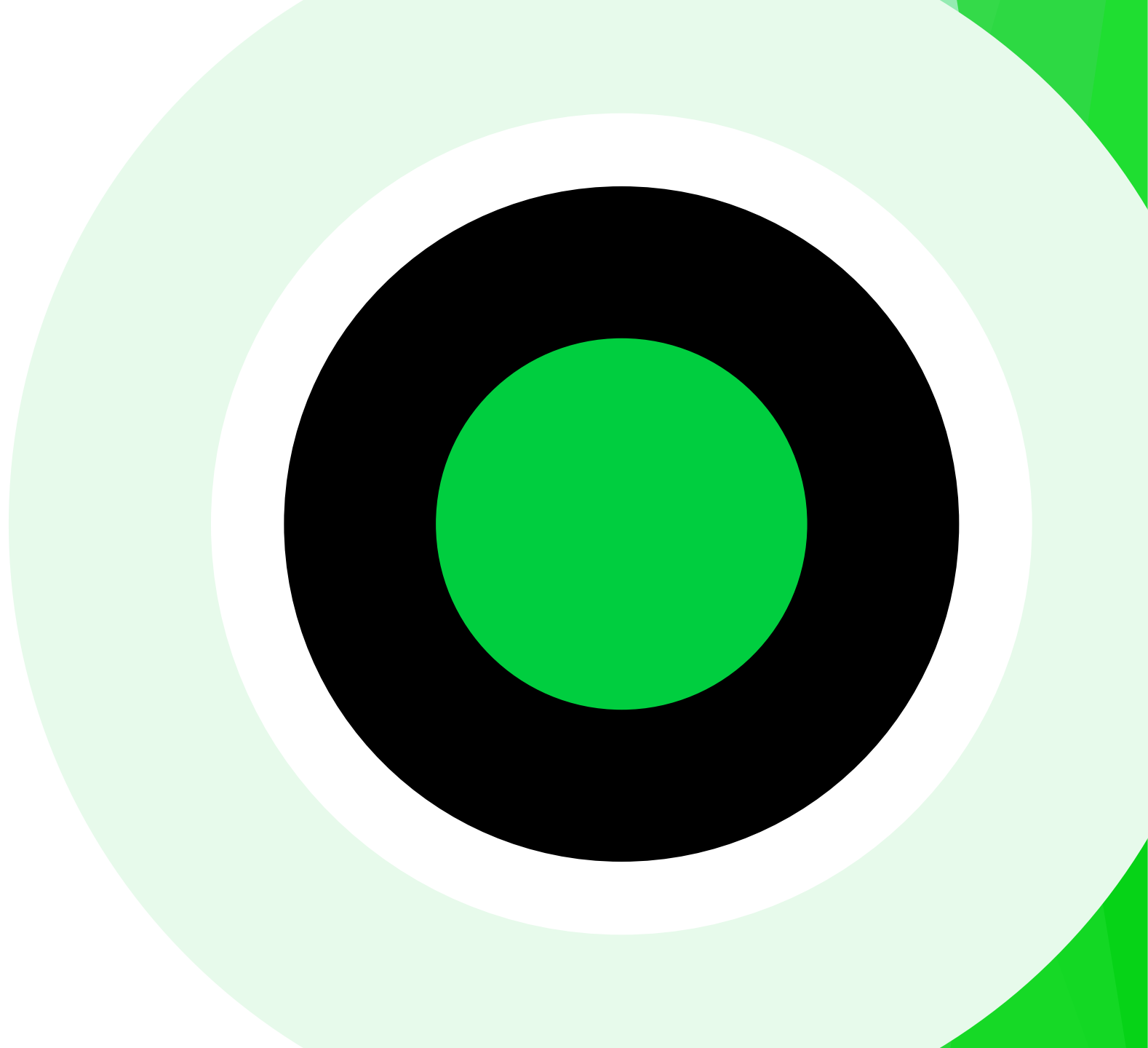


# What options do I have?

Do nothing – rely on intestacy

- Simple/Basic Wills
- Will Trusts
- Lifetime Trusts

The choice is yours/can “upgrade”



Option 1:  
Do nothing –  
rely on intestacy

- Advantage – no cost but ...
  - Disadvantages – lots
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- Is this really an option you want to rely on for everything you own & everyone you love?

## Option 2: Simple/Basic Wills

### Advantages:

- Avoids intestacy
- Small/no cost

### Disadvantages:

- Very basic
- No control / no planning / no protection

BUT, it's better than nothing – it is a stepping stone – you have to start somewhere.

## Option 3: Will Trusts

A will that creates a protective bubble for your assets when you die.

Advantages:

- Regain some control
- Some protection
- 50% of property ring fenced

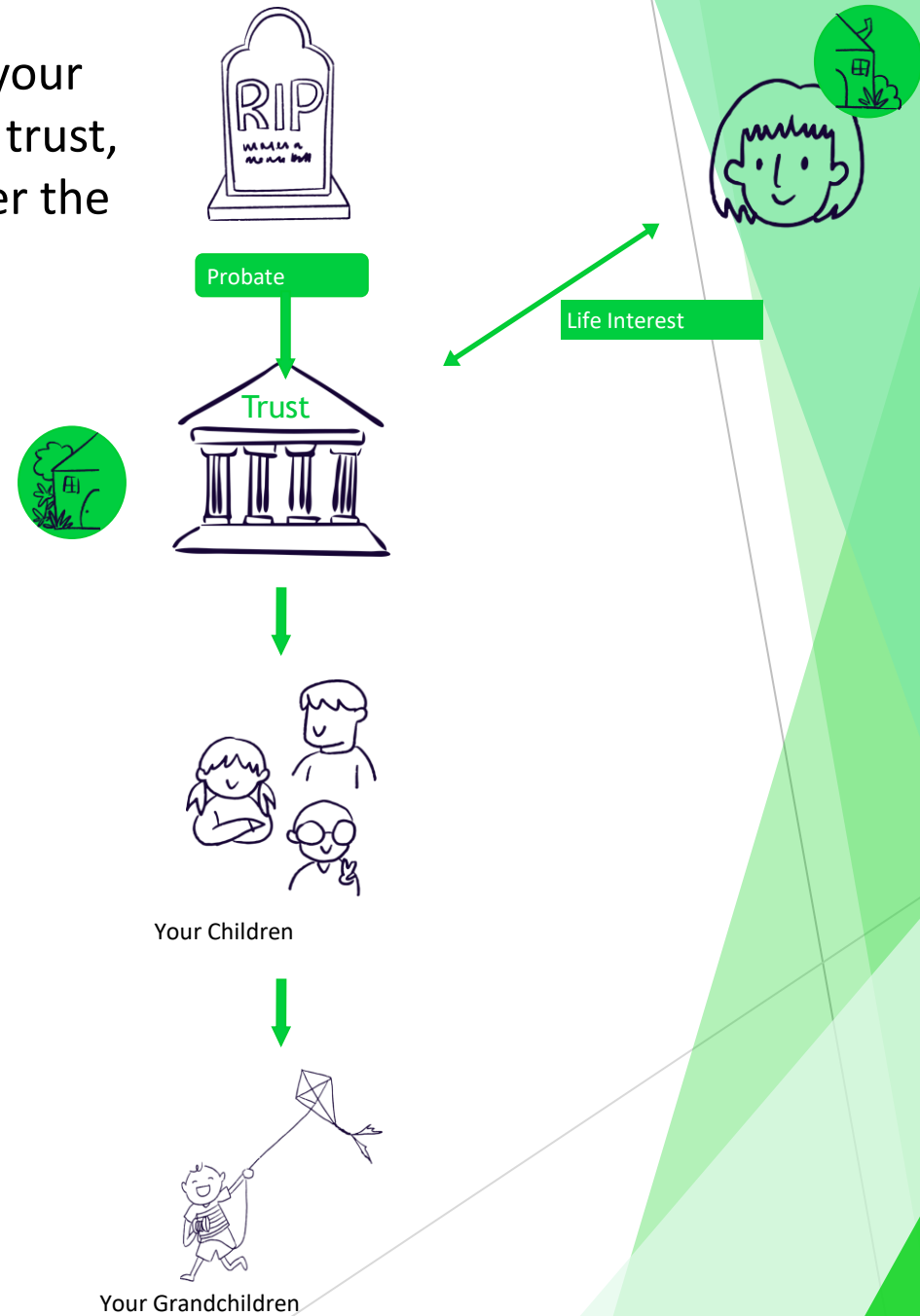
Disadvantages:

- Probate fees and delays

# Example 1

(With a Will Trust)

After first death, your assets, settle into trust, giving your partner the key to your trust.

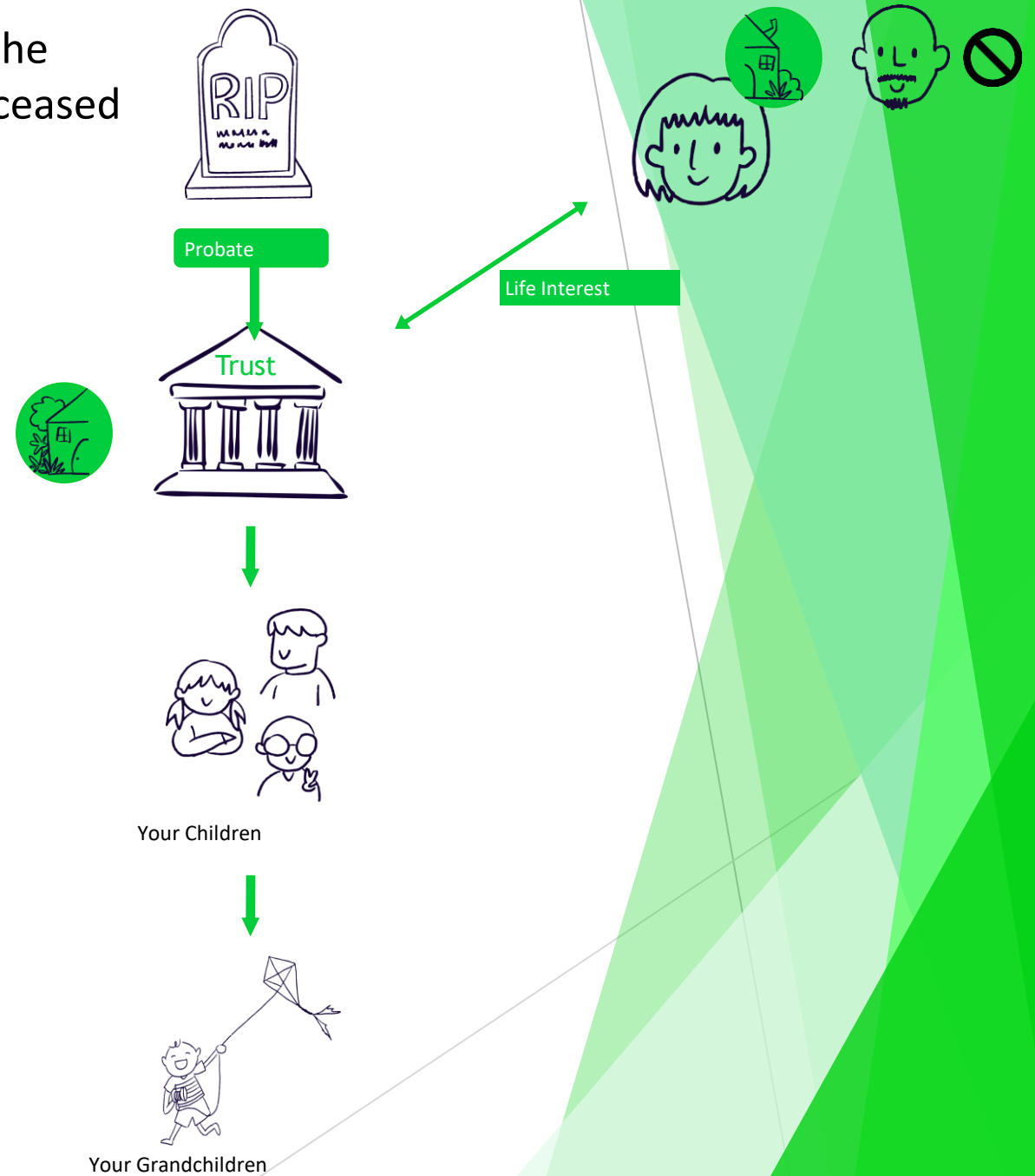


# Example 1

(With a Will Trust)



...protecting all the assets of the deceased partner.

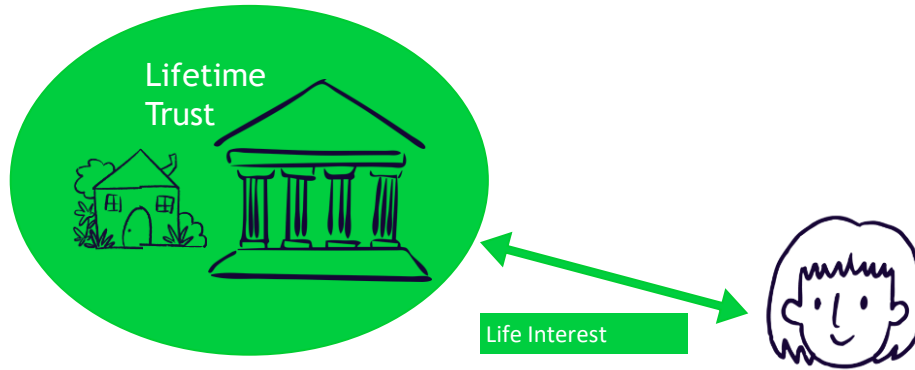


## Option 4: Wills with Lifetime Trusts

- Advantages
  - Full control
  - Full protection
  - Avoid probate fees and delays
  - 100% of property ring fenced
- Disadvantages:
  - Cannot do Equity Release
  - Must be mortgage free

# Example 2

(With a Lifetime Trust)



# Example 2

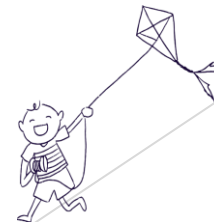
(With a Lifetime Trust)



Probate



Your Children



Your Grandchildren

# Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA)

- ▶ Personal -
  - Health & Welfare
  - Property & Financial Affairs
- ▶ Business -
  - Sole Trader
  - Partnerships
  - Limited Companies

# Who are we looking for?



## Consumers

You  
Your Friends  
Your Family  
Your Clients



## Introducers

Your Financial Advisor  
Your Mortgage Advisor  
Your Accountant  
Your Estate Agent  
Your Funeral Director  
Your Conveyancer



## Strategic Partners

Employers  
Schools  
Charities



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