



NEWSLETTER

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A VERY WARM WELCOME to my new-look email newsletter and I hope you find it an informative and engaging read.

Now that the New Year is firmly underway, this seems an appropriate time to introduce my new website.

www.jamiesonpropertysearch.co.uk has undergone a complete transformation and has been designed to introduce and explain my service to potential new clients. Hopefully it will also enlighten everyone else as to what exactly it is that I do!

The very nature of my service means that it is perhaps not immediately obvious how I can add value to a client; I really hope that the new site brings a new level of accessibility to my service. My website certainly offers an additional and invaluable resource to me, as it provides a dedicated password protected client area where I can upload property details and images for viewing.

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This ensures confidentiality of information as well as enabling clients to view images of houses within minutes of my visiting a property. And while on the subject of viewing properties, please don't forget that I'm always on the look-out for new clients and houses and will be delighted to supply a case of champagne for any recommendations.

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MARKET UPDATE

 The latest figures from the Land Registry show that prices across England and Wales increased by 0.8% in December to end the year 1.7% higher than December 2011. Prices across Norfolk dipped slightly in December, and are now 0.9% higher than they were a year ago. Whilst these figures pale into insignificance when compared to the headline grabbing growth figures in certain areas of London, the fact that we have seen any growth at all in light of current economic news is encouraging.

Many of our European neighbours would be very pleased indeed to see any growth in property prices, with more cash strapped Eurozone economies seeing prices fall by as much as 15% over the course of the year.

Although UK economic growth suffered a setback in the final three months of 2012, with GDP falling 0.3%, the UK is still regarded by many nationalities as the place to invest.

2013 has begun with some positive momentum in the housing market. Uncertainty over potential tax increases at the top end of the housing market was lifted at the end of 2012, restoring confidence in the London market in particular.

Whilst we start the year with an economy no larger than in January 2012, unemployment fell slightly in the final quarter of 2012, dropping from 7.8% to 7.7%. Unemployment across the East of England remained lower than the national figures at 6.7% in the three months to November 2012.



Rainfall in 2012 - England & Wales



Growth in House Prices - England & Wales



RICS UK house price forecast

THE JAMIESON FILES

2012 was England's wettest year since records began in 1910. In 2013 the rain turned to snow, with temperatures in Marham in Norfolk hitting -13 degrees centigrade on 16th January.

Research by insurance group RSA suggests recent snowy conditions could cost the UK economy up to £500 million per day. £500 million could have bought every semi-detached house and flat sold in Norfolk last year.

Inclement weather is certainly helping sales of 4x4 vehicles. Land Rover reported their highest year-on-year rise in sales, up 24.4% in 2012.

According to property portal Zoopla, Sheringham has the highest turnover of property in any town in Norfolk, with 16.4% of homes changing hands in the past 5 years.

Chesterton Humberts are forecasting that house prices in the East of England will increase by 2.3% this year, outperforming their 1.7% forecast nationally.

38% of households in Norfolk own their property outright according to the latest census. The highest concentration is in North Norfolk where 46% of households own outright compared with just 20% in Norwich.

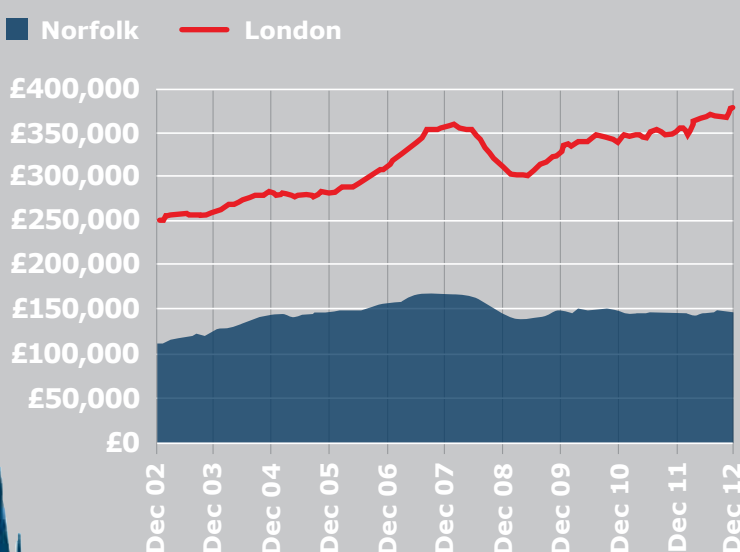
The Domesday book shows that in the 11th Century Norfolk was one of the most highly populated counties. Whilst this is no longer the case, the total population increased by 61,000 between 2001 and 2011, a rise of almost 8%.

“60% rise in new homes registered in the East of England Q4 2012 VS. Q4 2011”

Norfolk House buyer spending 2012



Price gap increases



About Jamieson Property Search

As a leading independent property search consultant, Jamieson Property Search sets the standards for the acquisition of exceptional property in Norfolk. Combining Jamie Jamieson's expert knowledge of the market with his unrivalled personal contact book, Jamieson Property Search is able to offer a discreet and very personal property finding service.