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PENNY AVIS & JOANNA BERRY **Authors**

Penny Avis and Joanna Berry are the authors of the hugely popular series of novels titled '**Never Mind the Botox**'. The books are about four professional women all working on the sale of high profile cosmetic surgery business, the Beau Street Group. Each book reveals how the women cope with one of the most glamorous but challenging deals of their careers, and the dramatic impact it has on their personal lives.

Joanna Berry graduated in Law with first class honours from Oxford University. She qualified as a solicitor in the City and at 31, became one of the youngest partners in Eversheds, specialising in media and intellectual property law. Career highlights included working on deals for the Spice Girls and on the launch of Channel 5. After having her third child, she took a job with Children in Need, as Chair of the Northern Regions and started writing.

Penny Avis trained as an accountant and was a high flying corporate finance partner at Deloitte, specialising in consumer products and hostile takeovers. She led deals in everything from spirits to sportswear, having previously survived the collapse of Arthur Andersen during the Enron crisis. She was named as one of the Top Ten Accountants Under 35 and was on the Board of Deloitte for two years. Penny took a career break in 2009 and started writing.