



Legal Aid
Agency

Procurement of HPCDS Services in England and Wales from 1 October 2018

Scheme Area Guide:

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Introduction

1. This guide is designed to provide information on the HPCDS Scheme Area of Bradford and Leeds for HPCDS work from October 2018. It provides information on the area and court locations covered.

About the court locations in this Scheme Area

2. The court locations to be served in this Scheme Area are Bradford Combined Court Centre and Leeds Combined Court Centre.



Local Authority	Population ¹
Leeds	774,060
Bradford	531,176
Total	1,305,236

Alternative Hearing Venue

3. It is possible that some listings may be allocated by courts in the Scheme Area to Alternative Hearing Venues (e.g. another non-court venue). The use of Alternative Hearing Venues may begin or change throughout the life of the Contract. It is expected that Alternative Hearing Venues will be located either within or close to the Scheme Area. At present, there are no known Alternative Hearing Venues in this Scheme Area.

¹ ONS Mid-Year Ward Level Statistics 2015 – released 26 October 2016. (Refreshed Annually)
<https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/populationandmigration/populationestimates/datasets/wardlevelmidyearpopulationestimatesexperimental>

Court locations covered by this scheme	Address	Contact details and Opening times	Parking Information
Bradford Combined Court Centre Court location/tribunal no. 402	Bradford Law Courts Exchange Square Drake Street Bradford West Yorkshire BD1 1JA	Enquiries: 01274 840 274 Court building open: Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm Court counter open: 10am to 2pm for urgent matters only	On-site parking is not available at this venue. Paid off-site parking is available within 500m of this venue
Leeds Combined Court Centre Court location/tribunal no. 243	The Courthouse 1 Oxford Row Leeds West Yorkshire LS1 3BG	Enquiries: 0113 306 2800 County Court enquiries counter: 10am to 2pm (High Court and Administrative Court 4pm) Court building open: Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm	On-site parking is not available at this venue. Paid off-site parking is available within 500m of this venue. Parking can be arranged by contacting the court in advance on 0113 306 2669

Projected HPCDS Scheme volumes in the Scheme Area

4. The tables below indicate historical information surrounding the HPCDS Schemes in the Scheme Area.

Bradford and Leeds Scheme Area Key Facts ²													
Number of courts in area		Two*			Busiest days by Acts of Assistance					Bradford	Wednesday (82%)		
										Halifax	Tuesday (73%)		
										Leeds	Thursday (58%)		
Most common day of listing		Bradford	Wednesday (70%)			Most common types of claimant					Bradford	Mortgage (54%)	
		Halifax	Tuesday (76%)								Halifax	Mortgage (46%)	
		Leeds	Thursday (31%)								Leeds	Social Landlord (51%)	
Most common time of listing		Bradford	Morning (100%)			Most common types of hearing					Bradford	Claims (40%)	
		Halifax	Morning (73%)								Halifax	Claims (39%)	
		Leeds	Morning (69%)								Leeds	Claims (39%)	
Number of Sessions						Fees paid							
Court	2014	2015		2016		Court	2014	2015		2016			
Bradford	76	80		58		Bradford	£19,962.45	£22,108.95		£17,458.20			
Halifax	49	47		43		Halifax	£17,601.30	£12,091.95		£9,802.35			
Leeds	226	216		255		Leeds	£54,306.45	£47,580.75		£59,744.25			
Total	351	343		356		Total	£91,870.20	£81,781.65		£87,004.80			
Acts of assistance by day of the week													
Court	Monday	%	Tuesday	%	Wednesday	%	Thursday	%	Friday	%			
Bradford	0	0%	130	16%	684	82%	12	1%	5	1%			
Halifax	1	0%	386	73%	68	13%	27	5%	48	9%			
Leeds	460	20%	168	7%	170	7%	1319	58%	153	7%			
Total	461	13%	684	19%	922	25%	1358	37%	206	6%			
Acts of Assistance				Distribution of listing days by day of the week						Length of session			
Court	2014	2015	2016	Court	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	All Day	Morning	Afternoon	
Bradford	281	305	245	Bradford	0%	24%	70%	5%	1%	0%	100%	0%	
Halifax	243	160	127	Halifax	1%	76%	12%	5%	7%	0%	73%	27%	
Leeds	765	667	840	Leeds	26%	14%	15%	31%	13%	0%	69%	31%	
Total	281	305	245	Total	18%	24%	26%	22%	10%	0%	76%	24%	

² Sessions, fees and acts of assistance data is drawn from the Legal Aid Agencies internal Management Information data. Listing information is taken from HMCTS court listing data

Number of Nil Sessions				Listing Information																											
Court	2014	2015	2016	2014								2015								2016											
				Type of hearing					Type of claimant			Type of hearing					Type of claimant			Type of hearing					Type of claimant						
				A	B	C	D	E	1	2	3	4	A	B	C	D	E	1	2	3	4	A	B	C	D	E	1	2	3	4	
Bradford	0	4	2	1305	610	390	409	987	230	1857	270	1344	1002	540	334	300	792	282	963	296	1427	1148	559	371	326	749	214	987	334	1618	
Halifax	3	9	10	653	260	203	335	469	87	696	103	1034	484	235	177	214	363	132	328	110	903	256	127	85	91	153	103	148	49	412	
Leeds	1	4	2	1692	740	498	593	1197	245	1749	496	2230	1317	564	395	476	946	274	831	442	2151	1414	695	418	439	881	357	620	547	2323	
Total	4	17	14	3650	1610	1091	1337	2653	562	4302	869	4608	2803	1339	906	990	2101	688	2122	848	4481	2818	1381	874	856	1783	674	1755	930	4353	

1: Accelerated Landlord 2: Mortgage. 3: Private Landlord 4: Social Landlord: A: Claims B: Outright Orders C: Repossessions D: Suspended Orders E: Warrants

**Please note that Halifax County Court closed in February 2017. Housing Possession cases previously listed in Halifax are now listed in Bradford Combined County Court. The data for Halifax is included for illustrative purposes and does not represent the actual volume or value of HPCDS work being transferred to Bradford.*

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