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

## **Scheme Area Guide:**

Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme Area: City of Leicester and Northamptonshire

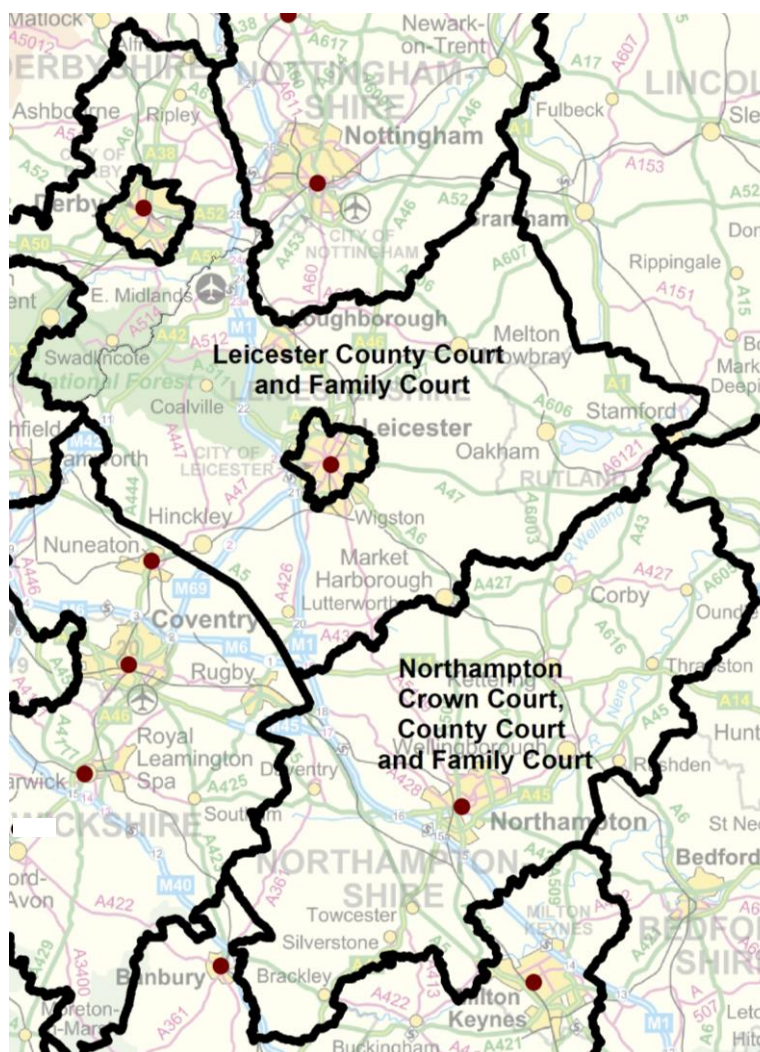
## Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme Area: City of Leicester and Northamptonshire

### Introduction

1. This guide is designed to provide information on the HPCDS Scheme Area of City of Leicester and Northamptonshire 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 Leicester County Court and Family Court, and Northampton Crown Court, County Court and Family Court.



Local Authority	Population <sup>1</sup>
Northamptonshire	723,026
Leicester	342,627
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,065,653</b>

Main Settlements (30k+) <sup>2</sup>
Corby
Kettering
Leicester
Northampton
Wellingborough

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

<sup>2</sup> 2011 Population: All Usual Residents". Neighbourhood Statistics. Office for National Statistics. 2011-03-27. Retrieved 2017-02-12.

### 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.

<b>Court locations covered by this scheme</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Contact details and Opening times</b>	<b>Parking Information</b>
Leicester County Court and Family Court  Court location/tribunal no. 244	90 Wellington Street Leicester Leicestershire LE1 6HG	Enquiries: 0116 222 5700  Court building open: Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm Court counter open: 10am to 2pm	On-site parking is not available at this venue. The nearest public car park is East Street. There is metered parking on Wellington Street and St. Albion Street.
Northampton Crown Court, County Court and Family Court  Court location/tribunal no. 282	85-87 Lady's Lane Northampton Northamptonshire NN1 3HQ	Enquiries: 01604 470 400 County Court enquiries counter: 10am to 2pm Court building open: Monday to Friday 8:30am to 5pm	There are no parking facilities at this court.

### Projected HPCDS Scheme volumes in the Scheme Area

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

**City of Leicester and Northamptonshire Scheme Area Key Facts<sup>3</sup>**

Number of courts in area	Two*			Busiest days by Acts of Assistance				Leicester	Monday (41%)	
								Northampton	Tuesday (67%)	
Most common day for sessions	Kettering	Wednesday (55%)			Most common types of claimant				Kettering	Social Landlord (46%), Mortgage (43%)
	Leicester	Monday (34%)							Leicester	Social Landlord (53%)
	Northampton	Tuesday (51%)							Northampton	Social Landlord (45%)
Most common time for sessions	Kettering	Morning (60%)			Most common types of hearing				Kettering	Claims (37%)
	Leicester	Morning (54%)							Leicester	Claims (42%)
	Northampton	Morning (66%)							Northampton	Claims (41%)

Number of Sessions				Fees paid			
Court	2014	2015	2016	Court	2014	2015	2016
Kettering	151	123	92	Kettering	£24,899.40	£19,533.15	£16,170.30
Leicester	262	236	192	Leicester	£43,573.95	£39,066.30	£27,260.55
Northampton	86	101	93	Northampton	£12,306.60	£12,163.50	£12,592.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>£80,779.95</b>	<b>£70,762.95</b>	<b>£56,023.65</b>

Acts of assistance by day of the week										
Court	Monday	%	Tuesday	%	Wednesday	%	Thursday	%	Friday	%
Kettering	5	1	48	6	529	62	254	30	12	1
Leicester	626	41	482	31	130	8	137	9	161	10
Northampton	33	6	348	67	80	15	28	5	29	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>664</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>878</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>7</b>

Acts of Assistance				Distribution of sessions by day of the week						Length of session		
Court	2014	2015	2016	Court	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	All Day	Morning	Afternoon
Kettering	348	273	228	Kettering	1%	7%	55%	35%	2%	11%	60%	29%
Leicester	609	546	381	Leicester	34%	23%	14%	13%	16%	20%	54%	25%
Northampton	172	170	176	Northampton	10%	51%	20%	9%	10%	0%	66%	34%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1129</b>	<b>989</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>59%</b>	<b>28%</b>

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	
Kettering	0	0	0	1181	485	282	513	747	289	860	245	1814	791	288	239	351	567	87	413	229	1507	714	237	175	336	472	0	342	171	1421	
Leicester	0	0	0	2850	1071	685	1165	1510	838	1755	609	4079	2343	917	653	871	1282	998	825	615	3628	2149	898	565	717	1090	1098	732	571	3018	
Northampton	0	0	0	1178	452	295	428	713	295	828	253	1690	1221	585	295	399	661	754	457	393	1557	1264	665	401	357	662	1258	335	311	1445	
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5209</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>1262</b>	<b>2106</b>	<b>2970</b>	<b>1422</b>	<b>3443</b>	<b>1107</b>	<b>7583</b>	<b>4355</b>	<b>1790</b>	<b>1187</b>	<b>1621</b>	<b>2510</b>	<b>1839</b>	<b>1695</b>	<b>1237</b>	<b>6692</b>	<b>4127</b>	<b>1800</b>	<b>1141</b>	<b>1410</b>	<b>2224</b>	<b>2356</b>	<b>1409</b>	<b>1053</b>	<b>5884</b>	

<sup>3</sup> 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

**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 Kettering County Court closed in August 2017. Housing Possession cases listed in Kettering are now listed in Northampton County Court. The data for Kettering is included for illustrative purposes and does not represent the actual volume or value of HPCDS work transferred to Northampton.***

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