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Scheme Area Guide:

Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme Area:
Manchester and Stockport

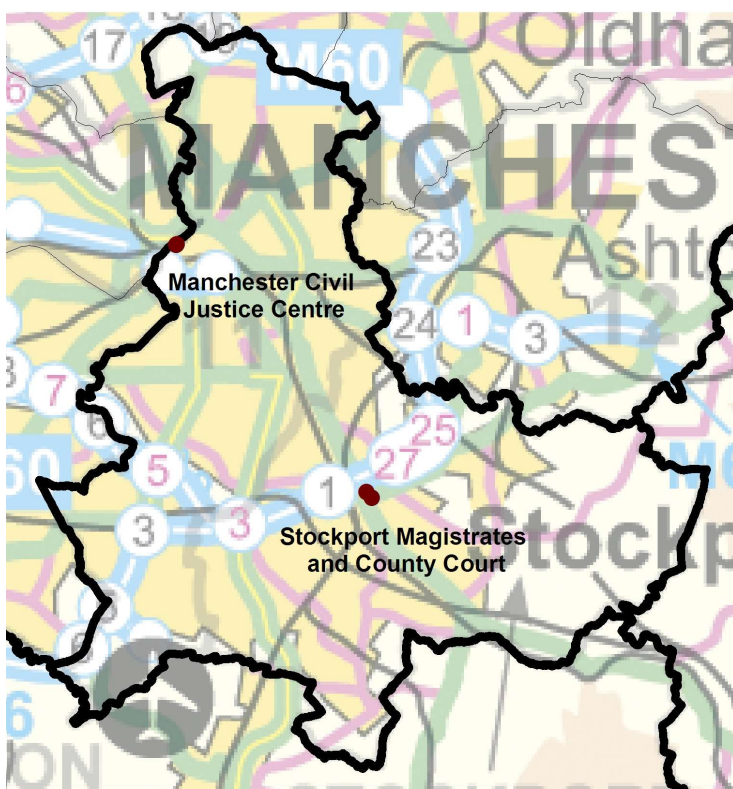
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Introduction

1. This guide is designed to provide information on the HPCDS Scheme Area of Manchester and Stockport 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 Manchester County Court and Family Court Hearing Centre (in Manchester Civil Justice Centre) and Stockport Magistrates and County Court.



Local Authority	Population ¹
Manchester	530,292
Stockport	288,733
Bolton	281,619
Salford	245,614
Trafford	233,288
Oldham	230,823
Tameside	221,692
Rochdale	214,195
Bury	187,884
Total	2,434,140

Main settlements (30k+) ²			
Altrincham	Ashton-under-Lyne	Atherton	Bolton
Bury	Chadderton	Denton	Eccles
Hyde	Manchester	Middleton	Oldham
Radcliffe	Rochdale	Romiley	Sale
Salford	Stockport	Urmston	Wigan

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

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

Alternative Hearing Venues

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.

Court locations covered by this scheme	Address	Contact details and Opening times	Parking Information
Manchester County Court and Family Court Hearing Centre Locations No.262	Manchester County Court and Family Court Hearing Centre based in Manchester Civil Justice Centre 1 Bridge Street West Manchester M60 9DJ	Enquiries: 0161 240 5000 Court building open: Monday to Friday 8:30 am 5pm. Bailiffs Office: 8am to 10am Court counter open: 10am to 2pm (High Court and Administrative Court 4pm)	On-site parking is not available at this venue. Paid off-site parking is available within 500m of this venue. Blue badge parking is not available at this venue.
Stockport Magistrates and County Court Court location/tribunal No.1739	The Courthouse Edward Street Stockport Greater Manchester SK1 3DQ	Enquiries: 0161 477 2020 Court building open: Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm. Court counter open: 9am to 4pm	There is no public parking available at the Court site, but there are numerous car parks in close proximity.

Projected HPCDS Scheme volumes in the Scheme Area

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

Manchester and Stockport Scheme Area Key Facts³

Number of courts in area	Two*		Busiest days by Acts of Assistance		Altrincham	Wednesday (98%)
					Macclesfield	Wednesday (60%)
					Manchester	Wednesday (62%)
					Stockport	Thursday (59%)
					Tameside	Tuesday (48%)
Most common day of listing	Altrincham	Wednesday (98%)	Most common types of claimant		Altrincham	Social Landlord (46%)
	Macclesfield	Wednesday (58%)			Buxton	Mortgage (50%)
	Manchester	Wednesday (46%)			Macclesfield	Social Landlord (45%), Mortgage (44%)
	Stockport	Thursday (57%)			Manchester	Social Landlord (57%)
	Tameside	Wednesday (47%)			Stockport	Social Landlord (52%)
Most common time of listing	Altrincham	Morning (92%)	Most common types of hearing		Altrincham	Claims (43%)
	Macclesfield	Morning (47%)			Buxton	Claims (40%)
	Manchester	Morning (59%)			Macclesfield	Claims (43%)
	Stockport	Morning (89%)			Manchester	Claims (41%)
	Tameside	Morning (99%)			Stockport	Claims (41%)
				Tameside	Claims (38%)	

Number of Sessions				Fees paid			
Court	2014	2015	2016	Court	2014	2015	2016
Altrincham	23	27	13	Altrincham	£5,080.05	£4,722.30	£2,718.90
Macclesfield	31	27	14	Macclesfield	£7,011.90	£5,795.55	£2,862.00
Manchester	184	167	183	Manchester	£53,447.85	£41,355.90	£44,003.25
Stockport	72	61	48	Stockport	£19,890.90	£14,310.00	£16,742.70
Tameside	63	46	26	Tameside	£17,672.85	£16,528.05	£7,441.20
Total	373	328	284	Total	£103,103.55	£82,711.80	£73,768.05

Acts of assistance by day of the week										
Court	Monday	%	Tuesday	%	Wednesday	%	Thursday	%	Friday	%
Altrincham	0	0	0	0	170	98	4	2	0	0
Macclesfield	20	9	2	1	129	60	61	28	4	2
Manchester	392	20	18	1	1193	62	32	2	298	15
Stockport	15	2	28	4	2	0	422	59	246	35
Tameside	6	1	282	48	113	19	184	31	0	0
Total	433	12	330	9	1607	44	703	19	548	15

³ 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

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																			
Altrincham	70	66	38	Altrincham	0%	0%	98%	2%	0%	2%	92%	6%																			
Macclesfield	99	79	38	Macclesfield	11%	1%	58%	28%	1%	31%	47%	22%																			
Manchester	749	581	607	Manchester	33%	2%	46%	4%	15%	20%	59%	21%																			
Stockport	281	198	234	Stockport	2%	4%	1%	57%	36%	0%	89%	11%																			
Tameside	246	232	107	Tameside	4%	30%	47%	18%	0%	1%	99%	0%																			
Total	1445	1156	1024	Total	20%	6%	42%	17%	15%	13%	71%	15%																			
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	
Altrincham	1	0	0	407	121	76	163	203	56	292	76	546	359	113	69	166	218	92	137	82	614	79	35	20	31	46	37	30	25	119	
Buxton	N/A	N/A	N/A	109	49	26	44	78	23	127	24	132	82	21	17	40	44	10	47	12	135	23	10	4	3	14	12	13	6	23	
Macclesfield	1	2	2	376	120	83	171	235	49	355	67	514	279	103	61	120	172	54	133	28	520	80	31	33	34	46	32	52	14	126	
Manchester	0	0	9	5140	1667	1133	2121	2797	1297	2824	1066	7671	4374	1453	989	1893	2361	1505	1425	1064	7076	4407	1707	1123	1687	2494	1767	1537	1243	6871	
Stockport	0	2	0	905	321	264	370	604	122	687	127	1528	656	272	159	232	468	173	341	150	1123	779	310	192	306	454	154	379	155	1353	
Tameside	1	2	2	1145	464	319	528	744	187	875	184	1954	1004	393	251	431	604	236	437	156	1854	250	103	72	114	180	92	124	55	448	
Total	3	6	13	8082	2742	1901	3397	4661	1734	5160	1544	12345	6754	2355	1546	2882	3867	2070	2520	1492	11322	5618	2196	1444	2175	3234	2094	2135	1498	8940	

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 Altrincham and Tameside County Courts closed in June 2016. Housing Possession cases previously listed at these locations are now listed at Manchester County Court. In addition, Macclesfield County Court closed in November 2016 and cases previously listed at this location are now listed at Manchester and Stockport County Courts. In addition, Buxton County Court, which was not part of a HPCDS area, closed in September 2016 and cases previously listed at this location are now Stockport County Court and Chesterfield County Court. The data for the closed courts is included for illustrative purposes and does not represent the actual volume or value of HPCDS work transferred to any other court.*

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