



Legal Aid  
Agency

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

## **Scheme Area Guide:**

Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme Area: Kingston-Upon-Thames  
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**Introduction**

1. This guide is designed to provide information on the HPCDS Scheme Area of Kingston-Upon-Thames & Richmond-upon-Thames, and Wandsworth for HPCDS work from October 2018. It provides information on the area and courts locations covered.

**About the court locations in this Scheme Area**

2. The court locations to be served in this Scheme Area are Kingston-upon-Thames County Court and Wandsworth County Court and Family Court.



Local Authority	Population <sup>1</sup>
Wandsworth	314,544
Richmond-upon-Thames	194,730
Kingston-upon-Thames	173,525
<b>Total</b>	<b>682,799</b>

**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.

<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>

<b>Court location covered by this scheme</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Contact details and Opening times</b>	<b>Parking Information</b>
Kingston-upon-Thames County Court  Court location/tribunal no.240	St James Road Kingston-upon-Thames Surrey KT1 2AD	Enquiries: 020 8972 8700 Appointments: 020 89728709  Court building open: Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm Court counter open: By Appointment Only	There is no parking available at this venue
Wandsworth County Court and Family Court	76-78 Upper Richmond Road Putney London SW15 2SU	Enquiries: 020 8333 4351  Court building open: Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm Court counter open: By Appointment Only	There are disabled parking facilities at this venue.

#### **Projected HPCDS Scheme volumes in the Scheme Area**

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

**Kingston-Upon-Thames & Richmond-upon-Thames and Wandsworth Scheme Area Key Facts<sup>2</sup>**

Number of courts in area	Two*			Busiest days by Acts of Assistance	Kingston	Tuesday (68%)						
					Wandsworth	Wednesday (87%)						
					West London	Monday (64%)						
Most common day for sessions	Kingston	Tuesday (52%)		Most common types of claimant	Kingston	Mortgage (33%), Social Landlord (63%)						
	Wandsworth	Wednesday (81%)			Wandsworth	Social Landlord (51%)						
	West London	Monday (51%), Monday (48%)			West London	Social Landlord (44%)						
Most common time for sessions	Kingston	Morning (100%)		Most common types of hearing	Kingston	Claims (43%)						
	Wandsworth	Morning (53%)			Wandsworth	Claims (43%)						
	West London	Morning (51%), Afternoon (49%)			West London	Claims (47%)						
Number of Sessions				Fees paid								
Court	2014	2015	2016	Court	2014	2015	2016					
Kingston	97	89	89	Kingston	£18,748.80	£12,096.00	£13,230.00					
Wandsworth	86	94	142	Wandsworth	£35,002.80	£45,511.20	£53,676.00					
West London	183	197	95	West London	£32,886.00	£29,635.20	£13,759.20					
Total	366	380	326	Total	£86,637.60	£87,242.40	£80,665.20					
Acts of assistance by day of the week												
Court	Monday	%	Tuesday	%	Wednesday	%	Thursday	%	Friday	%		
Kingston	165	30	380	68	8	1	1	0	2	0		
Wandsworth	211	12	3	0	1543	87	5	0	9	1		
West London	577	64	0	0	327	36	2	0	1	0		
Total	953	29	383	12	1878	58	8	0	12	0		
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
Kingston	252	152	153	Kingston	44%	52%	3%	0%	1%	0%	100%	0%
Wandsworth	462	602	709	Wandsworth	16%	1%	81%	1%	1%	22%	53%	25%
West London	396	355	156	West London	48%	0%	51%	0%	0%	0%	51%	49%
Total	1110	1109	1018	Total	37%	14%	47%	1%	1%	7%	64%	29%

<sup>2</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

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	
Kingston	6	10	22	1086	552	294	285	612	799	618	528	884	960	466	313	209	534	937	254	471	820	1028	514	316	201	507	956	258	493	859	
Wandsworth	3	0	1	2401	1143	778	522	1311	2152	514	793	2696	2034	1000	664	419	1180	1955	291	640	2411	2437	1326	776	441	1429	2252	407	967	2783	
West London	40	39	27	1383	716	370	219	697	1152	225	633	1375	1171	734	337	139	670	1009	139	632	1271	332	296	106	35	146	358	33	195	329	
<b>Total</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>4870</b>	<b>2411</b>	<b>1442</b>	<b>1026</b>	<b>2620</b>	<b>4103</b>	<b>1357</b>	<b>1954</b>	<b>4955</b>	<b>4165</b>	<b>2200</b>	<b>1314</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>2384</b>	<b>3901</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>1743</b>	<b>4502</b>	<b>3797</b>	<b>2136</b>	<b>1198</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>2082</b>	<b>3566</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>1655</b>	<b>3971</b>	

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 West London County Court closed in June 2016. Cases previously listed at West London are now listed at Wandsworth County Court. The data for West London is included for illustrative purposes and does not represent the actual volume or value of HPCDS work transferred to Wandsworth.*

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