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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 Bristol, South Gloucestershire & North Somerset, and Somerset

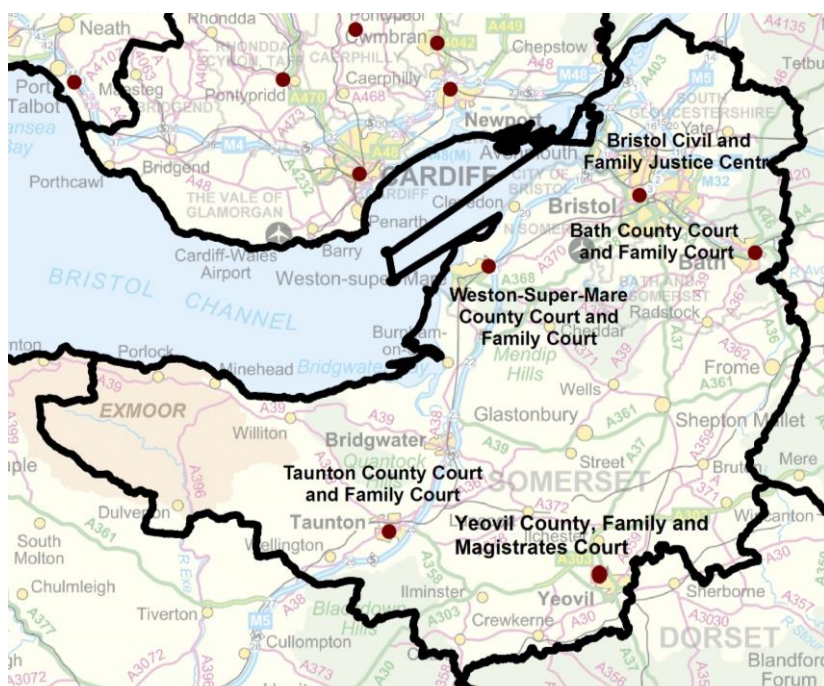
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### Introduction

1. This guide is designed to provide information on the HPCDS Scheme Area of City of Bristol, South Gloucestershire & North Somerset, and Somerset 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 Bath County Court and Family Court, Bristol Civil and Family Justice Centre, Taunton County Court and Family Court, Weston-super-Mare County Court and Family Court, and Yeovil County, Family and Magistrates' Court.



Local Authority	Population <sup>1</sup>
Bristol, City of	449,328
South Gloucestershire	274,661
North Somerset	209,944
Bath and North East Somerset	184,874
South Somerset	164,982
Sedgemoor	120,260
Taunton Deane	114,021
Mendip	111,724
West Somerset	34,403
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,664,197</b>

Settlements (30k+) <sup>2</sup>
Bath
Bradley Stoke
Bristol
Kingswood
Taunton
Weston-super-Mare
Yate
Yeovil

### 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

<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 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>
Bath County Court and Family Court Court location/ tribunal no.123	The Law Courts North Parade Road Bath Somerset BA1 5AF	Enquiries: 01225 476 730  Court building open: Monday to Friday 9am to 4:30pm Court counter open: 10am to 2pm	On-site parking is not available at this venue. Off-site parking is not available within 500m of this venue. Blue badge parking is not available at this venue.
Bristol Civil and Family Justice Centre Court location/ tribunal no.151	2 Redcliff Street Bristol BS1 6GR	Civil queries: 0117 366 4850  Civil fax: 0870 324 0048  Court building open: 8:30am to 4pm (9am to 4pm Thursday) Court counter open: 9.30am to 2pm (High Court and Administrative Court 4pm)	There is pay and display parking in Redcliff Street. NCP Public parking is also available at Redcliffe Parade, BS1 6SW and the Mall (Galleries) Shopping Centre, BS1 3XD.
Taunton County Court and Family Court Court location/ tribunal no. 347	The Shire Hall Taunton Somerset TA1 4EU	Enquiries: 01823 281 110  Court building open: Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm Court counter open: 10am to 2pm	On-site parking is not available at this venue. Paid off-site parking is available within 500m of this venue. Limited blue badge parking is available on site (please contact the venue for details).
Weston-super-Mare County Court and Family Court Court location/ tribunal no. 370	The Hedges St Georges Weston-Super-Mare Avon BS22 7BB	Appointments: 01934 528700 Fax: 0870 739 5826  Court building open: Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm Court counter open: By prior appointment only	Blue badge parking is available on site.
Yeovil County, Family and Magistrates' Court	The Law Courts Petters Way Yeovil Somerset BA20 1SW	County Court: 01935 382 150  County Court fax: 0870 324 0162  Court building open: 8:30am to 4:30pm (4pm Friday) Court counter open: 10am to 2pm	On-site parking is not available at this venue. Paid off-site parking is available within 500m of this venue. Limited blue badge parking is available on site (please contact the venue for details).

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

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

**Bristol, South Gloucestershire & North Somerset and Somerset Scheme Area Key Facts<sup>3</sup>**

<b>Number of courts in area</b>	<b>Five</b>			<b>Busiest days by Acts of Assistance</b>	<b>Bath</b>	<b>Friday (51%)</b>
					<b>Bristol</b>	<b>Tuesday (98%)</b>
					<b>Taunton</b>	<b>Friday (98%)</b>
					<b>Weston-super-Mare</b>	<b>Monday (100%)</b>
					<b>Yeovil</b>	<b>Thursday (98%)</b>
<b>Most common day of listing</b>	<b>Bath</b>	<b>Friday (55%)</b>	<b>Most common types of claimant</b>	<b>Bath</b>	<b>Social Landlord (53%)</b>	
	<b>Bristol</b>	<b>Tuesday (98%)</b>		<b>Bristol</b>	<b>Social Landlord (50%)</b>	
	<b>Taunton</b>	<b>Friday (93%)</b>		<b>Taunton</b>	<b>Social Landlord (51%)</b>	
	<b>Weston-super-Mare</b>	<b>Monday (99%)</b>		<b>Weston-super-Mare</b>	<b>Mortgage (49%)</b>	
	<b>Yeovil</b>	<b>Thursday (96%)</b>		<b>Yeovil</b>	<b>Social Landlord (50%)</b>	
<b>Most common time of listing</b>	<b>Bath</b>	<b>Morning (100%)</b>	<b>Most common types of hearing</b>	<b>Bath</b>	<b>Claims (42%)</b>	
	<b>Bristol</b>	<b>Morning (52%)</b>		<b>Bristol</b>	<b>Claims (41%)</b>	
	<b>Taunton</b>	<b>Morning (69%)</b>		<b>Taunton</b>	<b>Claims (44%)</b>	
	<b>Weston-super-Mare</b>	<b>Morning (100%)</b>		<b>Weston-super-Mare</b>	<b>Claims (41%)</b>	
	<b>Yeovil</b>	<b>Morning (84%)</b>		<b>Yeovil</b>	<b>Claims (42%)</b>	

<b>Number of Sessions</b>				<b>Fees paid</b>			
<b>Court</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>Court</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Bath</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Bath</b>	<b>£6,010.20</b>	<b>£6,224.85</b>	<b>£3,076.65</b>
<b>Bristol</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>Bristol</b>	<b>£21,250.35</b>	<b>£22,395.15</b>	<b>£26,115.75</b>
<b>Taunton</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Taunton</b>	<b>£4,936.95</b>	<b>£4,793.85</b>	<b>£3,577.50</b>
<b>Weston-super-Mare</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>Weston-super-Mare</b>	<b>£8,514.45</b>	<b>£9,015.30</b>	<b>£8,371.35</b>
<b>Yeovil</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Yeovil</b>	<b>£2,933.55</b>	<b>£2,003.40</b>	<b>£2,790.45</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>£43,645.50</b>	<b>£44,432.55</b>	<b>£43,931.70</b>

<b>Acts of assistance by day of the week</b>										
<b>Court</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Bath</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>51%</b>
<b>Bristol</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>930</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Taunton</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>98%</b>
<b>Weston-super-Mare</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Yeovil</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>944</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>16%</b>

<b>Acts of Assistance</b>				<b>Distribution of sessions by day of the week</b>						<b>Length of session</b>		
<b>Court</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>Court</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Afternoon</b>
<b>Bath</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>Bath</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Bristol</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>Bristol</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>48%</b>
<b>Taunton</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>Taunton</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>Weston-super-Mare</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>Weston-super-Mare</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Yeovil</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>Yeovil</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>25%</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	
Bath	0	0	0	274	94	45	89	145	71	156	36	384	225	95	48	75	98	50	69	27	395	263	109	58	93	107	54	65	32	479	
Bristol	4	14	13	2167	910	466	759	1191	1102	1363	587	2441	1881	898	541	643	1005	1413	643	455	2457	1814	809	470	672	876	1248	523	455	2415	
Taunton	1	0	0	511	200	101	211	272	114	336	76	769	472	177	92	167	257	132	181	115	737	419	145	78	153	152	101	128	120	598	
Weston-super-Mare	4	14	16	412	214	104	103	228	168	352	152	389	364	166	74	98	165	214	158	151	344	341	201	79	86	144	227	132	170	322	
Yeovil	0	0	0	586	203	127	243	294	170	374	110	799	407	158	104	165	236	145	217	89	619	391	163	98	161	183	112	169	115	600	
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>3950</b>	<b>1621</b>	<b>843</b>	<b>1405</b>	<b>2130</b>	<b>1625</b>	<b>2581</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>4782</b>	<b>3349</b>	<b>1494</b>	<b>859</b>	<b>1148</b>	<b>1761</b>	<b>1954</b>	<b>1268</b>	<b>837</b>	<b>4552</b>	<b>3228</b>	<b>1427</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>1165</b>	<b>1462</b>	<b>1742</b>	<b>1017</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>4414</b>	

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

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<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