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Scheme Area Guide:

Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme Area: North West Wales, North East Wales, and Central Wales

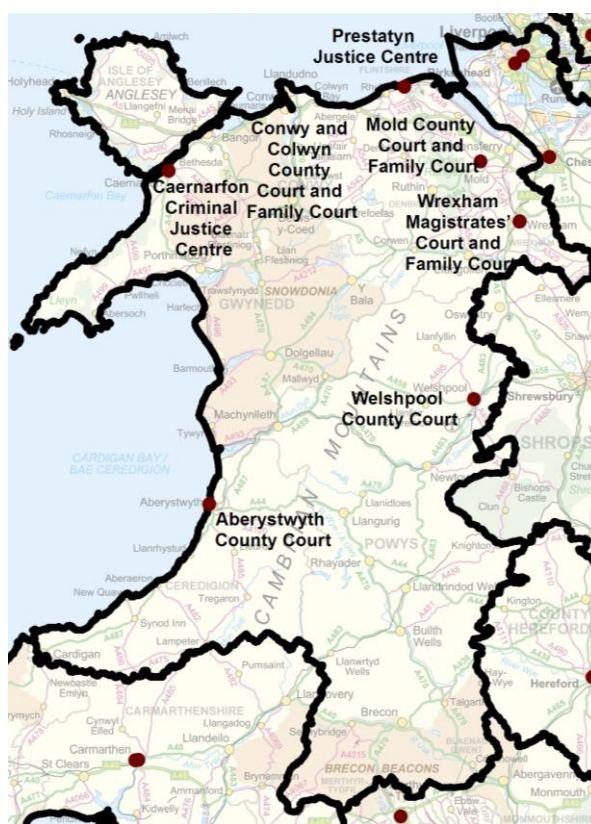
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Introduction

1. This guide is designed to provide information on the HPCDS Scheme Area of North West Wales, North East Wales and Central Wales 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 Aberystwyth County Court, Caernarfon Criminal Justice Centre, Conwy and Colwyn County Court and Family Court, Mold County Court and Family Court, Prestatyn Justice Centre, Welshpool County Court and Wrexham Magistrates' Court and Family Court.



Local Authority	Population ¹
Flintshire	154,074
Wrexham	136,647
Powys	132,642
Gwynedd	122,864
Conwy	116,218
Denbighshire	94,691
Ceredigion	74,642
Isle of Anglesey	69,979
Total	901,757

Main Settlements (30k+) ²
Wrexham
Colwyn Bay

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. Currently, there is one Alternative Hearing Venue: Llangefni Shire Hall, Glanhwfa Road, Anglesey, Llangefni, LL77 7TW. This Venue is expected to be used for one day per week. The listing court for these cases is in Caernarfon County Court.

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.

Court locations covered by this scheme	Address	Contact details and Opening times	Parking Information
Aberystwyth Justice Centre Court location/tribunal No.3253	Aberystwyth Justice Centre Y Lanfa Trefechan Aberystwyth Ceredigion SY23 1AS	Enquiries: 01970 621 250 Court building open: Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. Court enquiries open: 10am to 2pm	On-site parking is not available at this venue.
Caernarfon Criminal Justice Centre Court location code:3244	Caernarfon Criminal Justice Centre Llanberis Road Caernarfon Gwynedd LL55 2DF	Enquiries: 01286 669 700 Court building open: Monday to Thursday 9am to 5pm, Friday: 9am to 4:30pm Court counter open: Monday to Thursday 9am to 5pm, Friday 9am to 4:30 pm	A limited number of free parking spaces are available. There is also a Gwynedd Council run Pay & Display car park to the rear of the court.
Conwy and Colwyn County Court and Family Court Court location/tribunal No.178	Conwy Road Llandudno Conwy LL30 1GA	Enquiries: 01745 851916 Court building open: Hearings Only Telephones: 9am to 5.00pm	On-site parking is not available at this venue.
Mold County Court and Family Court Court location No.271	The Law Courts Civic Centre Mold Flintshire CH7 1AE	Enquiries: 01978 317 400 Court building open: 9:00am to 5:00pm. Court counter open: 10am to 2pm (hearing days only)	Off-site parking is not available within 500m of this venue. Limited blue badge parking is available on site (please contact the venue for details)
Prestatyn Justice Centre Court location/tribunal no. 308	Civil and Family Justice Centre Victoria Road Prestatyn Denbighshire LL19 7TE	Enquiries: 01745 851916 Court building open: 9.00am-5.00pm	Free on-site parking is available at this venue. Limited blue badge parking is available on site (please contact the venue for details).
Welshpool County Court and Family Court Court location/tribunal No.366	Welshpool Law Courts 24 Severn Street Welshpool Powys SY21 7UX	Enquiries: 01978 317 400 Court building open: 9:00am to 4:00pm. Court counter open: 10am to 2pm	On-site parking is not available at this venue. Limited blue badge parking is available on site (please contact the venue for details)
Wrexham Magistrates' Court and Family Court Court location No.3085	The Law Courts Civic Centre Mold Flintshire CH7 1AE	Magistrates' court: 01352 707 330 Court building open: 9:30am to 4:30pm (4pm Friday)	On-site parking is not available at this venue.

Projected HPCDS volumes in the Scheme Area

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

North West Wales, North East Wales and Central Wales Scheme Area Key Facts³

Number of courts in area	Seven*			Busiest days by Acts of Assistance				Aberystwyth	Friday (82%)
								Caernarfon	Wednesday (100%)
								Conwy and Colwyn	Monday (54%)
								Mold	Wednesday (89%)
								Prestatyn	Tuesday (100%)
								Rhyl	Tuesday (92%)
								Welshpool	Thursday (93%)
								Wrexham	Thursday (84%)
Most common day for sessions	Aberystwyth	Friday (76%)	Most common types of claimant				Aberystwyth	Mortgage (49%)	
	Caernarfon	Wednesday (100%)					Caernarfon	Mortgage (53%)	
	Conwy and Colwyn	Monday (60%)					Conwy and Colwyn	Mortgage (51%)	
	Mold	Wednesday (95%)					Mold	Mortgage (52%)	
	Prestatyn	Tuesday (100%)					Prestatyn	NOT AVAILABLE	
	Rhyl	Tuesday (93%)					Rhyl	Mortgage (55%)	
	Welshpool	Thursday (98%)					Welshpool	Social Landlord (55%)	
	Wrexham	Thursday (86%)					Wrexham	Social Landlord (62%)	
Most common time for sessions	Aberystwyth	Morning (100%)	Most common types of hearing				Aberystwyth	Claims (41%)	
	Caernarfon	Morning (100%)					Caernarfon	Claims (42%)	
	Conwy and Colwyn	Morning (100%)					Conwy and Colwyn	Claims (39%)	
	Mold	Morning (99%)					Mold	Claims (39%)	
	Prestatyn	Morning (100%)					Prestatyn	NOT AVAILABLE	
	Rhyl	Morning (94%)					Rhyl	Claims (41%)	
	Welshpool	Morning (100%)					Welshpool	Claims (39%)	
	Wrexham	Morning (99%)					Wrexham	Claims (39%)	
Number of Sessions				Fees paid					
Court	2014	2015	2016	Court	2014	2015	2016		
Aberystwyth	17	12	13	Aberystwyth	£1,216.35	£715.50	£858.60		
Caernarfon	24	19	22	Caernarfon	£2,647.35	£1,717.20	£2,003.40		
Conwy and Colwyn	2	34	36	Conwy and Colwyn	£214.65	£2,718.90	£2,575.80		
Mold	50	50	50	Mold	£4,221.45	£3,720.60	£3,649.05		
Prestatyn	0	0	7	Prestatyn	£0	£0	£715.50		
Rhyl	50	59	49	Rhyl	£4,793.85	£5,080.05	£4,293.00		
Welshpool	35	37	34	Welshpool	£2,432.70	£2,790.45	£2,575.80		
Wrexham	57	54	60	Wrexham	£5,580.90	£5,008.50	£5,724.00		
Total	235	265	271	Total	£21,107.25	£21,751.20	£22,395.15		

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 by day of the week										
Court	Monday	%	Tuesday	%	Wednesday	%	Thursday	%	Friday	%
Aberystwyth	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	9%	9	82%
Caernarfon	0	0%	0	0%	67	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Conwy and Colwyn	21	54%	0	0%	1	3%	0	0%	17	44%
Mold	3	5%	3	5%	55	89%	1	2%	0	0%
Prestatyn	0	0%	8	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Rhyl	2	1%	128	92%	2	1%	3	2%	4	3%
Welshpool	0	0%	1	7%	0	0%	14	93%	0	0%
Wrexham	6	4%	6	4%	6	4%	127	84%	6	4%
Total	32	7%	146	30%	131	27%	146	30%	36	7%

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
Aberystwyth	6	4	1	Aberystwyth	5%	0%	2%	14%	76%	0%	100%	0%
Caernarfon	28	19	20	Caernarfon	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
Conwy and Colwyn	2	19	18	Conwy and Colwyn	60%	0%	1%	0%	39%	0%	100%	0%
Mold	31	18	13	Mold	2%	2%	95%	1%	0%	0%	99%	1%
Prestatyn	0	0	8	Prestatyn	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
Rhyl	48	49	42	Rhyl	1%	93%	1%	2%	3%	0%	94%	6%
Welshpool	6	5	4	Welshpool	0%	1%	1%	98%	0%	0%	100%	0%
Wrexham	53	42	56	Wrexham	3%	4%	4%	86%	4%	0%	99%	1%
Total	174	156	162	Total	7%	21%	28%	34%	9%	0%	98%	2%

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	
Aberystwyth	11	8	12	67	18	16	23	41	19	75	7	64	59	21	8	22	32	6	53	7	76	58	24	15	9	27	9	60	15	49	
Caernarfon	9	7	10	229	95	68	85	135	40	227	26	319	160	74	60	54	96	35	125	35	249	182	67	49	62	103	43	135	39	246	
Conwy and Colwyn	1	19	20	221	101	59	71	175	87	284	51	205	150	62	35	59	101	7	107	60	233	98	42	25	46	86	0	82	32	183	
Mold	28	34	38	217	94	63	74	147	59	263	28	245	122	64	13	50	99	27	136	36	149	138	60	0	53	81	36	104	32	160	
Prestatyn	0	0	2	NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM HMCTS																											
Rhyl	19	22	19	353	151	78	127	224	117	422	103	291	293	158	70	96	202	195	217	92	315	297	174	70	57	185	209	213	107	254	
Welshpool	31	34	32	108	38	33	48	57	18	97	11	158	81	36	9	33	46	14	68	9	114	81	30	0	30	42	16	68	6	93	
Wrexham	25	28	24	415	231	136	152	339	99	391	82	701	410	182	194	172	280	78	271	61	828	355	217	200	137	278	127	247	83	730	
Total	124	152	157	1610	728	453	580	1118	439	1759	308	1983	1275	597	389	486	856	362	977	300	1964	1209	614	359	394	802	440	909	314	1715	

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 Prestatyn County Court is the listing court for cases previously handled at the now-closed Rhyl County Court and so is a new addition to the HPCDS scheme. As such, there is no historical listing information and limited LAA data for the period covered by the data above. The data for Rhyl is included for illustrative purposes and does not represent the actual volume or value of HPCDS work transferred to Prestatyn.***

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