

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE RULE COMMITTEE
MEETING ON FRIDAY 21st MARCH, 2025 at 1.30 p.m.
MINISTRY OF JUSTICE
CONFERENCE ROOMS 1A & B, LOWER GROUND FLOOR
102 PETTY FRANCE, LONDON SW1
and by video conference
AGENDA

1. Welcome, apologies for absence and announcements
2. Draft minutes of the meeting held on 7th February, 2025
3. Case management group report
4. Part 3 (Case management), Part 18 (Measures to help a witness or defendant to give evidence or otherwise participate): intermediaries – survey by Intermediaries for Justice CrimPRC(25)02
5. Part 1 (The overriding objective), Part 5 (Forms and court records), Part 6 (Reporting, etc. restrictions): open justice and the overriding objective CrimPRC(25)12
6. Part 5 (Forms and court records): access to information in court records CrimPRC(25)13
7. Part 5 (Forms and court records): recording and transcription of proceedings in the Crown Court – amended revision of rule 5.5 CrimPRC(25)14
8. Part 6 (Reporting, etc. restrictions): notice to reporters of application for reporting restriction CrimPRC(25)15
CrimPRC(25)16
9. Part 7 (Starting a prosecution in a magistrates’ court), Part 24 (Trial and sentence in a magistrates’ court): consultation on private prosecution CrimPRC(25)17
10. Part 24 (Trial and sentence in a magistrates’ court): adjourning plea in a youth court CrimPRC(25)18
11. Part 25 (Trial and sentence in the Crown Court): advocate’s waiver at trial of defendant’s right to attend CrimPRC(25)19
12. Part 25 (Trial and sentence in the Crown Court): involuntary absence of defendant from trial CrimPRC(25)20
CrimPRC(25)21
13. Parts 34 to 43 (Appeal): Law Commission consultation paper “Criminal appeals” CrimPRC(25)22

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- 14. Part 48 (Contempt of court): alignment of procedure rules working group**
CrimPRC(25)23
- 15. Crime and Policing Bill – content**
CrimPRC(25)24
- 16. Guidance for unrepresented defendants: further progress report**
- 17. Criminal Procedure Rules and the victims’ code: preliminary report**
- 18. Any other business**
- 19. Dates of next meetings: Friday 2nd May, 2025**
Friday 6th June, 2025 (rule-signing meeting)