

**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE RULE COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING ON FRIDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MAY, 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 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2025
3. Case management group report
4. Criminal Procedure Rules 2025 CrimPRC(25)25
5. Part 6 (Reporting, etc. restrictions): notice to reporters of application for reporting restriction CrimPRC(25)15  
CrimPRC(25)16  
*Discussion of papers (25)15 & 16 was postponed on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2025*
6. Part 3 (Case management), Part 24 (Trial and sentence in a magistrates' court), Part 25 (Trial and sentence in the Crown Court): pre-trial consideration of observation and reporting arrangements CrimPRC(25)26
7. Part 24 (Trial and sentence in a magistrates' court): adjourning plea in a youth court CrimPRC(25)18  
*Discussion of paper (25)18 was postponed on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2025*
8. Part 25 (Trial and sentence in the Crown Court): advocate's waiver at trial of defendant's right to attend CrimPRC(25)19  
*Discussion of paper (25)19 was postponed on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2025*
9. Part 25 (Trial and sentence in the Crown Court): involuntary absence of defendant from trial CrimPRC(25)20  
CrimPRC(25)21  
CrimPRC(25)20 Addendum  
*Discussion of papers (25)20 & 21 was postponed on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2025*
10. Part 48 (Contempt of court): alignment of procedure rules working group CrimPRC(25)23  
*Discussion of paper (25)23 was postponed on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2025*
11. Part 2 (Understanding and applying the Rules; powers and duties of court officers and justices' legal advisers): amendment of community or suspended sentence order on change of defendant's residence CrimPRC(25)27

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- 12. Part 15 (Disclosure), Part 17 (Witness summonses, warrants and orders): consultation on victim information requests** **CrimPRC(25)28**
- 13. Part 17 (Witness summonses, warrants and orders): procedure on the taking of a deposition under Schedule 3, Crime and Disorder Act 1998** **CrimPRC(25)29**
- 14. Part 19 (Expert evidence): disclosure and declarations by expert witnesses** **CrimPRC(25)30**
- 15. Crime and Policing Bill – content** **CrimPRC(25)24**  
*Discussion of paper (25)24 was postponed on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2025*
- 16. Guidance for unrepresented defendants: further progress report** **CrimPRC(25)31**  
*This report was circulated by email on 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2025*
- 17. Criminal Procedure Rules and the victims’ code: preliminary report** **CrimPRC(25)32**  
*This report was circulated by email on 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2025*
- 18. Any other business**
- 19. Dates of next meetings: Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2025**  
**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2025** (proposed rule-signing meeting: see item 4, paper CrimPRC(25)25)