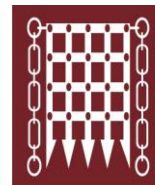


Westminster Legal Policy Forum keynote seminar
Next steps for court modernisation - new technology and working practices, the shift to virtual courtrooms, and ensuring access to justice

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Wasserman, Former Government Advisor on Policing and Criminal Justice
- 9.05 **'HMCTS - reform, resilience and recovery'**
Kevin Sadler, Acting Chief Executive, HM Courts & Tribunals Service
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 **Progress with the court modernisation programme**
Yvonne Gallagher, Director of Digital, National Audit Office
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.00 Break
- 10.05 **Modernisation and the criminal and civil justice workforce - adopting new ways of working, new skills and remote hearings**
Derek Sweeting QC, Chair-Elect, The Bar Council
I. Stephanie Boyce, Vice-President, The Law Society
Jo Hynes, Research Fellow in Online Courts, Public Law Project
Dr Jo Easton, Deputy Chief Executive and Director, Policy and Research, Magistrates Association
David Johnson, Partner, Complex and Catastrophic Injury, DAC Beachcroft Claims
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.55 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Wasserman, Former Government Advisor on Policing and Criminal Justice
- 11.00 Break
- 11.10 **Chair's opening remarks**
Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws
- 11.15 **Transitioning to online courts - priorities for delivering justice through virtual courtrooms and the impact of artificial intelligence, virtual reality, and asynchronous processes**
Professor Richard Susskind, IT Advisor to The Lord Chief Justice
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 Break
- 11.50 **'The future of justice - why justice depends on data'**
Dr Natalie Byrom, Director of Research and Learning, The Legal Education Foundation
- 12.00 **Court infrastructure - technology, collecting data and preventing digital exclusion**
Penelope Gibbs, Director, Transform Justice
Paul Yates, Counsel, Freshfields Bruckhaus Derringer
Dr Lisa Wintersteiger, Chief Executive, Law for Life
Alistair Murray, Managing Director and Client Partner, Justice and Central Government, Capita
- 12.30 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Legal Policy Forum closing remarks**
Baroness Kennedy of The Shaws
Helen Crocker, Forum Lead, Westminster Business Forum