

## **Administrative Court User Group Meeting**

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2025**

**9:15am in person**

### **Approved Minutes**

#### **Present:**

Chamberlain J, Ben Wood, Monika Patel, Mark Hamilton, Geraint Evans, Philip Shearer, Vincent Lyddon, Oludotun Onasanya, Iwona Chuchla, Rakesh Singh, Amy Tshobotko, Sahil Kher, Emily Norman, Sasha Rozansky, Grace Benton, Natalie Stevens, Jed Pennington, Jamie Beagent, Moshe Bordon, Christina Parkinson, Angela Warwick & others

#### **Apologies:**

Georgina Surry  
Nasrat Zar  
Sarah Christou  
Jyoti Gill  
Lydia Watton  
Sarah Christou  
Katie Meredith

Meeting started 9:15am Chamberlain J (**CJ**) thanked all for attending.

#### **1. Minutes of last meeting/matters arising**

The draft minutes of the last meeting were agreed without amendment.

#### **2. Court Performance**

**CJ** noted that the Renewal targets were still not being met but the target for listing Hearings was being hit.

There was no particular trend with Immediate Applications which average 2/3 per day and these were being managed generally in time.

#### **3. Parliamentary Privilege – Elizabeth Mackie**

**CJ** explained that parties should proactively alert the Parliamentary authorities where such questions arise. Guidance on the practice point will be included in the 2026 edition of the Guide.

#### **4. Use of AI in Pleadings – Amy Tschobotko**

Amy Tschobotko (**AM**) asked if claims created by the use of AI is having an impact on the Court's work, in particular, the volume of the number of applications and the accuracy of them. The issues are that Litigants in Person are producing claims that are not accurate.

**CJ** asked if this was a common problem?

The general replies were that the number of these claims are increasing.

**CJ** said that there would be an update on the use of AI in the next edition of the ACO Guide.

#### **5. CPR 2.11 – Rakesh Singh**

Rakesh Singh (**RS**) said that CPR 2.11 is used to streamline proceedings by allowing time limits to be varied but noted this is not included in the ACO Guide and asked for it to be included in the next edition.

**CJ** explained that time limits can be varied by consent where CPR 2.11 is not mentioned in a Judge's order. The template order for an expedited hearing suggests that CPR 2.11 is disapplied as maintaining a tight timetable is essential to avoid imperilling the listing of the hearing. Any application to vary that timetable will be a matter for consideration by a Judge or ACO Lawyers with delegated powers.

#### **6. Draft Judgments- Sahil Kher**

Sahil Kher (**SK**) asked for clarification as to the extent to which a Draft Judgement is embargoed and whether the existence of a draft judgment is itself subject to an embargo.

**CJ** explained that guidance will need to come from the Judiciary to clarify the point once there is an agreed position on this issue. Possible options could include a public statement that judgment will be given on a particular date, aligning with the approach of the Court of Appeal as to advance notification in its cause list or amending the standard embargo. In the meantime, practitioners should check with the individual judge.

**CJ** will communicate with the Judiciary.

#### **7. Q & A**

**CJ** asked about communication with the Admin office.

Emily Norman (**EN**) said that communication by telephone had improved.

It was also noted that there was an improvement with communication via email

Geraint Evans (**GE**) reminded the group that if you are lodging an application via CE-Filing to not also lodge via email as this causes unnecessary duplication.

Also, when sending emails, to please avoid sending to multiple inboxes. The general rule is that if a case has a reference, the email should be directed to the Case Progression Team inbox. All other enquiries are to be sent to the General Office inbox.

Sasha Rozansky (**SR**) mentioned that she had a query with N244 urgent applications not being dealt with on time. She has sent an email with approx. 10 cases to Monika Patel (**MP**).

**MP** advised that these cases are being investigated.

**8.     AOB/Next meeting**

There was no AOB

**CJ** thanked all for attending and advised that the next CUG meeting will be in December and online.

**Meeting ended 10:00 am.**