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# POLICING AND PROSECUTION CONFERENCE 2011

THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE

TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2011, LONDON

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- Elected Police and Crime Commissioners
- Changes to bail, remand and legal aid
- Amendments to the PACE codes
- Application of corporate manslaughter legislation to cases of death in police custody
- Retention of DNA and duties to protect victims and witnesses
- Reviews of disclosure in criminal cases



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Policing and the prosecution of crime has never been so high-profile or so controversial. From legislation implementing new arrangements for police accountability, through measures designed to save money in an era of austerity, to important new case-law – a fundamentally new landscape is emerging.

Amongst recent and imminent legislative changes are: elected Police and Crime Commissioners; changes to bail, remand and legal aid; amendments to the PACE codes; and the application of corporate manslaughter legislation to cases of death in police custody.

Significant new case-law will affect public order policing, retention of DNA and duties to protect victims and witnesses.

And further important developments are in the pipeline – such as reviews of disclosure in criminal cases and of all aspects of victim support.

The Policing and Prosecution Conference will examine the new arrangements in detail and look at their implications for your work.

Specialist breakout sessions will examine the key topical issues in:

- Public order policing
- Duties to victims and witnesses
- Police detention
- Surveillance and disclosure

This will be an ideal opportunity to gain an overview of these fundamental changes and to discuss their impact with speakers and delegates from a wide range of perspectives.

## WHAT DO THESE DRAMATIC CHANGES MEAN FOR PRACTITIONERS AND POLICY-MAKERS?

- Policing the streets – from political protest to urban disorder, what is new in this perennially controversial field?
- Protecting victims and witnesses – how do key recent cases affect the law?
- Elected Police Commissioners – how will this fundamentally new development affect the day-to-day work of the police?
- Police detention – how will the corporate manslaughter provisions be applied?
- Surveillance – how will changes to the Regulations of Investigatory Powers Act affect the law in this area?
- Police bail – in the aftermath of *Hookway* and emergency bail legislation, how is the system working in practice?
- PACE Codes – what has been the effect of February 2011's amendments to codes A (stop and search), B (searching premises) and D (identification)?

## WILL YOU BENEFIT FROM ATTENDING?

If your work requires any knowledge of the law relating to policing or the prosecution of offences, this conference is the ideal forum for ensuring you are fully up to date with developments in these fast-moving and controversial areas. Attendance will be of most benefit to:

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**9.30 MORNING PLENARY SESSION: RECENT LEGAL DEVELOPMENTS IN POLICING AND PROSECUTION**

**INTRODUCTION FROM THE CHAIR**

*Suzanne Lambert, One Crown Office Row*

**KEYNOTE SPEECH**

*Keir Starmer QC, Director of Public Prosecutions*

**10:00 PLENARY SPEECH: KEY DEVELOPMENTS IN POLICE LAW**

*Tim Owen QC, Matrix Chambers*

A comprehensive review of the recent and imminent changes and how they affect the law relating to the police

**10.30 QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION**

11.00 COFFEE BREAK

**11.15 MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

*(please choose one session from following two)*

**1. PUBLIC ORDER POLICING**

*John Halford, Bindmans*

*Iain Steele, Blackstone Chambers*

From student and environmental protests to the widespread disorder seen on the streets this summer, public order policing is an issue in the spotlight. Explore:

- The latest law with regards to stop and search
- Recent case-law including *R(Moos and McClure) v MPC* and *R(Castle) v MPC*

**2. DUTIES TO VICTIMS AND WITNESSES**

*Nogah Ofer, Bhatt Murphy Solicitors*

*Simon Spence QC, 18 Red Lion Court*

Victim and witness rights at the investigative and trial stages have been under increasing scrutiny in the recent past. Examine:

- The positive obligations arising from the key cases of *AP v HM Coroner Worcestershire, OOO and others v MPC* and *Rantsev v Cyprus*.
- Other significant developments regarding CPS decision-making, domestic homicide reviews and the Ministry of Justice and CPS reviews of victim support

12.45 LUNCH

**13.45 AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

*(please choose one session from following two)*

**3. POLICE DETENTION**

*Hugh Davies, 3 Raymond Buildings*

*Alison Macdonald, Matrix Chambers*

Examine in detail:

- Application of Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007 to police detention as of September 2011
- Duties imposed by the Human Rights Act 1998 and other enactments
- Bail - the landmark case of *Hookway* and the consequent Police (Bail and Detention) Act 2011 Bail, now the subject of legal controversy

**4. SURVEILLANCE AND DISCLOSURE**

*Eric Metcalfe, Monckton Chambers*

*Stephen H Smith, Legal Adviser, Attorney General's Office*

Discuss upcoming significant changes developing these key areas, including:

- The rules governing surveillance laid down by the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 which (will be amended by the Protection of Freedoms Act)
- Lord Justice Gross's review of disclosure in criminal cases and the issue of public interest immunity

15.15 TEA BREAK

**15.30 AFTERNOON PLENARY SESSION: THE NEW POLICING LANDSCAPE**

*Sir Hugh Orde, President, Association of Chief Police Officers*

*(to be confirmed)*

2011 is a year of enormous change for the police. Consider and assess:

- The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act heralding the radical innovation of democratically elected Police and Crime Commissioners
- The challenge of government spending cuts and maintaining police effectiveness on smaller budgets
- Increased pressure from public protest and civil disorder
- The effect of corruption allegations surrounding the phone-hacking scandal and the on-going Leveson Inquiry
- Issues arising from the inquest into the death of Ian Tomlinson

Sir Hugh will then join a panel of experts to analyse and discuss the issues and to answer questions from delegates.

**16.00 PANEL DISCUSSION**

*Deborah Glass, Chief Executive, Independent Police Complaints Commission*

*Jules Carey, Tuckers Solicitors*

*Chaired by: Roger Smith, JUSTICE*

17.00 CLOSE

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