

London Victims Board September 2025

Monday 8 September 2025, 2-4pm (Online via Teams link)

Attendees:

London Victims' Commissioner – Independent Chair

The Bar Council

Citizens Advice

Crown Prosecution Service

Hundred Families (representing Victim Reference Group)

His Majesty's Courts and Tribunals Service

Judiciary

London Heads of Community Safety

Magistrates' Association

Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime

Metropolitan Police Service

Ministry of Justice

NHS

Parole Board

Probation Service London

Victim Support

Agenda items:

1. Welcome, introductions, and apologies

The Chair welcomed all members to the meeting, introductions were made and apologies were noted. The Chair was congratulated on her appointment as National Victims' Commissioner. The next Victims Board on 18 November will be her last as Chair of Victims Board. Please see latest version of the minutes and action log for updates. The minutes from June 2025 were accepted.

2. London Victim Attrition Review

The Chair presented on the London Victim Attrition Review and the recommendations for the Metropolitan Police Service, Crown Prosecution Service and Ministry of Justice were discussed.

3. Courts and Sentencing Reviews

The Ministry of Justice (MoJ) provided updates on the key provisions of the Sentencing Bill and its implications were discussed. The MoJ provided an overview of the recommendations in Sir Brian Leveson's Independent Review of the Criminal Courts.

4. London Court Backlogs

His Majesty's Courts and Tribunal Service presented on London Crown Court Performance.

5. Crown Prosecution Service's Victim Care Update

The Crown Prosecution Service presented on their Victims' Code compliance data and their victim transformation programme.

6. Metropolitan Police Service's Victim Care Update

The Metropolitan Police Service updated on their victim strategy and their Victims' Code compliance data.

7. Partner updates

Partners provided updates on current programmes of work.

8. AOB

None.

Close of meeting.