FACULTY OFFICE

Quarterly Master's Council Meeting

held on Monday, 12 January 2026 held via Zoom and in the office

AGENDA

Welcome and apologies

Opening matters : Declarations of interest relevant to the business of the meeting

PART I – England & Wales Notarial Matters

1. **Wellbeing & Law Care initiatives –** Presentation by Elizabeth Rimmer, CeO of LawCare

2. **Faculty Office**

   (i) Matters arising that are not covered in the agenda
   (ii) Review of previous Minutes of meeting and action points
   (iii) Financial update (SC)
   (iv) Away Day – Agenda / Planning (JC)
   (v) House of Lords Committee on Industry and Regulators – inquiry into regulators and growth (Letter from Baroness Taylor of Bolton)

3. **Risk register** – Update (IB)

4. **Horizon Scanning** – Update (IB)

5. **LSB matters**

   (i) LSB Regulatory Performance Assessment – Action Plan (JC)
   (ii) LSB consultation on encouraging a diverse legal profession – update (HJD)

6. **The Master's priorities**

   Protecting and promoting the interests of the Consumer

   Priority 1: Practice authorisation (IB)
   Priority 2: Review of insurance arrangements (NT)

   Protecting and promoting the public interest and promoting and maintaining adherence to the professional principles

Priority 3: Review of disciplinary arrangements (IB)
Priority 4: Consolidation of accounts rules (NT)
Priority 5: Develop and outcomes framework (JC & Team)
Priority 6: Professional ethics (IB)
Priority 7: Review inspections work (MB)

Encouraging an independent, strong, diverse and effective legal profession

Priority 8: Diversity – Sonnet DEI research report (JC)
Priority 9: Post-qualification supervision of probate and conveyancing (IB)
Priority 10: Wellbeing (HJD)
Priority 11: AI and New technology (IB)

Supporting the constitutional principle of the rule of law and legal education

Priority 12: Rule of law lectures (HJD)

Increasing public understanding of the citizen's legal rights and duties and improving access to justice

Priority 13: Access to justice (HJD)
Priority 14: Wales (HJD)

7. **AML matters**

   (i) AML Reform -update (MB)
   (ii) Management Information Report (MB)

8. **Papers for noting:**

   (i) Advisory Board – Notes of meeting held on 9th December 2025
   (ii) Legal Services Consumer Panel – Regulatory Leadership on Access to Justice
   (iii) Legal Services Consumer Panel – Service Delivery Research

9. **AOB**

PART II – Overseas Notarial Matters

These items are not for publication

PART III – Ecclesiastical Matters

These items are not for publication.

Date of next meeting

09 February 2026 – Monthly Master's Meeting

13 April 2026 – Quarterly Master's Meeting