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Department: **Legal**  
Title: **Legal Hearings lead**  
Description: **Legal hearing leads**

**Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)**

1. Which department or departments are responsible for overseeing legal affairs when your council is a party to a legal Hearing e.g. Legal Services, HR? Legal hearings such as those brought against the council – (high court, criminal proceedings), or more internal matters eg. Employment Tribunal
  - i. Please can you provide the name and contact details of the people overseeing this department(s)?
  - ii. Within this department(s), please, can you provide the details of staff who are responsible for day-to-day managing of the following legal areas; Commercial Litigation, Crime, Crime-Fraud, Employment, Intellectual Property, Litigation General.
2. Which department or departments are responsible for managing/supporting staff who are giving evidence at a legal hearing i.e. providing time off to attend court or providing support with training.
  - i. Please can you provide the name and contact details of the people overseeing this department(s)?

**Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)**

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(ii) The same as sub-paragraph (i) above.
2. The departments in which the officer witness is employed.
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