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These changes have been necessitated by a review of the Magistrates Court Schedule by Presiding District Judge (MC) Bagnall.

An amended Schedule follows at the end of this Direction.

LORD CHIEF JUSTICE’S DIRECTIONS UNDER ARTICLE 11(3)
OF THE MAGISTRATES’ COURTS (NORTHERN IRELAND)
ORDER 1981

MAGISTRATES’ COURTS

Amendment

Schedule 2 to the Lord Chancellor’s Directions dated 24 May 1990 and published in the issue of “Northern Ireland Court Business” No.4/90 shall be amended

with effect from 1 May 2018 as follows :

Page 1 : Petty Sessions at Antrim

Column 5 : Other Business

Delete : 5th where it appears opposite Monday
 4th where it appears opposite Thursday

Insert : 1st & 5th where it appears opposite Monday

Column 6 : Youth

Delete : 2nd & 4th where it appears opposite Monday

Column 8 : Domestic

Delete : 3rd where it appears opposite Thursday

Column 9 : Youth and Domestic

Insert : 3rd where it appears opposite Wednesday

Page 1 : Petty Sessions at Ards

Column 8 : Domestic

Insert : 3rd where it appears opposite Thursday

Page 1 : **Petty Sessions at Armagh**

Column 6 : Youth

Delete : 3rd where it appears opposite Friday

Column 8 : Domestic

Insert : 3rd where it appears opposite Friday

Column 9 : Youth and Domestic

Delete : 4th where it appears opposite Friday

Page 2 : **Petty Sessions at Ballymena**

Column 5 : Other Business

Delete : 3rd where it appears opposite Tuesday
4th & 5th where it appears opposite Wednesday

Insert : 4th where it appears opposite Monday
4th where it appears opposite Wednesday

Column 6 : Youth

Delete : 2nd & 4th where it appears opposite Wednesday

Column 7 : Family

Delete : 2nd & 4th where it appears opposite Monday
1st & 3rd where it appears opposite Thursday

Insert : 1st, 2nd & 3rd where it appears opposite Monday
2nd where it appears opposite Wednesday

Column 8 : Domestic

Delete : 1st & 3rd where it appears opposite Wednesday

Column 9 : Youth and Domestic

Insert : 1st where it appears opposite Wednesday

Page 2 : **Petty Sessions at Banbridge**

Column 9 : Youth and Domestic

Delete : 3rd where it appears opposite Monday

Column 8 : Domestic

Insert : 1st where it appears opposite Monday

Page 2 : **Petty Sessions at Belfast and Newtownabbey**

Column 9 : Place and Time

Delete : Family Courts which commence at 9.45am

Insert : Family Courts which commence at 10am

Page 3 : **Petty Sessions at Craigavon**

Column 5 : Other Business

Delete : 5th where it appears opposite Monday
5th where it appears opposite Thursday

Insert : 3rd & 5th where it appears opposite Monday

Column 6 : Youth

Delete : 2nd & 4th where it appears opposite Tuesday

Insert : 2nd where it appears opposite Tuesday
4th where it appears opposite Thursday

Column 7 : Family

Insert : 4th where it appears opposite Monday

Column 8 : Domestic

Delete : 3rd where it appears opposite Thursday

Page 3 : **Petty Sessions at Down**

Column 6 : Youth

Delete : 1st & 3rd where it appears opposite Tuesday

Insert : 3rd where it appears opposite Tuesday

Page 3 : **Petty Sessions at East Tyrone**

Column 6 : Youth

Delete : 1st, 2nd & 4th where it appears opposite Monday
3rd & 5th where it appears opposite Tuesday

Insert : 1st, 2nd & 3rd where it appears opposite Monday
5th where it appears opposite Tuesday

Column 8 : Domestic

Delete : 2nd where it appears opposite Tuesday

Column 9 : Youth and Domestic

Insert : 3rd where it appears opposite Tuesday

Page 4 : **Petty Sessions at Londonderry**

Column 7 : Family

Delete : 1st, 2nd & 4th where it appears opposite Thursday

Insert : Every where it appears opposite Thursday

Page 4 : **Petty Sessions at Magherafelt**

Column 5 : Other Business

Delete : 1st where it appears opposite Monday

Column 8 : Domestic
Insert : 3rd where it appears opposite Wednesday

Column 9 : Youth and Domestic

Delete : 3rd where it appears opposite Monday

Page 5 : **Petty Sessions at Omagh**

Column 5 : Other Business

Delete : 5th where it appears opposite Wednesday
2nd & 4th where it appears opposite Friday

Insert : 4th where it appears opposite Monday

Column 6 : Youth

Delete : 3rd where it appears opposite Wednesday

Insert : 4th where it appears opposite Monday

Column 9 : Youth and Domestic

Delete : 1st where it appears opposite Friday

Insert : 2nd where it appears opposite Monday

SCHEDULE 2
Places and days for sittings of Petty Sessions

MAGISTRATES' COURT	PLACE AND TIME	WARDS	NATURE OF BUSINESS/DAY OF MONTH						PLACE OF HEARING OF APPEALS
(1)	(2)	(3)	DAY (4)	OTHER BUSINESS (5)	YOUTH (6)	FAMILY (7)	DOMESTIC (8)	YOUTH AND DOMESTIC (9)	(10)
ANTRIM	Antrim All sittings commence at 10.00am. Video Link Remand Courts sit at 9.30am every Tuesday	All wards	Monday	1st & 5th					Ballymena
			Tuesday	Every					
			Wednesday					3rd	
			Thursday						
			Friday						
ARDS Also incorporates all Castlereagh & North Down PS District sittings	Newtownards All sittings commence at 10.30am except Youth Courts which sit at 10am. Youth Video Link Remands sit at 9.30am on Tuesdays.	All wards	Monday			1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th			Newtownards
			Tuesday	Every	2nd & 4th				
			Wednesday	Every		1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th			
			Thursday	Every		1st, 3rd & 4th			
			Friday	1st, 2nd, 3rd & 5th			4th		
ARMAGH	Armagh All sittings commence at 10.30 am. Video Link Remand Courts sit at 10.00am every Tuesday	All wards	Monday	2nd					Newry
			Tuesday	Every					
			Wednesday						
			Thursday						
			Friday	3rd			3rd		

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MAGISTRATES' COURT	PLACE AND TIME	WARDS	NATURE OF BUSINESS/DAY OF MONTH						PLACE OF HEARING OF APPEALS			
(1)	(2)	(3)	DAY (4)	OTHER BUSINESS (5)	YOUTH (6)	FAMILY (7)	DOMESTIC (8)	YOUTH AND DOMESTIC (9)	(10)			
BALLYMENA Also Incorporates all Larne PS District sittings	Ballymena	All wards	Monday	4th		1st, 2nd & 3rd Ø			Ballymena			
			Tuesday									
			Wednesday	4th		2nd#		1st				
			Thursday	Every								
			Friday			Every#						
BANBRIDGE	Banbridge sitting at Newry All sittings commence at 10.30am	All wards	Monday	1st			1st		Banbridge sitting at Newry			
				Tuesday								
				Wednesday								
				Thursday	1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th							
				Friday								
BELFAST AND NEWTOWNABBEY	Laganside Courts Complex	All wards	Monday	Every	Every	Every			Belfast			
				Tuesday	Every		Every					
				Wednesday	Every			Every				
				Thursday	Every		Every					
				Friday	Every	Every	Every					
All sittings commence at 10.30am except: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adult Video Link Remand Courts which commence at 9.45am each day.• Family Courts which commence at 10am.• Domestic Courts which commence at 10am.• Fixed Penalty Enforcement Courts which commence at 12.00 noon each Tuesday.												

Ø Ballymena Family Proceedings Court sits at Coleraine on the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Mondays
Ballymena Family Proceedings Courts at Antrim on the 2nd Wednesday and 4th Friday

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MAGISTRATES' COURT	PLACE AND TIME	WARDS	NATURE OF BUSINESS/DAY OF MONTH						PLACE OF HEARING OF APPEALS
(1)	(2)	(3)	DAY (4)	OTHER BUSINESS (5)	YOUTH (6)	FAMILY (7)	DOMESTIC (8)	YOUTH AND DOMESTIC (9)	(10)
CASTLEREAGH Castlereagh PS District sittings are included in the Ards PS District schedule	Newtownards	All wards	Monday						Newtownards
			Tuesday						
			Wednesday						
			Thursday						
			Friday						
CRAIGAVON	Craigavon All sittings commence at 10.30am. Video Link Remand Courts sit at 9:45am every Friday	All wards	Monday	3rd & 5th		4th	1st		Craigavon
			Tuesday	1st	2 nd				
			Wednesday	Every		1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th*			
			Thursday		4th	1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th			
			Friday	Every					
DOWN	Downpatrick All sittings commence at 10.00am Video Link Remand Courts sit at 9.30am every Thursday	All wards	Monday	Every			1st		Downpatrick
			Tuesday		3rd				
			Wednesday						
			Thursday	Every					
			Friday						
EAST TYRONE	Dungannon All sittings commence at 10.30am	All wards	Monday	1st, 2nd & 3rd					Dungannon
			Tuesday	5th	1st & 3rd	1st & 4th		3rd	
			Wednesday	Every					
			Thursday			Every*			
			Friday	Every					

*Craigavon Family Proceedings Courts sit at Lisburn on 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Wednesdays.

*East Tyrone Family Proceedings court sits at Omagh on 1st, 3rd & 4th Thursdays

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(1)	(2)	(3)	DAY (4)	OTHER BUSINESS (5)	YOUTH (6)	FAMILY (7)	DOMESTIC (8)	YOUTH AND DOMESTIC (9)	(10)
FERMANAGH	Enniskillen All sittings commence at 10.00am	All wards	Monday	Every					Enniskillen
			Tuesday	1st	2nd		3rd		
			Wednesday	1st, 2nd & 3rd	4th				
			Thursday						
			Friday						
LARNE Larne PS District sittings are included in Ballymena PS District schedule	Ballymena	All wards	Monday						Ballymena
			Tuesday						
			Wednesday						
			Thursday						
			Friday						
LIMAVADY	Limavady All sittings commence at 10.00am	All wards	Monday						Coleraine
			Tuesday						
			Wednesday	Every					
			Thursday						
			Friday						
LISBURN	Lisburn All sittings commence at 10.30am	All wards	Monday	Every					Lisburn
			Tuesday	3rd & 5th			1st		
			Wednesday	5th					
			Thursday	Every					
			Friday	2nd & 4th	1st & 3rd				
LONDONDERRY	Londonderry All sittings commence at 10.00am	All wards	Monday	Every			4th		Londonderry
			Tuesday	2nd & 5th	1st, 3rd & 4th				
			Wednesday	Every					
			Thursday	Every		Every			
			Friday	Every		Every			
MAGHERAFELT	Magherafelt All sittings commence at 10.00am	All wards	Monday						Magherafelt
			Tuesday						
			Wednesday	1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th			3rd		
			Thursday						
			Friday						

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			DAY	OTHER BUSINESS	YOUTH	FAMILY	DOMESTIC	YOUTH AND DOMESTIC	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
NEWRY AND MOURNE	Newry All sittings commence at 10.30am. Video Link Remand Courts sit at 10.00am every Wednesday	All wards	Monday	2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th		1st			Newry
			Tuesday			Every			
			Wednesday	Every					
			Thursday	5th					
			Friday	2nd, 4th & 5th	3rd			1st	
NORTH ANTRIM	Coleraine All sittings commence at 10.00am Video Link Remand Courts sit at 9.45am every Monday	All wards	Monday	Every					Coleraine
			Tuesday	5th	4th			2nd	
			Wednesday						
			Thursday	1st & 3rd					
			Friday	Every					
NORTH DOWN North Down PS District sittings are included in Ards PS District Schedule	Newtownards	All wards	Monday						Newtownards
			Tuesday						
			Wednesday						
			Thursday						
			Friday						
OMAGH	Omagh Other Business and Youth sittings commence at 10.00am. Domestic Court sits at 10.30am	All wards	Monday	4th	4th			2nd	Omagh
			Tuesday	Every					
			Wednesday						
			Thursday	2nd & 5th					
			Friday						

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(1)	(2)	(3)	DAY (4)	OTHER BUSINESS (5)	YOUTH (6)	FAMILY (7)	DOMESTIC (8)	YOUTH AND DOMESTIC (9)	(10)
STRABANE	Strabane	All wards	Monday						Strabane
			Tuesday						
	All sittings commence at 10.00am		Wednesday	5th					
			Thursday	Every					
			Friday	1st, 2nd & 4th				3rd	

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