

Hampshire Law Society is delighted to host the:

National Local Law Society Conference

Date: 19th and 20th September 2019

Venue: Portsmouth (in and around the Historic Dockyard)



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Thursday 19 and Friday 20 September
Royal Maritime Club, Portsmouth



19 September – Welcome drinks at an iconic venue

20 September – Conference followed by Gala Dinner

The President of the Law Society Simon Davis will be in attendance

The after-dinner speaker will be the inspirational Simon Weston

Local law societies have a long, diverse and proud history. The oldest local society was formed when James Cook was discovering Australia. So from the age of discovery to the age of social media we have been bringing together and supporting solicitors and other legal professionals. But what is the role and relevance of a local law society today? How can we best engage with and add value for our members? How do we finance our activities?

The national local law society conference will address all those questions and more. With a combination of top-class presenters with first-hand experience of running successful local law societies, this conference will be attended by representatives of up to 60 local law societies from across the UK. It will provide you with the opportunity to engage with the decision makers who have access to over 160,000 lawyers nationwide

The conference will be attended by Simon Davis, President of the Law Society

A full programme of activity for the conference, the associated networking events and a full partner programme will be available soon.

For more than 800 years Portsmouth has been at the centre of the UK's military shipbuilding industry. The city was given its first royal charter by King Richard I but grew as a naval base during the reign of Henry VII and then by his successor Henry VIII, who is regarded as the founder of the modern British navy. It is still home to almost two-thirds of the Royal Navy's surface ships.



Portsmouth Historic Dockyard houses some of the rarest ships and relics in the world including the Mary Rose, Henry VIII's flagship which sunk in 1545



and was famously raised from the seabed of the Solent in 1982, HMS Victory, Lord Nelson's flagship at the Battle of Trafalgar and HMS Warrior, Queen Victoria's magnificent warship and the first iron hulled warship built in 1860.

It will come as no surprise that Hampshire Law Society is keen to make the most of Portsmouth's waterfront setting, embracing its maritime history and proposes to hold the 2019 conference in this vibrant city which has undergone somewhat of a renaissance in recent years.



The format will be similar to that of previous events. Opening drinks & canapes will be held within the historic dockyard, on HMS Warrior. The conference will be held at the Royal Maritime Club located just 200m from Portsmouth Historical Dockyard and within easy walking distance of both Portsmouth Harbour railway station and Gunwharf Quays outlet shopping centre where the iconic 170m tall Spinnaker Tower is located. There is good priced accommodation



available at the Club or alternatively a Premier Inn is just next door. Subsidised parking is provided in the dockyard carpark opposite the venue.



The Gala Dinner will be held either at the Royal Maritime. A guest speaker well known for his heroic actions and motivational style has been approached.



Portsmouth offers a plethora of opportunities for anyone accompanying you who does not wish to attend the event. From fabulous outlet shopping at Gunwharf Quays which includes all the major fashion brands and where you can also venture up the Spinnaker Tower, to exploring the D-Day museum, the Palmerston forts & Southsea Castle. For those wishing to go further afield you can be on the Isle of Wight in 22 minutes with a ferry from Portsmouth Harbour.



The conference programme will be developed based on your requirements to ensure you receive as much benefit as possible from attending. It will focus on how your local society can help your members to succeed. A range of quality speakers will deliver interactive sessions tailored to your needs with plenty of opportunity for networking and sharing of best practice.

We look forward to welcoming you to Portsmouth.