Delivered by the Institute of Professional Legal Studies in conjunction with Housing Rights, this course offers an introduction to housing law and policy in Northern Ireland. It will cover aspects of housing law such as social housing, the private rented sector and home ownership.

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND?**
- Solicitors and barristers who practice in housing law
- Professionals working in the housing sector
- Those with an interest in policy and research in the housing sector.

The course will be offered as a mix of seminars at the Institute and online.

**HOUSING RIGHTS**

Housing Rights was established in 1964. It provides independent advice, advocacy, and legal representation for those experiencing housing problems. It offers training and information on housing and homelessness issues in NI and carries out housing and homelessness policy work to affect positive change. Its work is aimed at preventing homelessness, helping people access appropriate accommodation, and where possible, helping people sustain their existing accommodation.

**SPEAKERS**

**Faith Westwood**

Faith Westwood graduated from Queen’s University in 2004 with a degree in Law. After graduation, she worked in the legal department of an investment bank negotiating international trade contracts. Faith has worked for Housing Rights for 12 years in a variety of roles including advice, advocacy and representation, developing and delivering expert training and support on housing issues to other housing practitioners; and as a mediator. She has varied experience and knowledge of the housing sector in Northern Ireland and particular expertise in the Private Rented Sector and Social Housing.

**Justin Cartwright**

Justin Cartwright is National Director for Northern Ireland at the Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH). Justin is experienced in policy development in Australia and Northern Ireland with a focus on social and economic issues. For the past seven years, he has developed housing policy and professional practice at CIH Northern Ireland where he has variously led the organisation’s marketing, communications and member engagement work.

**Jordan Buchanan**

Jordan Buchanan is the Chief Economist at PropertyPal, acting as the spokesperson for the company and a trusted subject matter expert on all UK and Northern Ireland economic and housing matters. Jordan is a member of the Board of Directors in Co-Ownership, Northern Ireland’s shared ownership provider. Jordan lectured in Economics at the Ulster Business School and is a regular commentator across a range of media outlets.

**Stuart Harper**

Stuart started his career in private practice in a general practice firm gaining experience in residential and commercial property, after ten years he moved to Co-Ownership as a Senior Legal Adviser where he spent seven years. He has recently been appointed as a permanent, full-time lecturer at the Institute of Professional Legal Studies. Stuart has a keen interest in Housing Law.

**Course Details**

**VENUE**

Institute of Professional Legal Studies Queen’s University Belfast, 10 Lennovale, Belfast, BT9 5BY

**DATES**

- **Wednesday 25th May – 10am to 12.30pm**
- **Wednesday 1st June – 10am to 12.30pm**
- **Wednesday 8th June – 10am to 12.30pm** - online
- **Wednesday 15th June – 10am to 12.30pm**

Where the session is at the IPLS, refreshments will be available from 9.30am.

**CPD**

Time spent by solicitors and barristers attending lectures and workshops in person or completing these via e-learning as part of this course can be claimed towards your annual CPD requirement.

**ATTENDANCE**

Attendance at this course will cover 8 hours of group study CPD.

**TIMETABLE**

A full timetable for the course which includes more details of the topics covered and the speakers who will be presenting will soon be available on the CPD section of our website at https://www.qub.ac.uk/schools/InstituteOfProfessionalLegalStudies/CPDCourses/.

**FEES and REGISTRATION**

£500

Applicants will be considered on a first-come first-served basis. Spaces are limited on the course and therefore you should register and pay as soon as possible by visiting our website at https://www.qub.ac.uk/schools/InstituteOfProfessionalLegalStudies/CPDCourses/.

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How to get more information

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