Witness Service

Witness Information Pack

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We have developed the Witness Information Pack to support witnesses who have been called to give evidence in court. This is intended as a one-stop guide to help you understand what to expect before, during and after attending court.

It brings together practical information for anyone who has been asked to give evidence in a criminal case – whether you're a prosecution or defence witness, or supporting someone who is attending court.

The Witness Information Pack explains key stages of the court process including:

- preparing for court
- pre-trial visits
- special measures
- what happens on the day
- giving evidence
- support available after the trial

It also includes guidance on:

- your rights
- practical arrangements and planning
- travel and expenses
- where to find extra support if you need it

It is intended as a resource you can read in your own time at your own pace, helping you to feel more informed, prepared and confident about what to expect.

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