

COURT OF PROTECTION UPDATE**THURSDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2026 – 09:30 – 12:45**

Registration:	09:00
Venue:	Marsham Court Hotel, 3 Russell Cotes Road, Bournemouth BH1 3AB
Parking:	This is at the rear of the hotel (postcode BH1 3AU) and there is no parking charge. On arrival, please inform hotel reception of your car registration number and, when you leave, ask for the exit code to raise the exit barrier. Alternatively, there is parking at Berry Court in St Peter's Road, Central Car Park in Upper Hinton Road or street parking around the hotel.
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Booking Reference:	705
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The Court of Protection has changed dramatically following changes in the legislation in 2023. Practice directions have been issued, and further advice has been provided, on the giving of gifts and costs. Furthermore, contentious issues are increasing and it is important for any individual working in this field to be aware of the processes in the Court.

This session will guide you through an overview of the Court of Protection Regime, including:

1. The standard and online processes
2. How to get an order for sale within your application
3. DOLS issues
4. Costs and the SCCO
5. Gifts
6. What to do when P Dies
7. Statutory will applications

We will also cover practical advice on file management and structure for costs.

Speaker Profile:

This lecture will be presented by **Helen Forster**. Helen is the Managing Director of her law firm, HTF Legal, based in Yorkshire. She is a solicitor and trusts and estates practitioner and has spent over 14 years working in the private client sector. Over the years she has received numerous awards including Managing Partner of the Year 2025 in the Modern Law Private Client awards, as well as highly commended as Female Trailblazer of the Year 2025 in the Modern Law Awards. Her firm was awarded Boutique Law Firm of the Year 2025 in the same awards. Her particular specialisms include tax planning and mental capacity work and, in addition, she provides training and seminars around the country on the subject.



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Course Notes: Lecture notes will be emailed to delegates in advance for either printing or accessing via their laptop or alternative device on the day. **Payment for lectures:** Please be aware that payment must be received at the office **before** the lecture takes place. Course bookings will only be confirmed upon payment. All payments are to be paid by BACS. No refunds within 7 days of the course.