

② Chichester County Court

District Registry. This court is linked to the Crown Court.

Southgate, Chichester, West Sussex, PO19 1SX

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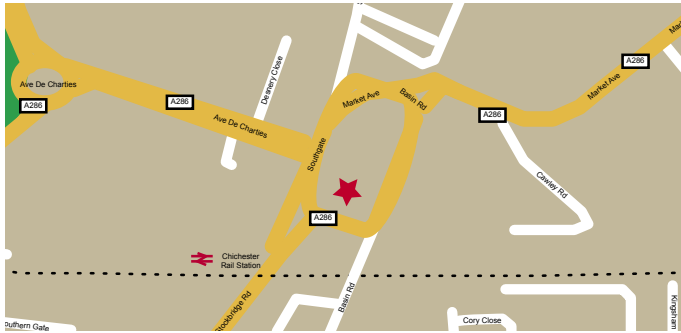
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Getting to the Court

By Car

A3 Southbound until it ends at Havant. Turn left along the A27 towards Chichester, until it becomes the Chichester bypass. At the 2nd roundabout turn left onto the A286. You will pass the train station on your left. Take the next left onto Avenue De Chartres and at the roundabout take the 1st exit into the large multi-storey car park. Exit the car park on the train station side and follow the walking directions below. Disabled parking can be arranged nearer the court by contacting it in advance.

Multi-storey 60p per hour



By Train/Bus

Direct trains leave from London Victoria approx every hour (1hr 30–1hr 50). Exit the station and walk straight ahead to the main road (Southgate). Turn left and the combined court is just up ahead on the opposite side of the road. The visible building is marked Crown Court, and the County Court entrance is in a linked building on the far side of the Crown Court entrance. There is a taxi office at the station.

Southern trains

3-min walk, trolley friendly.

Taxi office at station

Central Cars 01243 789432

Understanding the Court

Days Open Mon–Fri.

Opening/Sitting Times Building open 09.00–16.00. Court office open 10.00–16.00. Court usually sits from 10.00

Listings Hearings are usually listed by estimated hearing length. Telephone and video hearings/conferences possible.

Using the Court

Arriving The court lists are inside the main entrance and upstairs with the usher. Sign in with the usher on the first floor. Disabled access can be arranged by contacting the court in advance.

Waiting No advocates room in the County Court building, but you could use the one in the Crown Court building. There is a

small waiting area on the first floor outside the hearing rooms and a couple of chairs in the corridors on the ground floor and the first floor. No refreshments in the County Court building. **Preparing** The court office is on the ground floor opposite the main entrance. Photocopying/faxes cost £5 for the first 10 pages & 50p per page after that. There are two interview rooms, one on the ground floor and one on the first floor.

Performing The DJs' hearing rooms are on the 1st floor of the County Court building. CJs sit in courtrooms in the main Crown Court building.

Escaping the Court

Eating

No time? There are a number of sandwich shops around the court on Southgate. Try Tasty T's (almost opposite the court) or Knife & Fork (turn right out of the court).

More time? There are numerous pubs and restaurants further along Southgate. The Vestry is recommended. Turn right out of the court and head up Southgate, pub on left (01243 773358; www.the-vestry.com). The Globe Inn near the station has WiFi.

Killing time? Walk further into Chichester, along Southgate and try some of the attractive local pubs, bakeries and restaurants. Try The Dining Room at Purchases (01243 537352; www.thediningroom.biz) or The George and Dragon Inn (01243 785660; www.georgeanddragoninn.co.uk).

Shopping

The main shopping streets are North St and East St, walk up Southgate until you reach the crossroads with North, East and West Streets. The nearest cashpoint to the court is along Southgate at RBS (turn right out of court, up ahead on the right).

Historic Attractions

West Sussex/Hampshire is inundated with historic houses. Goodwood House is the home of the Earl of March and hosts both famous horse and motor racing events (www.goodwood.co.uk). To the North of Chichester, the 17th-century mansion Petworth House is in the care of the National Trust (www.nationaltrust.org.uk). To the West are the estates of Stanstead Park (www.stansteadpark.co.uk) and Uppark and to the East are Arundel Castle, dating back to the Norman Conquest (www.arundelcastle.org) and the Elizabethan Parham House (www.Parhaminsussex.co.uk).

Accommodation

There are many hotels, inns and guest houses in and around Chichester. Both The Vestry and The George and Dragon Inn have rooms (see above). There is a Premier Inn near the train station (0870 9906578; www.premierinn.com).

