

## 5 Newport County Court

### District Registry

This court is currently split over two sites: Olympia House and The Magistrates' Court, Pentonville. The latter is temporary.

Court Office & DJ hearings: Olympia House, 3rd Floor, Upper Dock St, Newport, NP20 1PQ

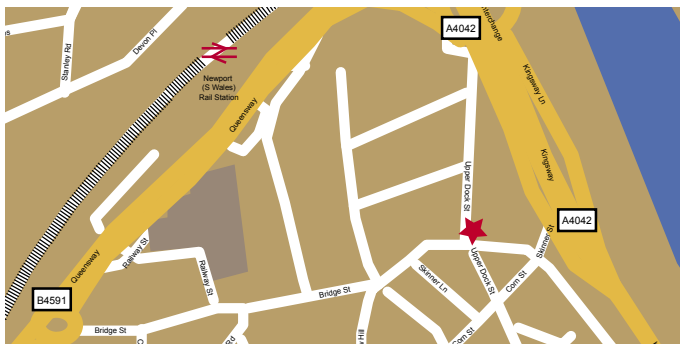
✉ DX 99480 Newport (South Wales) 4. ☎ 01633 227150 📠 01633 263820 ✉ [enquiries@newportgwent.countycourt.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@newportgwent.countycourt.gsi.gov.uk)  
CJ hearings: The Magistrates' Court, Pentonville, Newport, NP20 5HZ.

### Getting to the Court

**By Car** M4 J25a, follow signs to City Centre and turn left at the roundabout onto Heidenheim Drive. Take the 1st slip road off this road and get in the left-hand lane. At the roundabout take the 2nd exit, taking you past Sainsbury's on the left.

**Olympia House** At the next roundabout turn right and turn into the entrance to the NCP car park (just before the last exit). From here exit the car park onto the High St and follow the walking directions below.

**NCP Parking (5–10 min walk)**



**Pentonville** At the next roundabout take the last exit under the NCP car park onto Queensway, past the train station on your right. At the next roundabout take the 2nd exit over the railway bridge. Follow the road to the right and at the roundabout take the 3rd exit onto Faulkner Rd, with the Crown Court to your left. At the end of Faulkner Rd turn left onto Godfrey Rd and take the 2nd right into Sepertine Rd. Follow the road uphill and to the left and take the first right onto Gold Tops. The Magistrates' Court is on the left, where Gold Tops meets Pentonville.

**Pay & display outside the Crown Court (5–10 min walk)**

**By Train/Bus** Direct trains leave from Paddington Station for Newport every hour (two hours).

**Olympia House** Leave the station by the main exit and cross Queensway. Walk along pedestrianised route, towards NCP car park on left, and turn right and follow this street to the end. Turn left along Bridge St/Skinner St and Upper Dock St is the 2nd road on the right. Olympia House is on corner, on the right-hand side, the entrance on the left is for the court.

**Pentonville** Take the rear exit from the station and walk left, across Devon Place onto Pentonville. The Court is on the far corner of the first left turning, where Pentonville meets Gold Tops.

**Great Western trains, Taxi rank/Dragon taxis: 01633 216216**

**No cashpoint at station.**

**Olympia House 5–10 min walk, not very trolley friendly**

**Pentonville 5 min**

### Understanding the Court

The sections below concentrate on Olympia House

**Days Open** Mon–Fri.

**Opening/Sitting Times** Building 08.00–18.00. Court office 08.00–16.00. 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 building is shared with the passport office, take the left-hand entrance. Security gates. The Court is on the 3rd floor. Sign in with the usher. Lift available.

**Waiting** The waiting area/hearing rooms are through the doors, on the right. There is a drinks vending machine. No advocates' room.

**Preparing** The Court office is through the doors, on the left. The lists are in the waiting area and the Court Office. Photocopying/faxes cost £5 for the first 10 pages and 50p per page after that. There are 4 interview rooms around the waiting area, one reserved for CAFCASS.

**Performing** There are two DJ rooms at Olympia House.

### Escaping the Court

#### Eating

**No Time?** There are cafes on Upper Dock St, as well as a back entrance to Marks & Spencer.

**More Time?** Chez Giovanni's on Clarence Place is rumoured to be where chef James Sommerin began his career and is a good quality Italian eatery: 01633 259003; [www.chezgiovanni.com](http://www.chezgiovanni.com).

**Gourmet option** Wales's only Michelin-starred restaurant, with chef James Sommerin, is The Crown at Whitebrook, approx 30 mins drive from Newport, near Monmouth: 01600 860254; [www.crownatwhitebrook.co.uk](http://www.crownatwhitebrook.co.uk). Conveniently, The Crown now also has a restaurant at the Celtic Manor Resort in Newport, at J24 of the M4, 10 mins drive from the city centre: 01633 410262; [www.celtic-manor.com](http://www.celtic-manor.com).

#### Shopping

The main High St runs from the NCP car park and beyond Bridge St. The nearest cashpoint to Olympia House is outside the Premier convenience store opposite.

#### Attractions

Newport city centre has a new riverfront Arts Centre. The ancient Roman town of Caerleon is 10 mins outside of the City Centre, with its amphitheatre and the National Roman Legion museum.

### Accommodation

The King's Hotel is close to the station and central for the Court buildings: 01633 842020; [www.kingshotelnewport.co.uk](http://www.kingshotelnewport.co.uk). The Celtic Manor Resort offers five-star accommodation: 01633 413 000; [www.celtic-manor.com](http://www.celtic-manor.com).

