

Reading Legislation

09:30 **Registration and refreshments**

09:45 **Welcome and introductions**

A check on participants' aims and objectives, the mandate for the workshop and context.

10:15 **Quick Quiz to define Key Terms**

The tutor will define key words and terms such as:

- King Henry VIII Powers
- Negative Procedure

10:45 **Overview of Legislation**

- What does legislation constitute and where does it come from?
- Types of legislation
- Limitations on legislation

11:45 **Refreshments**

12:00 **Deconstructing Legislation**

- Finding the devil in the detail
- De-Mystifying the technicalities
- Explanatory material – classic tools
- Explanatory material - new and emerging tools
- Interpretation rules and presumptions

13:00 **Lunch**

14:00 **Influencing Legislation**

- Parliamentary engagement opportunities at policy stage
- Parliamentary engagement opportunities at draft legislation stage
- Amendment strategy – Commons
- Amendment strategy – Lords
- Engagement with Select Committees during Bill passage
- Human Rights - challenges and opportunities
- Delegated legislation
- Quasi-legislation - guidance, codes and policies

15:00 Refreshments

15:15 Case Study Session

Participants will work through a piece of legislation using the tools learned in the morning session. They will then be asked to discuss how, when and who they might approach to influence the bill.

16:15 Final Questions and Review

16:45 Review