

Press release: Attorney General visits new Law Clinic at King's

Attorney General Jeremy Wright QC MP will visit King's College London University today to see the pro bono work happening there.

King's College has recently opened a new legal advice centre that provides legal services free of charge to those who can't afford a lawyer. The Attorney will meet law students who are carrying out pro bono work – a commitment that is often continued throughout a lawyer's professional career.

Students will get the opportunity to talk to the Attorney about cases they have worked on at the legal advice centre and discuss their wider experiences of providing free advice to those in need.

The Attorney is the Government's Pro Bono Champion and plays a key role in supporting pro bono work, as well as raising awareness of available services among members of the public and practitioners.

The Attorney General said:

Pro bono is an ancient legal tradition that widens access to justice and I look forward to meeting the students involved in pro bono work at King's College.

The advice given at the newly opened clinic will help make a difference to people's lives as well as to the communities in which they live.

These students are the next generation of lawyers, and the skills they gain now will be used throughout their careers.

The Director of Clinical Legal Education, Stephen Levett said:

Our Legal Clinic reflects the ethos of service to the wider community which underpins the work of King's College London.

By spending time with clients and professional lawyers, our students gain first-hand experience of listening and responding to client problems. They learn skills which will put them in good stead in their future professional careers.