

**CITY OF LONDON LAW SOCIETY DATA LAW COMMITTEE
(THE “COMMITTEE”)**

Date:	1/2/2024
Location:	The offices of Slaughter and May, at One Bunhill Row, London.
Present:	Jon Bartley, RPC LLP (“Chair”) Kevin Hart, City of London law Society (“CLLS”) Luke Dixon, Freeths LLP Cynthia O'Donoghue, Reed Smith LLP Kate Brimsted, Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP Eve-Christie Vermynck, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom (UK) LLP Rhiannon Webster, Ashurst LLP Rebecca Cousin, Slaughter and May Giles Pratt, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP Jonathan McDonald, Osborne Clarke LLP Ross McKean, DLA Piper LLP Tim Hitchman, White & Case LLP Barry Fishley, Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP Rhiannon Webster, Ashurst LLP Jade Kowalski, DAC Beachcroft
In attendance:	Victoria Younghusband, Charles Russell Speechlys Lucie van Gils, Slaughter and May, as Guest minute taker

1. Welcome

The Chair welcomed all those in attendance at the meeting of the Committee.

2. Apologies

Jonathan Kirsop (Pinsent Masons LLP) and Miriam Everett (Herbert Smith Freehills LLP) sent apologies ahead of the meeting.

3. Previous minutes

It was reported that draft minutes from the previous meeting held on 23 November 2023 had been circulated. The draft minutes had been reviewed by the Chair, vice Chair and secretary and any comments from other Committee members were requested to be provided promptly after the meeting. Subject to that, the approved minutes would be anonymised and uploaded to the CLLS website.

4. Specific issues discussed

Introduction of the new liaison between the main CLLS Committee and specialist Committees

The Chair noted that the main CLLS Committee had appointed individuals to liaise with each of the specialist Committees, including the Data Law Committee. The Chair welcomed Victoria Younghusband to the meeting in this liaison role.

Introducing the CCLS to younger members of the profession

The Committee discussed introducing more junior solicitors to the work of the committee. It was agreed that in the future four or five associates would be invited to attend meetings of the Committee as “silent parties”. These associates would be drawn from the firms represented on the Committee and nominated by relevant Committee member. A rota would be prepared in order to have an orderly rotation between the firms. It was agreed that an associate from the firm hosting the meeting would always be invited to attend as part of this.

CLLS updated procedure guide

The Chair noted that the main CCLS Committee is updating the CLLS “procedure guide” and certain changes were highlighted, including the proposal that each committee organise an event for members of the CLLS within the committee’s practice area. The possible format and content of this was discussed.

Review of Committee member applications

The Committee reviewed the application of two potential new members to the Committee, Emma Burnett from CMS as a replacement for Sam De Silva, and Oliver Yaros, from Mayer Brown. The members agreed that the applicants seemed suitable and the Chair asked for any other comments to be provided to him by close of business on Friday 9 February.

CLLS Events

The Committee noted the various CLLS events that are coming up including the Banquet on 20 March 2024 in the Furniture Makers' Hall, the Annual Service on 16 May 2024 and the Annual Meeting on 16 June 2024.

Management of the Committee LinkedIn page

The Chair noted that it was proposed that the Committee have a LinkedIn page. The intention is for this page to be up and running in February 2024. The Chair asked for any member who was interested in moderating and curating this page to contact him after the meeting.

Specialist AI Committee

An update was provided on the discussions of the inaugural meeting of the CLLS AI Committee.

ICO Consultation on lawful grounds for web-scraping to train Generative AI

It was reported that the ICO has issued a consultation on the lawful basis for web scraping to train generative AI models (the “**Consultation**”). This is part of the ICO’s consultation series on generative AI and data protection. The Chair noted that the Committee had agreed to respond to the Consultation.

The Committee discussed a number of comments on the Consultation and agreed the approach to each of them. Further comments were agreed to be provided by 20 February, when the draft would be shared with the AI Committee for input.

Transfer Risk Assessments

The Committee discussed the new approach of the ICO in relation to undertaking Transfer Risk Assessments.

Binding Corporate Rules

It was noted that there is a new ICO process for extending EU Binding Corporate Rules (“BCRs”) to the UK.

5. Upcoming meetings

It was reported that the next Committee meeting would be held on 16 May 2024.