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PR update report

Monthly report: January 2025

Two pages

Summary:

January got off to a good start with a 2025 predictions release from the Chair receiving coverage and a successful launch of the inaugural 'In Conversation' event held with Lord Justice Coulson, which was attended by John Hyde of the *Law Society Gazette*.

Press releases/Comments:

Simplified budgeting pilots to the fore as ACL highlights 2025 costs trends, release drafted and distributed on 24/1.

Coverage:

[*Solicitors Journal*](#): (23/1) costs trends press release

[*Thomson Reuters*](#): (27/1) Nathan Cameron article on AI and costs

[*New Law Journal*](#): (29/1) costs trends press release

[*Legal Futures*](#): (31/1) costs trends press release

Additional activity:

6/1: Planning meeting for In Conversation event with JR/CC.

8/1: Liaising with various publications over 2025 article deadlines.

9/1: Liaised with Council re: ad hoc *Thomson Reuters* article, due on 24/1. NC drafting.

13/1: PRAM meeting.

13/1: Invites sent for In Conversation event to the following journalist:

- Rachel Rothwell, *Litigation Funding*
- John Hyde, *Law Society Gazette*. ACCEPTED
- Jonathan Ames, *The Times*
- Catherine Baksi, freelance
- Marialuisa Taddia, *Law360*

13/1: Drafted article on behalf of JR for *Litigation Funding* and sent for approval.

14/1: Above article approved and sent to publication.



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22/1: Edited NC's article for *Thomson Reuters* and sent to publication.

23/1: Liaised with CC re: Modern Law Awards and drafted email to organisers in response.

28/1: Secured free sponsorship of the Modern Law Awards 2026 event.

28/1: Attended and chaired In Conversation event with Coulson, LJ.

29/1: Chased *New Law Journal* for article deadlines for the year.

Planned activity for February:

- Distribute Council article writing deadlines.
- Produce synopsis and invites for next annual roundtable.
- Deliver article copy for *Thomson Reuters Dispute Resolution Blog* and *The Association of District Judges Newsletter*.

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