

Mapping the Administrative Justice and Tribunals Landscape in Scotland

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1. Brief summary of what the research is about.	The exercise aims to map, as comprehensively as possible, the administrative justice and tribunals landscape in Scotland. The report will be divided by subject area and will aim to set out all the public bodies (both devolved and reserved) which take administrative justice decisions within each subject area in Scotland. It is well known that the administrative justice system in Scotland is a complex one, but an attempt to map the entirety of the system has never been made before. This report aims to demonstrate exactly the scale and complexity of the system as a whole, and it is hoped this will inform the future priorities of any oversight body in the area and future policy making.
2. What are the research questions?	None, as such - the report aims to demonstrate the scale and complexity of the administrative justice system in Scotland, in particular by demonstrating this from a user perspective.
3. What, if any, outputs so far?	None: the finished report will be published in November 2015.

4. What outputs are planned?	The finished report, mapping out the landscape as comprehensively as possible, will be published mid-November 2015. Outputs include: • A report, in the style of a reference guide divided by subject area, which will outline each of the bodies involved in administrative justice processes within that area. • Accompanying maps which visualise the landscape for each subject area, showing the interaction between decision making bodies, redress bodies and oversight and regulatory bodies.
5. What is the anticipated impact?	It is hoped that the finished report will inform the future work of any oversight body for administrative justice in Scotland, and also that it will play a role in the future of policy making – by demonstrating the scale and complexity of existing systems, this may have an impact upon the creation of future administrative justice redress mechanisms and processes.
6. Comments / additional information / requests for data or input from the broader administrative justice community	