

## Public matters - March 2021

This month includes updates on extreme weather liability risk, the Debt Respite Scheme, changes to Practice Direction 57AC and Post-Covid child abuse litigation.

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James Fawcett considers what further developments we might see in response to shifting environmental challenges.

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Joe Price outlines this legislation and how might it affect local authorities.

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Mia Plume looks at the key changes to Practice Direction 57AC and Statement of Best Practice, and the challenges for legal representatives.

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