

Tower Hamlets Law Centre supports East London law students

We were delighted to have the opportunity to provide support to final year law students at Queen Mary University of London who are taking part in a project run by the Queen Mary Legal Advice Centre. This provides students with an opportunity to gain valuable experience by preparing claimants for PIP tribunals and supporting them at appeal hearings, and builds on their long-standing advice clinics staffed by supervised students.

As part of the build-up to the re-launch of the project for this year, our Welfare Benefits Supervisor Chris Parsons delivered training to the students on how to apply the law in a tribunal setting, helping ensure they are as prepared as possible.

Chris said: “This is a great opportunity to help new lawyers get a taste of what it’s like to do real-world work for clients in a tribunal setting. My input helps them to get a better sense of how to handle the tribunal in action, such as what tactics to employ, which is an important addition to their formal training in the law.”

Queen Mary Legal Advice Centre’s Supervising Solicitor, Katy Robinson, who leads the Tribunals project at QMUL, said: “We are so grateful to have Chris’ support for our students, both in this project and his long-standing support for the QMLAC. The students have benefitted greatly from Chris’ generous sharing of his experience and are looking forward to supporting as many claimants as possible to obtain the benefits to which they are entitled. Thank you, Chris and Tower Hamlets Law Centre!”

