UKSC Mission and Strategic Objectives

Mission

The mission of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom (UKSC) is to ensure that the President, Deputy President and Justices of the Court can deliver just and effective determinations of appeals heard by the Court in ways which also best develop the Rule of Law and the administration of justice.

Strategic Objectives for the Administration of the UKSC

- 1. The UKSC will create an environment, which effectively maintains the independence of the Justices, in which they can carry out their work protected from external pressures and which empowers them to develop the Rule of Law.
- 2. The UKSC will maintain and increase confidence in the administration of justice throughout the United Kingdom. It will promote transparency in, accessibility to and knowledge of the ways in which justice should be rightly administered. It will thereby promote knowledge of the importance of the Rule of Law, not least as a guarantee of democratic freedom.
- 3. The UKSC will run an efficient and effective administration, which enables the Court to secure the effective determination of justice, while demonstrating the best possible value for the resources with which it is provided. In particular it will operate a case management system, which provides appropriate measureable monitoring of the throughput of applications and cases, thereby enabling the most effective support of the Justices in their work.

- 4. The UKSC will maintain good relations with all the individual jurisdictions and governments in the different parts of the United Kingdom.
- 5. The UKSC will similarly develop appropriate relationships with courts in Europe, throughout the Commonwealth and in other countries, especially those which share its common law heritage.
- 6. The UKSC will demonstrate appropriate corporate social responsibility. In particular it will promote diversity amongst its staff, ensuring they are also representative of all the jurisdictions of the United Kingdom. It will also both source its supplies and consume its resources in ways which contribute as much as possible to sustainable development and the conservation of the world's natural resources.
- 7. The UKSC, as the statutory custodian of its own records, will provide the most appropriate environment it can for the organization, preservation and future inspection of those records.
- 8. The UKSC, as occupant of the former Middlesex Guildhall, will promote knowledge of, and interest in, this historic building, the works of art it houses, especially the Middlesex Art Collection, and more generally the history of the County of Middlesex.