

What future for children's rights in England?

A public lecture by Lady Brenda Hale to mark 20 years since UK ratification of the Convention on the Rights of the Child

Wednesday 7 December 2011, 6pm
Mary Ward House,
5-7 Tavistock Place,
London WC1H 9SN (*wheelchair accessible*)



The [Children's Rights Alliance for England \(CRAE\)](#) is delighted to host this public lecture delivered by Lady Brenda Hale on the changes the Convention on the Rights of the Child has brought in children's lives and social position over the past 20 years.

Lady Brenda Hale is the only female Supreme Court justice and a powerful defender of children's rights. Her decisions as a judge have, for example, confirmed that parental religious views cannot override children's fundamental right to mental and physical integrity in schools; that children's wishes and feelings should be more often considered in child abduction cases; and that British children facing forced deportation with a parent should be asked their views and their best interests be treated as a primary consideration.

Lady Hale was instrumental in the introduction of the Children Act 1989, which also has its 20-year anniversary this year.

This is a free public lecture but you are advised to book early as places are limited. Entry without prior booking will not be permitted. Booking details overleaf.

State of Children's Rights in England 2011 report

CRAE's comprehensive analysis of Government action on the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child's 2008 concluding observations will be launched at the event. This year's publication will include a pull-out summary guide to major developments and missed opportunities in children's rights between 1991 and 2011. The report is free to CRAE members; £15 for non-members.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

CRAE's annual general meeting will be held after Lady Hale's lecture – booking also overleaf.

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BOOKING FORM

Tick here if you wish to book a place at Lady Hale's public lecture on 7 December 2011, 6.15pm-7.15pm (6pm arrival)

Tick here if you will be attending CRAE's annual general meeting on 7 December 2011, 7.30pm-8pm

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Under 18 years old

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Tick here if you are a CRAE member and entitled to a free copy of our *State of Children's Rights in England 2011* report, to be launched at the event

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