

**BEFORE THE FITNESS TO PRACTISE COMMITTEE  
OF THE GENERAL OPTICAL COUNCIL**

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**IO(24)20**

**AND**

**JAMES REES (D-14085)**

**PRIVATE HEARING**

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**NOTICE OF FIRST REVIEW OF AN INTERIM ORDER**

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Take notice that a hearing to review an interim suspension order made on 18 November 2024 in respect of the above registered dispensing optician will be made before the Fitness to Practise Committee of the General Optical Council at a private hearing.

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**Hearing on the papers**

A first review of the Interim Order will take place on the papers between **Monday 14 April 2025 and Monday 28 April 2025**. The Registrant will **not** be invited to attend.

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**Live Hearing**

If the Registrant objects to case being heard on the papers it will be heard at a live hearing. The following will apply:

A first review of the Interim Order will therefore be held on **Monday 28 April 2025 at 09.30am** and will take place by way of video conference or telephone conference facilities.

<b>Committee Members:</b>	Sarah Hamilton (Lay) Nicola Enston (Lay) Sara Baylay (Dispensing Optician)
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