Coming Of Age: The Human Rights Act At 21

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The Human Rights Act received Royal Assent on 9 November 1998. In the week of its 21st birthday how has it fared? Well, it is still alive, having faced a difficult childhood and a near fatal adolescence. What trends can we detect in how the legislation is being interpreted by the courts? And what difference, if any, is it making to ‘real life’? In a post-Brexit Britain what is its likely life-expectancy?

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