

<p style="text-align: center;">Safeguarding Children Information Update Live Consultations – Updated 18th July 2017</p>
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Criminal Justice Joint Inspection programme consultation 2017 – 2018

The four Criminal Justice inspectorates have published a consultation which sets out the proposed joint inspection activity in the criminal justice system for 2017 to 2018.

The Joint Secretariat welcomes any comments about the proposed work and, in particular, answers to the following questions:

- Do any programmes of work duplicate, overlap or clash with inspections or other work you have planned (or are otherwise aware of) for 2017/18?
- Are there any other subject areas which you believe warrant inclusion in our criminal justice joint inspection programme?

Closing date: 24th July 2017

<http://www.justiceinspectorates.gov.uk/hmic/news/news-feed/criminal-justice-joint-inspection-programme-consultation-2017-18/>

Education otherwise than at school Framework for Action (05/06/17)

We are seeking your views on the draft EOTAS Framework for Action.

We are consulting on proposals to improve outcomes for learners accessing education otherwise than at school provision.

These proposals concern 4 key provisions:

- EOTAS panels
- Management Committee learning and development
- EOTAS commissioning frameworks
- National data and information procedures.

Closing date: 31st July 2017

<https://consultations.gov.wales/consultations/eotas-framework-for-action>

Cafcass Operating Framework (03/07/17)

Cafcass is updating its Operating Framework.

The Cafcass Operating Framework was first introduced in 2012, to set out what we do and how we use our resources effectively and proportionately. This helps us to provide a consistent service to the children and families referred to us.

The updated Operating Framework reflects current working practices and the developments in our work since the Framework was last updated in 2014, with a focus on continuous improvement. This focus includes boxes at the start of each chapter, setting out our ambitions and suggesting what ‘outstanding’ practice might look like.

We welcome comments from stakeholders and other interested parties, ahead of the full launch in August.

Closing date: 31st July 2017

<https://www.cafcass.gov.uk/news/2017/july/updating-the-cafcass-operating-framework.aspx>
https://www.cafcass.gov.uk/media/318393/operating_framework_for_comment_july_2017.pdf

Open consultation - Analysing family circumstances and education (02/06/17)

We're seeking views on our preliminary investigation of the relationship between household income and education for pupils in schools in England.

The statistical paper describes a provisional methodology we used to calculate equivalised household income bands. We have done this by matching administrative income data from other government departments to anonymised pupil records.

It includes analysis on:

- educational outcomes at key stage 2 (age 11) and key stage 4 (age 16)
- characteristics of schools attended
- family characteristics and size
- effect of housing costs
- geographical distribution of households

The paper also outlines an approach to looking at ordinary working families.

Closing date: 31st July 2017

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/analysing-family-circumstances-and-education>
<https://consult.education.gov.uk/school-leadership-analysis-unit/analysing-family-circumstances-and-education-1/>

Draft supporting people programme guidance and outcomes framework (15/05/17)

We are seeking your views on the revised Supporting people programme guidance and outcomes framework.

We are consulting on:

- ensuring the guidance and outcomes are person-centred and have clear eligibility criteria
- the strategic direction for the Supporting People programme
- the governance of regional working
- the commissioning framework
- improvements to the outcome framework.

Closing date: 4th August 2017

<https://consultations.gov.wales/consultations/draft-supporting-people-programme-guidance-and-outcomes-framework>

A single inspection of voluntary adoption agencies (10/07/17)

This consultation seeks your views on proposed changes to the inspection of voluntary adoption agencies.

We propose that:

- all voluntary adoption agencies will receive one inspection in a 3-year period and one overall judgement irrespective of the number of premises they use
- the notice period for the inspection of voluntary adoption agencies is reduced from 10 working days to 2 working days

Closing date: 4th August 2017

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/a-single-inspection-of-voluntary-adoption-agencies>

Ofsted launches point-in-time questionnaires (19/06/17)

Ofsted has issued its annual point-in-time questionnaires to children's social services. The questionnaires are for parents and carers, as well as children and young people.

The questionnaires are about children's homes, fostering services, adoption agencies, adoption support agencies and residential family centres.

Ofsted inspectors want to hear what children and young people, staff, social workers and other professionals have to say about these services. Their responses will help inform future inspections.

Questions for children and young people include:

- do staff look after you well?
- do you feel safe in your children's home?
- can you talk to staff about how you feel?

Questions for parents and carers include:

- can your child take part in activities that interest them?
- are your child's health needs met?
- does your child have good relationships with the staff at the home?

Closing date: 13th August 2017

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ofsted-launches-point-in-time-questionnaires>

Short inspections of good schools (15/06/17)

This consultation seeks your views on proposals for changes to the short inspection approach for good maintained schools and academies and outstanding and good maintained nurseries, special schools and pupil referral units from October 2017.

Closing date: 18th August 2017

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/short-inspections-of-good-schools>

The Independent Inquiry into CSA launches consultation on the impact of CSA and support services (13/06/17)

The Inquiry has today launched a consultation on the impact of CSA on victim and survivors and access to and use of support services.

The consultation marks the start of an ongoing engagement with victims and survivors and their families to gather views about support service provision. The consultation will be open for three months, from now until early September.

The consultation will examine a series of issues relating to victims' and survivors' experiences of support services. There are questions dealing with a range of issues connected to the impact of abuse and support service provision. We want to know more about experiences of the different types of support and the differences in the way they are experienced by children and adults.

Closing date: 12th September 2017

<https://www.iicsa.org.uk/news/inquiry-launches-consultation-impact-csa-and-support-services>