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Youth Justice Board, United Kingdom

Youth justice in focus

Yesterday we released our [youth justice statistics for 2022 to 2023](#). These important statistics shed light on the state of the youth justice system, highlighting both positive strides and emerging challenges.

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News story

Details of the review into police use of force published. The review into police use of force and police driving investigations has commenced.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/details-of-the-review-into-police-use-of-force-published?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=9f42671a-0279-40a4-b08a-e4c0cb006488&utm_content=daily

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Anti-drone no fly zones to combat prison smuggling

Criminal gangs who try to fly phones, drugs and weapons into prisons using drones face finding themselves there instead under tough new restrictions coming into force today .

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/anti-drone-no-fly-zones-to-combat-prison-smuggling?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=9ffa3e90-dc63-4cfb-a12f-6efc90c13a9a&utm_content=daily

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[Proven reoffending statistics: January to March 2022](#)

Statistics on reoffending of offenders who were released from custody, received a non-custodial conviction, or a caution.

https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/proven-reoffending-statistics-january-to-march-2022?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=4d9c00ff-38f6-4b77-ba07-0ecef75056d1&utm_content=daily

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Official Statistics

Safety in the Children and Young People Secure Estate: Update to

September 2023. Safety in the Children and Young People Secure Estate statistics cover assaults, self-harm, use of force, separations, and deaths in the Children and Young People Secure Estate in England and Wales. Official Statistics

https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/safety-in-the-children-and-young-people-secure-estate-update-to-september-2023?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=43a2bf52-485b-4932-b14f-af29e3ea14bd&utm_content=daily

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Official Statistics

Electronic Monitoring Statistics Publication, December 2023 Covers the use and delivery of electronic tags, including location monitoring tags and alcohol monitoring tags, for England and Wales.

https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/electronic-monitoring-statistics-publication-december-2023?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=7571021a-6813-480b-aa37-1edd67db67db&utm_content=daily

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National statistics

Criminal Justice System statistics quarterly: June 2023. Overview of trends in the use of out of court disposals, defendants prosecuted, offenders convicted, remand and sentencing decisions in England and Wales.

https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/criminal-justice-system-statistics-quarterly-june-2023?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=b9a0dc49-a0a0-4813-8813-bfd79a552839&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

The care and management of individuals who are transgender

This Policy Framework ensures that transgender individuals are treated with respect and sensitivity while they are in custody, and that the safety of anyone in our care, transgender or not, is prioritised.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-care-and-management-of-individuals-who-are-transgender?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=41830cc7-299c-4198-b544-1aad0b8ca4e9&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

Use of force in prisons: PSO 1600 Guidance on the appropriate use of force and de-escalation techniques in prison. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/use-of-force-in-prisons-psy-1600?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=55a26972-ad38-4d59-a117-0779e99f4636&utm_content=daily

Guidance

Amendments to the use of force policy: PSI 30/2015 Amendments to prison service order (PSO) 1600 on the lawful use of force, including new guidance relating to personal safety techniques and the use of batons. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/amendments-to-the-use-of-force-policy-psi-302015?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=1708d4d7-f553-4b29-81e8-574d5312b0e0&utm_content=daily

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Official Statistics

Ad-Hoc Alcohol Monitoring Statistics Publication, Dec 2023 Covers the number of individuals in England and Wales on electronic tags for Alcohol Monitoring per quarter in the last year. https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/ad-hoc-alcohol-monitoring-statistics-publication-dec-2023?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=e528aa1b-2357-4db6-a904-4247514c197c&utm_content=daily

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Official Statistics

Justice in Numbers Summary Tables and Pocketbook Summary of the latest information presented in Justice in Numbers. https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/justice-in-numbers-summary-tables?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=aebfa3ea-5c92-47ff-9168-a04afcd0e5fe&utm_content=daily

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Policy paper

Victims and Prisoners Bill The government has introduced the Victims and Prisoners Bill into Parliament. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/victims-and-prisoners-bill?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=27a07cb6-a58c-406a-8474-7bf8a7c3ff06&utm_content=daily

Guidance

Victim Contact Scheme Policy Framework Mandatory actions and guidance which His Majesty’s Prison and Probation Service must complete for all victims eligible for services under the Victim Contact Scheme. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/victim-contact-scheme-policy-framework?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=b2020145-f524-4fe0-b22d-0b02c3b3324d&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

Prisoner complaints policy framework Rules and guidance for staff and prisoners on the new Prisoner Complaints Policy Framework. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prisoner-complaints-policy-framework?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=cf43deb9-16cb-4650-a3d3-787405fe2e1a&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

Managing Conveyance of Unauthorised and Illicit Items Policy Framework (Open Establishments) This policy framework provides rules and guidance for prison staff managing conveyance of unauthorised and illicit items. This framework is only applicable to prisons participating in the NSF pilot. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/managing-conveyance-of-unauthorised-and-illicit-items-policy-framework-open-establishments?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=8883b927-42c0-4253-8337-79ea3f297b68&utm_content=daily

Guidance

Managing Conveyance of Unauthorised and Illicit Items Policy Framework (Closed Estate) This policy framework provides rules and guidance for prison staff managing conveyance of unauthorised and illicit items. This framework is only applicable to prisons participating in the NSF pilot. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/managing-conveyance-of-unauthorised-and-illicit-items-policy-framework-closed-estate?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=aec4ad45-4fd8-4b25-8c6f-df8ed83db46d&utm_content=daily

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Corporate report

Ministry of Justice Cyber Security Strategy: 2023 to 2028 This strategy sets out the Ministry of Justice’s approach to building a cyber resilient public sector in line with the Government Cyber Security Strategy. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/ministry-of-justice-cyber-security-strategy-2023-to-2028?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=63e95988-d333-4717-b0d5-a1009974b566&utm_content=daily

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Policy paper

Sentencing Bill 2023. The government has introduced the Sentencing Bill into Parliament. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/sentencing-bill-2023?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=cdecbbc1-4c1b-47d8-955c-aa707894436f&utm_content=daily

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Press release

Thousands of prison smuggling attempts thwarted Bolstered prison security has thwarted thousands of attempts to smuggle drugs, weapons and phones behind bars as the clampdown on prison rule breakers advances. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/thousands-of-prison-smuggling-attempts-thwarted?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=e2ba9b74-957e-4718-9448-502942f87bad&utm_content=daily

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Official Statistics

Prison Security Investment Programme: X-ray Body Scanner Management Information Management Information on scans from X-ray body scanners that were installed as part of the Security Investment Programme. https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/prison-security-investment-programme-x-ray-body-scanner-management-information?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=c45b5378-2d16-4501-a412-803c46729a01&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

Use of drug trace detection equipment in prisons policy framework Rules and guidance for prison staff using trace detection equipment to detect illicit substances. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/use-of-narcotics-trace-detection-equipment-on-correspondence-policy-framework?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=09559b2a-dac6-4b22-b523-25007a8c1ded&utm_content=daily

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Official Statistics

HMPPS Offender Equalities Annual Report 2022 to 2023 This report provides statistics on offenders in prison and in the community and their protected characteristics. https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/hmpps-offender-equalities-annual-report-2022-to-2023?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=943943f4-4281-497d-b12c-aad552fd1752&utm_content=daily

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Press release

Reforms bring hope to rehabilitated people still serving abolished indefinite sentences Thousands of rehabilitated ex-prisoners serving long-since abolished indefinite sentences will become eligible to have their licence period terminated earlier as part of new reforms. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/reforms-bring-hope-to-rehabilitated-people-still-serving-abolished-indefinite-sentences?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=b5bccf4b-5e0b-41b8-aca0-8efa5ca56929&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

Secure School Governance Handbook Guidance for the boards of trustees of secure schools. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/secure-schools-governance-handbook?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=96cefbf6-c7e2-44e5-b476-3cabb2b7a091&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

Use of Force Policy Framework This policy framework is relevant for all staff involved in use of force or hold a role where they are responsible for oversight and governance of use of force in the adult estate. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/use-of-force-policy-framework?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=b7863a91-1848-46bf-aece-032f040bd146&utm_content=daily

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Press release

Permanent Independent Public Advocate to better support disaster victims

Victims of major disasters will be better supported as they rebuild their lives with a new and permanent Independent Public Advocate, the Lord Chancellor has announced today.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/permanent-independent-public-advocate-to-better-support-disaster-victims?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=96923a26-ecdf-432c-990a-67c9c92ab55a&utm_content=daily

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Press release

Consultation on tougher sentences for knife and domestic killers

consultation looking at whether cowardly domestic killers should receive tougher sentences if they subject their victims to a campaign of coercive and controlling abuse, has been launched by the Lord Chancellor today.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/consultation-on-tougher-sentences-for-knife-and-domestic-killers?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=1dc3d3e0-e18a-4b1d-b185-35cf992e356c&utm_content=daily

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Official Statistics

Knife and Offensive Weapon Sentencing Statistics: April to June 2023

Trends in cautioning and sentencing of knife and offensive weapon offences.

https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/knife-and-offensive-weapon-sentencing-statistics-april-to-june-2023?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=fbd219fe-5e7f-4bdd-a755-da1de8cf7507&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

Searching Policy Framework

This Policy Framework provides the requirements and guidance for prisons and staff on searching of the person, cells, areas and vehicles.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/searching-policy-framework?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=4da9a894-71c8-4cd7-9546-873b5ec84237&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

Escape and Abscond Policy Frameworks. These policy frameworks provide rules and guidance for prison staff to manage the risk of escapes and absconds. This framework is only applicable to prisons participating in the NSF pilot.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/escape-and-abscond-policy-frameworks?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=4c86976b-caf6-42d0-8d35-d75b8336e331&utm_content=daily

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Press release

Victims to be protected through Sentencing Reforms. Cowardly domestic abusers will continue to face time behind bars under legislation laid in Parliament today which will also see the most horrific murderers face life behind bars and rapists locked up for longer.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/victims-to-be-protected-through-sentencing-reforms?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=7842aa76-3a9c-40a3-8a07-9e88802871e0&utm_content=daily

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Policy paper

Responding to human rights judgments: 2022 to 2023 This report sets out the government’s position on the implementation of human rights judgments from the European Court of Human Rights and our domestic courts.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/responding-to-human-rights-judgments-2022-to-2023?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=e489aab1-65cf-4654-a345-960642f3e387&utm_content=daily

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Policy paper

Government response, Domestic abuse and the Family Court: Achieving cultural change In July 2023, the Domestic Abuse Commissioner published a report into the Family Court’s response to domestic abuse. The government has now responded to the recommendations within this report.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-response-domestic-abuse-and-the-family-court-achieving-cultural-change?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=ab0fb7c5-8776-411f-bc98-5a653cd1319c&utm_content=daily

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Policy paper

Government response to the Law Commission Report ‘Unfitness to Plead’

This document details the government response to the Law Commission’s Unfitness to Plead report. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-response-to-the-law-commission-report-unfitness-to-plead?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=6ab67701-86b3-40cc-8a87-e1ca2dc10bd1&utm_content=daily

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Press release

Barrier to employment lifted for thousands of ex-offenders. Over 120,000 former offenders will find it easier to get work and turn their lives away from crime following a change in the law. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/barrier-to-employment-lifted-for-thousands-of-ex-offenders?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=1f5128e6-c73a-49a1-9d1b-5bad6b20cb48&utm_content=daily

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Official Statistics

Deaths of offenders in the community, annual update to March 2023.

Number of deaths of offenders in the community in England and Wales. https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/deaths-of-offenders-in-the-community-annual-update-to-march-2023?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=88cdf223-0688-4a2b-aadf-9facd2a085ef&utm_content=daily

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Official Statistics

Safety in the Children and Young People Secure Estate: Update to June

2023. Safety in the Children and Young People Secure Estate statistics cover assaults, self-harm, use of force, separations, and deaths in the Children and Young People Secure Estate in England and Wales. https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/safety-in-the-children-and-young-people-secure-estate-update-to-june-2023?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=736dd3a2-0f35-4540-a59e-5007d8ffca6b&utm_content=daily

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National statistics

Multi-agency public protection arrangements (MAPPA) annual: 2022 to 2023. Annual statistics on multi-agency public protection arrangements (MAPPA) eligible offenders. https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/multi-agency-public-protection-arrangements-mappa-annual-2022-to-2023?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=bd2965ca-867c-45c7-8c08-40e5a40475ec&utm_content=daily

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Policy paper

Economic Crime (Transparency and Enforcement) Bill 2022: overarching documents. These documents relate to the bill stage of the Economic Crime (Transparency and Enforcement) Act 2022. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/economic-crime-transparency-and-enforcement-bill-2022-overarching-documents?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=8cf6999d-9ac5-4ccf-9386-741ed9be5270&utm_content=daily

Policy paper

Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill 2022: Factsheets. Factsheets giving details of the different measures contained in the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/economic-crime-and-corporate-transparency-bill-2022-factsheets?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=0f1a0c69-df6b-4993-a079-8e4b014cb4f1&utm_content=daily

Impact assessment

Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill 2022: impact assessments. Impact assessments relating to the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/economic-crime-and-corporate-transparency-bill-2022-impact-assessments?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=8d66d637-6703-4426-a519-e941ec7d7a29&utm_content=daily

Policy paper

Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill 2022: ECHR memoranda. European Convention on Human Rights memoranda relating to the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Bill. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/economic-crime-and-corporate-transparency-bill-2022-echr-memoranda?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=02fccc9-1045-44d9-a021-721867088c7a&utm_content=daily

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Press release

New prison ‘no-fly zones’ for drug-delivering drones. Vast new ‘no-fly zones’ will be enforced over all prisons in England and Wales to crack down on gangs using drones to smuggle drugs, phones and weapons that drive criminality behind bars.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-prison-no-fly-zones-for-drug-delivering-drones?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=64261bff-4292-40ec-96c7-b8430f62e1ba&utm_content=daily

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Research and analysis

Use and operation of counter-terrorism polygraph examination. Findings from a process evaluation exploring the use and operation of the counter-terrorism polygraph examination licence condition.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/use-and-operation-of-counter-terrorism-polygraph-examination?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=5cde741d-9e9a-455f-b4eb-ee5552104c03&utm_content=daily

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Research and analysis

Evaluation of a brief intervention to protect good decision-making in on-the-day sentencing proposals to courts.

An evaluation of a brief intervention to protect good decision-making in on-the-day sentencing proposals to courts: a randomised control trial. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/evaluation-of-a-brief-intervention-to-protect-good-decision-making-in-on-the-day-sentencing-proposals-to-courts?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=57fdaadd-9490-468e-92ce-caf981ffa3f4&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

Circles of Support and Accountability Policy Framework. Requirements for the use of Circles of Support and Accountability for probation practitioners working with eligible people convicted of sexual offences. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/circles-of-support-and-accountability-policy-framework?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=e139858b-320e-4f0d-9a8d-90d60739db81&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

Recall, review and re-release of recalled prisoners. Mandatory requirements and guidance for prison and probation staff involved in the recall, review and re-release of recalled prisoners. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/recall-review-and-re-release->

[of-recalled-prisoners?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=cce1711b-6f12-4abd-841d-78bda29b3e3d&utm_content=daily](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/of-recalled-prisoners?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=cce1711b-6f12-4abd-841d-78bda29b3e3d&utm_content=daily)

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Research and analysis

Increasing procedural justice practice in complaints handling: A randomised controlled trial and process evaluation. This research aimed to test a prototype to improve PJ practice in the handling of prisoner complaints.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/increasing-procedural-justice-practice-in-complaints-handling-a-randomised-controlled-trial-and-process-evaluation?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=da5273ff-6a5c-481e-ba8d-35ea39a1d2a8&utm_content=daily

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Guidance

Homelessness Reduction Act: Duty to refer policy framework. Rules and guidance for prison and probation staff detailing their duties under the Homelessness Reduction Act to reduce homelessness and support rehabilitation.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/homelessness-reduction-act-duty-to-refer-policy-framework?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications-topic&utm_source=664f56b1-866c-48a7-9d45-d2d55e46c241&utm_content=daily

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