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HM Crown Prosecution Service Inspectorate (HMCPSI) - consultation on the proposed list of inspection topics to be included in the 2026-27 inspection programme.

Under the Crown Prosecution Service Inspectorate Act 2000, as amended by the Police and Justice Act 2006, I am required to consult with Ministers and statutory consultees on my proposed inspection programme. But I am equally as keen to hear from as wide a range of interested parties before I finalise my 2026-27 inspection programme.

I would be grateful for any comments that you might have to help me determine my inspection programme for 2026-27.

Given the issues faced by the Criminal Justice System there are many aspects that would benefit from the external scrutiny of inspection. The list sets out over 20 possible inspections relating to the Crown Prosecution Service and Serious Fraud Office that I believe would add value and drive improvement. However, HMCPSI has finite resource, and we will not be able to conduct inspections of all the proposals set out in the list. Roughly we usually conduct 10 – 12 inspections per year, as well as one or two joint inspections with other criminal justice inspectorates.

I would therefore welcome any thoughts on which of the subjects in the list you think should be prioritised for inspection. I also recognise that there are many aspects that do not feature in the list that may benefit from inspection, therefore I would be grateful to hear any thoughts on other topics for inspection that you think I should include in my deliberations as I finalise my 2026-27 inspection programme. For any new subjects you suggest, I would appreciate if you would include a short outline of why you think the topic should be inspected and why you consider it to be a priority.

To help me consider responses, please complete the online [form](#). This will give you the opportunity to prioritise subjects and a space to suggest other

inspection topics which would be of interest to you. I would welcome responses by **Wednesday 17 December 2025**.

I will publish a full programme of inspection in my 2026-27 Business Plan due to be published in March 2026.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony Rogers', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Anthony Rogers
HM Chief Inspector