

Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011

2011 CHAPTER 13

PART 1

POLICE REFORM

CHAPTER 7

OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO POLICING AND CRIME AND DISORDER

Her Majesty's inspectors of constabulary

84 HMIC reports: publication

- (1) Section 55 of the Police Act 1996 (publication of reports) is amended as follows.
- (2) For subsection (1) substitute—
 - "(1) The inspectors of constabulary must arrange for any report prepared under section 54 to be published in such manner as appears to the inspectors to be appropriate.".
- (3) For subsection (2) substitute—
 - "(2) But the inspectors of constabulary must exclude from publication under subsection (1) anything that the inspectors consider—
 - (a) would be against the interests of national security, or
 - (b) might jeopardise the safety of any person.
 - (2A) The inspectors must disclose to the Secretary of State anything excluded from publication by virtue of subsection (2).".
- (4) For subsection (3) substitute—

- "(3) The inspectors of constabulary must send a copy of the published report to—
 - (a) the Secretary of State,
 - (b) the local policing body maintaining the police force to which the report relates,
 - (c) the chief officer of police of that police force, and
 - (d) any police and crime panel established under section 28 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 for the police area of that police force.".
- (5) In subsection (4)—
 - (a) for "police authority" substitute "local policing body", and
 - (b) for "authority" substitute "body".
- (6) In subsection (5)—
 - (a) for "police authority" substitute "local policing body", and
 - (b) in paragraph (c) and in the words following that paragraph, for "authority" substitute "body".
- (7) In subsection (6) for "police authority" substitute "local policing body".
- (8) Omit subsection (8).