

***'Multi-agency responses to serious youth violence: working together to support and protect children'* published by HMICFRS on 20 November 2024
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Serious youth violence is one of the priorities in my Police and Crime Plan. I recognise that to respond to and prevent this type of crime requires responses from many agencies and, to be really successful, these different agencies need to work in a joined-up way.

This report brings together findings from six joint targeted area inspections; of which Somerset was one. There are no specific additional recommendations or actions in this report.

The response to the Somerset inspection is led by the Somerset Safeguarding Children's Partnership but with the engagement and contribution of all partner agencies including Avon and Somerset Police. A joint action plan has been developed in response to the findings. Together, with my office, we have been supporting agencies with this and will continue that support through the work of the Violence Reduction Partnerships.

I oversee the Constabulary's response to all inspections as part of my ongoing scrutiny.

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