

## **Confidential Access List**

The list of persons, bodies and organisations who are permitted to correspond with prisoners under confidential access arrangements is as follows:

- The prisoner's legal adviser
- Courts
- Bar Council
- Law Society
- Official Solicitor
- Criminal Cases Review Commission (CCRC)
- Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (PCA)
- Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA)
- Care Quality Commission
- Office of the Legal Services Ombudsman
- Prisons and Probation Ombudsman (PPO) / Independent Prisoner Complaint Investigations (IPCI)
- Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman (PHSO)
- Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Prisons (HMIP)
- Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC)
- Equality Advisory Support Service (EASS)
- Members of Parliament (MP) or Members of the National Assembly for Wales (AM) or Members of European Parliament (MEP)
- Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)
- Legal Aid Agency (LAA)
- Scottish Legal Aid Agency (SLAA)
- Investigatory Powers Tribunal (IPT)
- Embassy or Consular Officials
- Samaritans
- Registered Medical Practitioner in cases in which a prisoner is receiving treatment for a lifethreatening illness
- An Electoral Registration Officer
- Kent Refugee Help (KRH)
- Independent Monitoring Board (IMB)
- Bail for Immigration Detainees (BID)
- Judicial Appointments and Conduct Ombudsman

The communications of any organisation not included on this list will be handled in line with normal written and telecommunication processes. For further information regarding this, please refer to the <u>Authorised Communications Controls and Interception Policy Framework - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>.

## The Process for Confidential Access Applications

Any requests by persons, bodies and organisations to be added to the confidential access list must be sent or otherwise redirected to the NIU Policy and Projects Team, who will undertake and manage the application process.

The functional mailbox for such requests is: <a href="mailto:NIU.ProjectsPolicy@justice.gov.uk">NIU.ProjectsPolicy@justice.gov.uk</a>