

Action Plan: HMP Isle of Wight

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INTRODUCTION

HM Inspectorate of Prisons (HMIP) and HM Inspectorate of Probation for England and Wales are independent inspectorates which provide scrutiny of the conditions for, and treatment of prisoners and offenders. They report their findings for prisons, Young Offender Institutions, and effectiveness of the work of probation, and youth offending services across England and Wales to Ministry of Justice (MoJ) and His Majesty's Prison and Probation Service (HMPPS). In response to the report HMPPS / MoJ are required to draft a robust and timely action plan to address the priority and key concerns. Action plans provide specific steps and actions to address the priority and key concerns, that are clear, outcome focussed, measurable, achievable, and relevant with the owner and timescale of each step clearly identified. Action plans are sent to HMIP and published on the GOV.UK website. Progress against the implementation and delivery of the action plans will also be monitored and reported on.

ACTION PLAN: HMCIP REPORT

ESTABLISHMENT: HMP ISLE OF WIGHT

1. Rec No	2. Concerns	3. Response Action Taken/Planned	4. Responsible Owner	5. Target Date
	Priority concerns			
1.1	The therapeutic and rehabilitative purpose of the prison was not sufficiently prioritised. Leaders had not developed the environment or regime in a way that sought to ensure needs and risks of the sex offender population were addressed. This was compounded by a failure to respond to the new reality of a much larger population of category C prisoners. Specialist staff shortages further worsened this situation	 The Staff, Progression, Inclusion, Relationships, Environment and Safe and Secure (SPIRES) project has been commissioned to carry out the following objectives: Undertake a needs analysis and review the current curriculum to inform the revised Reducing Reoffending Strategy for 2023-2024. Review the gym and library provisions exploring options for having provisions on the wings. Cooking facilities will be installed on priority wings at the Albany site (Parkhurst wings will be considered following the fire upgrade). Review the Incentives Policy to ensure it is applicable to the Category C cohort. Review and update the activities policy to better meet the needs of the Category C population. Produce a simple regime leaflet for all prisoners. Locate short term Category C prisoners on the Albany site with a progressive regime to encourage resettlement. Category B prisoners will be housed at Parkhurst along with long-term Category C prisoners to focus on offence related work and progression to Category C prisoners. A Careers Day to be held for Category C prisoners. 	Governor	June 2023

 All instructors will be trained in the workshops, employability skills workbook to track progress. All prisoners in workshops will be issued a workbook to assist in driving expectations against employability skills. The Governor will use feedback from consultative forums completed in October and November 2022 to inform the revised Strategy and Business Plan for 2023/24. HMP Isle of Wight will work with stakeholders to take forward the following initiatives: The new Mental Health Provider will recruit a Psychologist, Assistant Psychologist and an Intellectual / Disability Nurse to form part of the new service model. Restructure the Psychology and Programmes team to temporarily promote experienced facilitators into Treatment Manager roles to aid returning to group delivery and managing the sex offender population. Programme Facilitators to be encouraged to gain funding for Psychology Degrees to organically fill Psychologist vacancies. Continue to raise and discuss the shortage of Probation Officers at the Senior Leadership Forum for south central and at a regional level. 	Governor / Head of Healthcare	September 2023
The purpose of House Unit (HU) 24 is being redefined as a trauma informed wing for prisoners convicted of a sexual offence.	Governor	September 2023
Develop a therapeutic environment further by establishing a garden on the wing and in the yard and create a bespoke regime that incorporates more community time out of cells.	Governor	May 2023

		Complete monthly checks on prisoner data to ensure a quality needs analysis and that the programmes offer for the year 2023-2024 matches that of the population.	Governor	Complete
1.2	Over a third of officers were not available for work in the units, which limited the delivery of the day-to-day regime and led to prisoners spending too long locked in cells	A re-profiling exercise will be conducted to make better use of the current staffing resources. The local team will work with stakeholders to take forward the following initiatives:	Governor	May 2023
		 Recruit a new Colleague Mentor and Capability Manager Secure funding for a bonus incentive scheme for working additional hours. Attend community recruitment events, showcasing the vacancies and encouraging applications. Funding has been agreed for substantive Custodial Manager recruitment. Explore opportunities to supply officers through the national detached duty scheme. Deploy Prison Officers under the First Deployment Scheme (FDS). 	Governor HMPPS Resource Management	Complete Complete April 2023 Complete April 2023 Ongoing
1.3	The level of recorded self-harm was very high and there had been seven self-inflicted deaths since our last inspection	All operational staff and non-operational staff who have contact with prisoners will be trained in relevant Safety Support Skills modules within a two year period. The re-profiling exercise will include ensuring the local safety	Governor	June 2024 May 2023
		team have more dedicated resource available to them. It will also better enable key work activity.	Governor	Iviay 2020

		Develop an establishment wide Prison and Probation Ombudsman (PPO) action plan to track and monitor all recommendations.	Governor	April 2023
		Introduce an assurance document to assess Case Manager performance by monitoring Assessment, Care in Custody and Teamwork (ACCT) reviews.	Governor	March 2023
		Staff information notices will be published annually to remind all staff of the requirement for prompt answering of emergency cell bells.	Governor	March 2023
		The Safer Custody Team will provide a monthly analysis of self-harm, in order to identify emerging trends and identify actions to address self-harm rates.	Governor	Complete
		The Long Term High Security Estate (LTHSE) Regional Safety Team will provide bespoke team and individual training for staff in both ACCT and Challenge, Support and Intervention Plan (CSIP) processes.	Regional Safety Team	June 2023
1.4	Prisoners had very limited access to work or study. Planned access was severely undermined by poor attendance, poor	A multi-disciplinary approach will be introduced to explore the reasons behind refusal to attend work and education.	Governor	March 2023
	punctuality and prisoners returning to their cells early	HMP Isle of Wight will deliver a monthly target of 95% prisoners in planned activity.	Governor	April 2023
		Funding has been secured for the laundry refurbishment project, which will create 24 prisoner activity places.	Governor	January 2024

		Undertake a needs analysis and review the current curriculum, incorporating the prisoners survey results against the seven pathways.	Governor	March 2023
		The Reducing Reoffending Strategy will be reviewed incorporating the findings of the needs analysis, reviewed curriculum and results from the prisoner survey 2023-2024.	Governor	May 2023
		Residential Custodial Managers will monitor unlock times in the Parkhurst site (Albany is electronic unlock) and senior leaders will monitor unlock times as Duty Governors.	Governor	March 2023
1.5	There were significant gaps in release planning for prisoners many of whom posed a high risk of serious harm to the public	An establishment needs analysis will be completed, which will feed into the overall Reducing Reoffending needs analysis in line with the seven pathways. This will in turn inform a revised Reducing Reoffending Strategy for 2023 – 2024.	Governor	April 2023
		The Inter-Departmental Risk Management Team (IDRMT) meeting Terms of Reference and Agenda will be reviewed to ensure it adheres to national guidance.	Governor	Complete
		Offender Management Unit (OMU) Case Administrators will produce the list of cases to be discussed at IDRMT meetings, which will include all High and Very High Risk of Serious Harm, and Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA) eligible prisoners that are at six months and three months prior to release.	Governor	Complete
		Pre-release prisoners are captured during the handover to community Probation at the 7.5 months prior to release stage. The Prison Offender Manager (POM) will refer the case into the IDRMT meeting if they have not previously been	Governor	March 2023

		discussed, to ensure that all relevant prisoners' risks are flagged and resettlement needs are discussed. Quarterly Public Steering Group meetings will take place, providing clear governance over all public protection work.	Governor	April 2023
1.6	The health provider had identified risks to service delivery and patient outcomes, but	All healthcare staff will be trained in the use of the i-auditor system used within Practice Plus Group for recording audits.	Head of Healthcare	March 2023
	improvements had not taken place quickly enough	All identified risks will be recorded through each monthly Local Quality Assurance meeting at site level.	Head of Healthcare	Complete
		Risk registers will have a local monthly review with the Regional Governance Manager to determine risks to be escalated and update the information centrally of actions being taken and control risks in place.	Head of Healthcare	Complete
		A remote GP service to be made available for HMP Isle of Wight, utilising both virtual clinics and telephone-based care. GP cover to also be available to provide support during periods of unexpected absence.	NHSE	Complete
		Monthly workforce meetings will be organised by the Commissioner to support the provider with their recruitment strategy and monitor service delivery through the quarterly contract and performance meeting.	NHSE	April 2023
		The healthcare service has been recommissioned and a new mental health provider will be delivering enhanced psychiatric service as part of the mobilisation of the new contract from April 2023.	NHSE	April 2023

		The new mental health provider will be responsible for ensuring learning disabilities interventions and assessments are carried out in a timely manner. The recruitment of a Psychologist, Assistant Psychologist and an Intellectual/Disability Nurse will form part of the new service model.	Head of Healthcare	April 2023
	Key concerns			
1.7	Data were not used well enough to improve outcomes. Managers did not explore outcomes at other prisons holding a similar population, including those convicted of sexual offences	The local communication strategy will be reviewed to ensure it has a greater focus on the main departmental and performance meetings use of data, analysis and actions.	Governor	March 2023
	and category C prisoners. They did not evaluate the impact of the education and skills curriculum to drive improvement	Multiple comparison groups will be used when presenting data at departmental and performance meetings. Other establishments holding Category C men and prisoners convicted of sexual offending (PCSO) will be used as additional comparators to HMP Isle of Wight.	Governor	Complete
		Evaluation of the impact of the education and skills curriculum will be carried out at monthly reducing re-offending meetings.	Governor	April 2023
1.8	Many of the residential units were shabby, bleak and in need of significant repair	Four shower areas have been refurbished: three in House Unit 22 and one on House Unit 19. House Unit 11 shower areas will be refurbished by March 2023.	MOJ Property Directorate	March 2023
		A proposal to refurbish other shower areas has been submitted to MOJ and is currently awaiting a funding decision which is expected by June 2023.	MOJ Property Directorate	June 2023
		A further 20 shower areas are planned for refurbishment with construction to commence in 2024.	MOJ Property Directorate	April 2024

		New resin floors will be installed in shower and toilet areas, including communal toilet areas on both Sites with Albany being the priority.	MOJ Property Directorate	September 2023
		Several flat roofs across Albany site, including the chapel will be repaired. Capital Bids for the control room, administration and DOJO roofs have been submitted.	MOJ Property Directorate	December 2023
		Additional works request will be prioritised by those that support the refurbishment and replacement of key areas associated with decency concerns.	Governor	February 2023
		Prisoner maintenance teams will be expanded to help support improved living conditions.	Governor	February 2023
		Residential areas will be improved by ensuring all cells have curtains and a process will be established for adequate and timely replenishment.	Governor	February 2023
		All residential units will have identified cleaning officers with clear control of cleaning equipment, stores and chemicals.	Governor	April 2023
		All exercise yard improvements will be completed, this includes painting artwork on the exercise yard areas and providing board games on the yards.	Governor	June 2023
		A dedicated agency resource will be funded for 16 weeks to support the painting programme at Albany.	GFSL	Complete
1.9	Black and minority ethnic and Muslim prisoners and those with mental health problems were far more negative than their	The Diversity and Inclusion (D&I) will be integrated with the Safety Team to enable increased joined up working.	Governor	Complete
	counterparts about some key aspects of their	The D&I Action Plan and the Safety Action Plan will be merged, enabling increased cross functionality and support.	Governor	Complete

	care, for example, their relationships with staff and the safety outcomes they experienced	Focus groups will be held with Black, Minority Ethnic and Muslim prisoners. All prisoners within these groups will also be invited to complete a survey to explore their experiences. Feedback will be used to create a working group focused on increasing cultural awareness, with a supporting action plan.	Governor	April 2023
		Forums will be organised to examine the issues raised by prisoners with mental health issues and their perceptions of care. This will be co-ordinated with targeted work to improve the ACCT processes (see Priority concern 1.3).	Governor	April 2023
l		The Racial Inclusion and Striving for Equality staff network (RISE) cultural awareness toolkit will be implemented to provide staff with a wider understanding of cultural differences and to examine staff culture and attitude.	Governor	June 2023
		Use of Force (UoF) and proportionality in relation to protected characteristics will be examined through UoF and equalities meetings. Feedback from prisoner/staff protected characteristic forums will also be reviewed at these meetings.	Governor	Complete
		The neurodiversity nurse will attend all UoF meetings.	Head of Healthcare	Complete
		Information relating to language translation services will be promoted and published within the establishment for prisoners. Clear guidance will be issued to staff as to when and how this should be accessed, along with the Foreign National Offender handout, to improve access for non-English speaking prisoners to essential services.	Governor	March 2023

1.10	Mental health and learning disability services did not provide adequate or timely evidence-based care or treatment	The Governor will commission a multi-disciplinary review of mental health and learning disability services, to include undertaking a 'prisoner journey'.	Governor	Complete
		The Local Delivery Quality Assurance Board (LDQB) will provide written narrative to the Deputy Governor on a quarterly basis outlining the mental health provision and issues that prevent treatment, evidence-based care or inadequate treatment.	Governor	March 2023
		A monthly workforce meeting will be arranged by the NHSE Commissioning Team to support the provider with their recruitment strategy and track the mental health service delivery through quarterly contract and performance meetings.	NHSE	Complete
		Learning disabilities interventions and assessments will be carried out in a timely manner. A new Psychologist, Assistant Psychologist and an Intellectual/Disability Nurse will be recruited to form part of the new service model.	Head of Healthcare	April 2023
		Weekly handovers for healthcare staff will be implemented to ensure the team are fully briefed on all patients with complex needs, with appropriate detail regarding their current plan of care and any actions outstanding.	Head of Healthcare	April 2023
		Individual clinical supervision will take place with all healthcare staff to provide an opportunity for reflection upon the importance of timely record keeping. Lessons learned will be anonymised and shared with the wider team.	Head of Healthcare	Complete
		Clinical record keeping will be reviewed through managerial one-to-ones to reflect on quality and provide an opportunity for peer feedback to drive the importance of high standards of documentation.	Head of Healthcare	Complete

		An e-learning module on 'Record Keeping' has been developed and is available on the training platform for staff to access. All healthcare staff will undertake this training within the next six months.	Head of Healthcare	August 2023
1.11	There was insufficient oversight of, and control over, medicines creating risks to staff and patients	Lockable containers will be ordered allowing medication to be transported safely across the Prison site.	Head of Healthcare	Complete
	patierns	New made to measure cabinets will be ordered to hold medication securely within the clinic.	Head of Healthcare	Complete
		Where transportation of Controlled Drugs (CD) is not conducted by porters and escorts, due to operational pressures, approval to move through gates will be managed via the control room.	Head of Healthcare	Complete
		The Chief Pharmacist will deliver two CD education and awareness sessions to all healthcare staff.	Head of Healthcare	Complete
		A full CD audit will be undertaken, with an accompanying action plan to remedy any faults/risks identified.	Head of Healthcare	Complete
		All CD will be destroyed in accordance with the drug licensing requirements, this will be overseen and by the Head of Healthcare.	Head of Healthcare	Complete
		A full-time pharmacist will be recruited for HMP Isle of Wight.	Head of Healthcare	May 2023
1.12	Leaders had not prioritised reading or literacy	A revised Education Skills and Work Reading Strategy will be published.	Governor	March 2023

A presentation will be delivered to the senior leadership team, clarifying the Reading Strategy and the expectations of them in terms of prioritisation.	Governor	April 2023
Shannon Trust delivery is now identified as a priority at the Regime Management Plan weekly meeting, with hours dedicated both during the week and weekend.	Governor	Complete
A full time Shannon Trust Tutor to be appointed, who will ensure all those who require literacy support are accurately identified and supported.	Governor	April 2023
The induction process will be reviewed to include a more robust reading assessment to identify reading starting points. Those identified with a reading or literacy need on reception will be allocated a Shannon Trust trained mentor.	Governor	April 2023
Waiting lists of those with a reading need and requiring support will be monitored within the Reducing Reoffending and Quality Improvement Group Meetings (QIG).	Governor	March 2023
Posters advertising the reading opportunities and support will be created and distributed on site.	Governor	April 2023
The prisons Mentor Strategy has been reviewed to ensure there is emphasis on the Information Advice and Guidance (IAG) and Shannon Trust roles being delivered effectively.	Governor	Complete
Phonics training will be delivered to all education staff.	Governor	June 2023
Face to face library services have been re-introduced with ongoing monitoring to ensure that this activity remains a priority.	Governor	Complete

		A training package for embedding Maths and English in workshops has been rolled out.	Governor	Complete
		Industry specific reading material will be purchased to encourage wider learning across work placements.	Governor	April 2023
1.13	Leaders did not make sure that prisoners could access education promptly enough to make progress towards their career aspirations	A full delivery plan review will be implemented, underpinned by an updated needs analysis. This will be commissioned at the start of the academic year and will include a review of English for Speakers of other Languages (ESOL), commissioned spaces and appropriate prioritisation.	Governor	March 2023
		All prisoners will have a digital education plan on arrival at HMP Isle of Wight (remand prisoners have the option to engage in this process) to assist prisoners in setting their Education, Skills and Work (ESW) goals. These plans will be reviewed with the IAG mentors within six months.	Governor	April 2023
		ESOL wait times will be monitored under a new weekly Education/ Learning and Skills Manager (LSM) meeting. Data will be discussed at the Quality Improvement Group (QIG) meeting, to also include engagement rates.	Governor	Complete
		The reducing re-offending management team will review the allocation of prisoners quarterly to ensure maximum and appropriate allocation.	Governor	March 2023
1.14	Prison offender managers did not have enough contact with prisoners or access to interventions to help them address their offending behaviour	An OMU Strategy will be introduced to outline the requirements for POM to prisoner contact. Delivery of these agreed levels of contact will be tracked during POM supervision sessions with the Head of Offender Management Delivery (HOMD).	Governor	June 2023

		The OMU will develop and introduce a plan to address the number of prisoners who have not had an Offender Assessment System (OASys) review in line with the Offender Management in Custody (OMiC) policy. Priority will be given to those whose sentence progression may become hindered due to a lack of up-to-date OASys.	Governor	Complete
		Two Probation Service agency staff will be secured to undertake assessments remotely to assist with staff shortfalls and alleviate POM's workloads.	Governor	Complete
		A community Probation Service Officer will be recruited to deliver a service to remand prisoners at HMP Isle of Wight in the absence of a dedicated POM.	Governor	Complete
1.15	There was too little support to help prisoners maintain or rebuild ties with their families and friends and no reliable resettlement help for those being released	The OMU will run a report monthly to determine which of the population is at the 6, 9, 12 and 18 month stage of their sentence. This will be escalated to the national Population Management Unit for onward movement of these prisoners to aid their resettlement.	Governor	Complete
		The SPIRES project will produce a business case to develop and deliver a four week resettlement course.	Governor	June 2023
		A Family and Significant Other Strategy will be developed in partnership with Barnardo's.	Governor	March 2023
		A review of video visits will be completed and the facilitation of video visits to be introduced at weekends, as well as in half term, to maximise children's attendance where applicable.	Governor	April 2023
		Family visit days will be re-introduced with an increased capacity, each prisoner will be allowed up to six visitors.	Governor	Complete

A Family Survey will be completed at least annually by Barnardo's.	Governor	Complete
The Story Book Dad's and Raising Readers schemes will be re-advertised through newsletters, the library and education departments. Access to these schemes will be regularly monitored.	Governor	April 2023
A Family Links programme will be designed and delivered during 2023 to include:	Governor	May 2023
 Identifying prisoners who are isolated and contacted as part of the welfare check. Identification of family ties to be sought during Induction process. A reprofile of staffing to include dedicated key work session with a focus on family ties and facilitating improved contact. 		