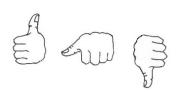


Inspection of HMP Woodhill

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Inspectors visited this prison in August 2023.



We wanted to find out if things were better, the same or worse for prisoners since we last visited in 2021.



We did this by:

- looking around the prison
- asking prisoners and staff to fill in a questionnaire
- speaking to prisoners
- speaking to staff and helpers
- reading documents.

What did we find?



Prisoners were not kept safe. We gave the prison 1 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners did not get enough help and support from staff. The prison was dirty. We gave the prison 2 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners were locked up for too long and had very little to do. We gave the prison 1 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners did not get enough help to get ready to leave HMP Woodhill.

We gave the prison 2 out of 4 for this.

What should the prison do?



We want the governor to read our inspection report. You can find the report in the prison library.

We want the governor to make a plan. The plan should tell us how they will fix the problems at HMP Woodhill and make things better for prisoners.

What do we want to happen?



We want prisoners to feel safe. We want the prison to do more to stop fights and bad behaviour.



We want prisoners who might hurt themselves to get more support.



We want prisoners to have more time out of their cells.



We want prisoners to have key work and more time doing activities.



We want teaching to be better. We want prisoners to get more help with their learning.



We want prisoners to get better care when they first arrive at the prison. We want them to be told the things they need to know.



We want officers to use less force on prisoners. We want the prison to check that officers are using force safely and only when they need to.



We want prisoners who are not well to get more help. We want medicine to be given out safely.

We want the prison to listen to what prisoners have to say. We want prisoners to get quicker replies to their complaints.

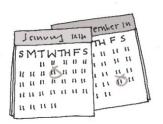


We want prisoners to have more time with their offender managers. We want them to get better information about jobs.



We want segregation to be cleaner. We want prisoners to spend less time in segregation and have more to do when they are there.

What will we do?



We will come back soon to check how well the prison is doing. We will write a report to tell people what we find.

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If you have any questions, please write to us:

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