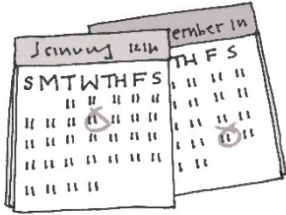
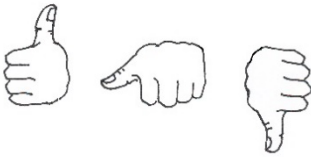




Inspection of HMP Whatton



Inspectors visited this prison in January 2024.



We wanted to find out if things were better, the same or worse for prisoners since we last visited in 2020.



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?



Most prisoners felt safe.

We gave the prison 4 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners were treated quite well by staff. Cells on B wing were in a bad condition.

We gave the prison 3 out of 4 for this.



Teaching for prisoners was not good enough. There was too little help for prisoners who were learning to read.

We gave the prison 2 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners had some help to get ready to leave the prison. Many waited too long to do the programmes they needed.

We gave the prison 3 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 Whatton and make things better for prisoners.

What do we want to happen?



We want prisoners to spend less time on basic. We want them to have more time out of their cells and be able to get a job.



We want cells on B wing to be warmer and less cramped. We want problems with mould to be sorted out.



We want medicine to be given out safely. We want the prison to do more to stop prisoners trading their medicine.



We want prisoners to get more help with their reading.



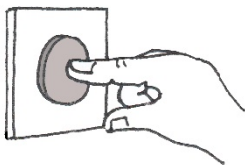
We want prisoners to get better information about jobs and careers.



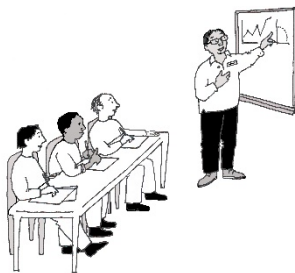
We want prisoners to start the courses they need to do more quickly.



We want staff to reply more quickly when prisoners complain or ask for something. We want the replies to be better.



We want the emergency call system on A8 wing to work better. We want prisoners on the wing to be safe.



We want more prisoners to be able to go to education.

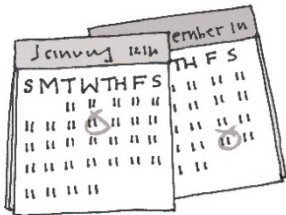


We want prisoners with learning difficulties and disabilities to get more help.

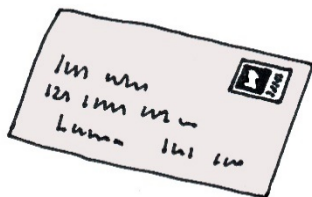


We want prisoners to have more time with their offender manager.

What will we do?



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



If you have any questions, please write to us:

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