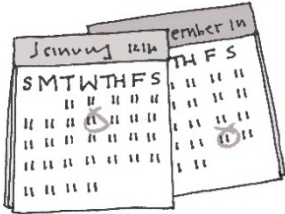
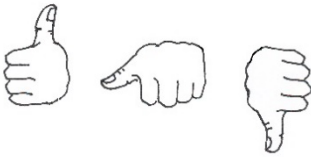




Inspection of HMP Five Wells



Inspectors visited this prison in January 2024.



We wanted to find out what things were like for prisoners.



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 safe enough. There were too many drugs and too much self-harm.

We gave the prison 2 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners did not get enough support from staff. The food was not good enough.

We gave the prison 2 out of 4 for this.



Too few prisoners went to education and work. Teaching was not good enough.

We gave the prison 1 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners had some good help to get ready to leave the prison.

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 Five Wells and make things better for prisoners.

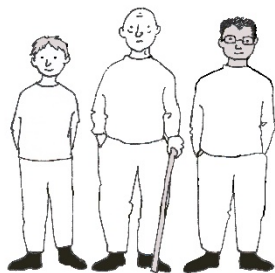
What do we want to happen?



We want the prison to do more to stop prisoners harming themselves.



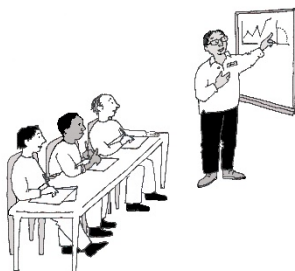
We want staff to give prisoners more guidance and support. We want them to help prisoners behave well.



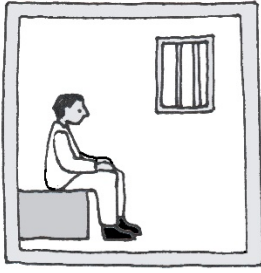
We want the prison to do more to make sure all prisoners are treated fairly.



We want prisoners to get better health care.



We want all prisoners to be able to go to education and work. We want teaching to be better.



We want prisoners in the segregation unit to get more time out of cell. We want them to be better looked after.



We want the prison to do more to sort out the problem with drugs.



We want the food to be better. We want more prisoners to be able to cook their own food.



We want prisoners to get more information and support to help them find a job when they leave prison.

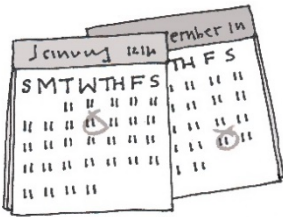


We want there to be more books in the library. We want the prison to do more to encourage prisoners to read.

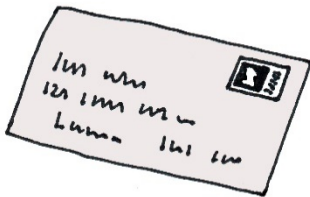


We want prisoners to get more help to stop them committing crime.

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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