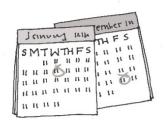
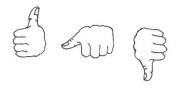


Inspection of HMP Buckley Hall



Inspectors visited this prison in February 2024.



We wanted to find out if things were better, the same or worse for prisoners since we last visited in 2019.



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 mostly felt safe, but there were too many drugs. Too many prisoners were harming themselves.

We gave the prison 3 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners were treated well by staff. Cells were too cramped and the prison needed lots of repairs.

We gave the prison 3 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners did not get enough time out of their cells. There were not enough education and work spaces.

We gave the prison 2 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners got good help to get ready to leave prison.

We gave the prison 4 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 Buckley Hall 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 the prison to ask prisoners what they think. We want them to listen to prisoners and make changes.



We want the prison to answer applications and complaints more quickly.



We want the prison buildings to be repaired. We want cells to be less cramped.



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



We want prisoners who need to be moved to secure hospitals to get there more quickly.

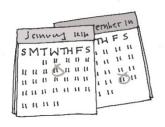


We want prisoners to have more time out of their cells.



We want prisoners to get more support with their career and education plans.

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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