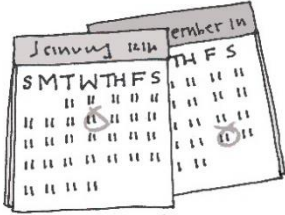
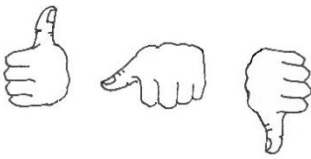




Inspection of HMP/YOI Swinfen Hall



Inspectors visited this prison in August and September 2024.



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 did not feel safe enough. There were too many drugs and some prisoners stayed in their cells because they felt unsafe.

We gave the prison 2 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners did not get enough help from staff with basic things. Staff did not make sure prisoners followed simple rules.

We gave the prison 2 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners did not get enough time out of their cells. Too many prisoners did not have a job.

We gave the prison 2 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners had some good help to get ready to leave the prison. Prisoners needed more help to see their family and friends.

We gave the prison 3 out of 4 for this.

What should the prison do?



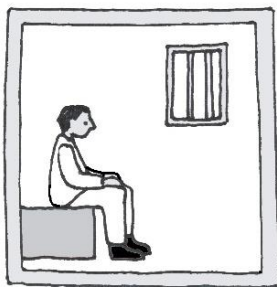
We want the governor to read our inspection report. You can find the report in the prison library.

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

What do we want to happen?



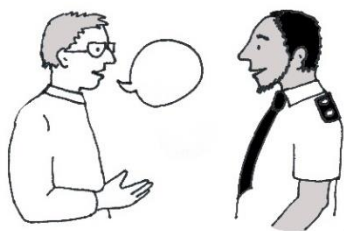
We want the prison to sort out the problem with drugs.



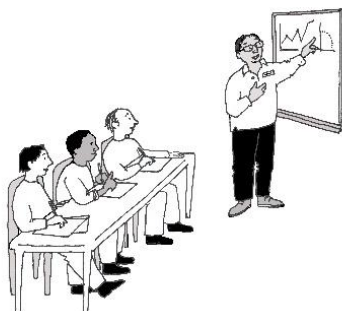
We want all prisoners to feel safe to leave their cells. We want the prison to do more to help prisoners who feel unsafe.



We want staff to only use force against prisoners when they really need to.



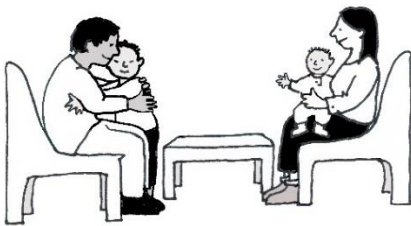
We want staff to help prisoners with basic things.



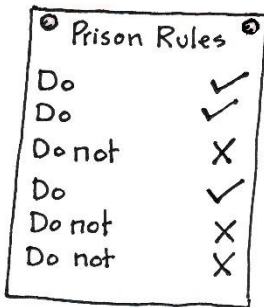
We want prisoners to get more time out of their cells. We want prisoners to go to jobs or activities that give them new skills.



We want prisoners to be able to attend education, training and work as well as other activities. We want the prison to make sure prisoners can get to their activities.



We want prisoners to get more help with seeing or speaking to their family and friends.

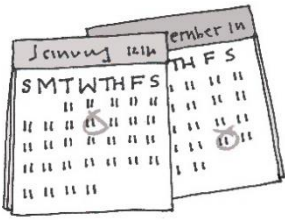


We want the prison to do more to help prisoners behave well. We want them to help prisoners follow simple rules, like cleaning the wings.



We want the prison to make sure all health care rooms are safe.

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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