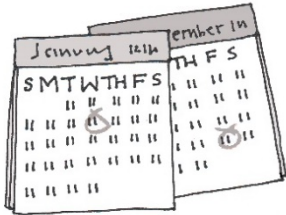




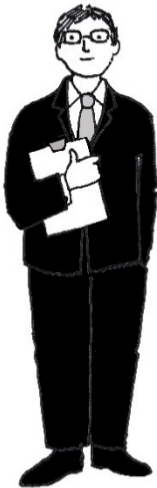
Inspection of HMP Wandsworth



Inspectors visited this prison in April and May 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. There were lots of drugs in the prison and too much violence. Too many prisoners were harming themselves.

We gave the prison 1 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners got very little support from staff. The prison was dirty and needed lots of repairs.

We gave the prison 1 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners got very little time out of their cells. Many prisoners were not going to education and work. Teaching was not good enough.

We gave the prison 1 out of 4 for this.



Prisoners did not get enough help to get ready to leave the prison.

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 Wandsworth and make things better for prisoners.

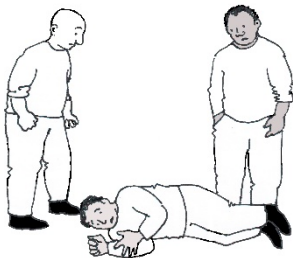
What do we want to happen?



We want prison officers to have the right skills to do their job. We want managers to spend more time with prisoners and officers on the wings.



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



We want the prison to do more to stop prisoners fighting each other and hurting staff.



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



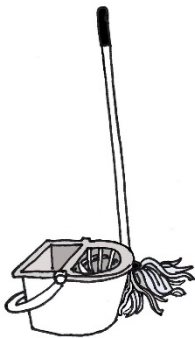
We want prisoners to have more time out of their cells for things like having a shower, doing some exercise and going to appointments.



We want all prisoners to be able to go to education and work. We want them to be paid fairly for going to activities.



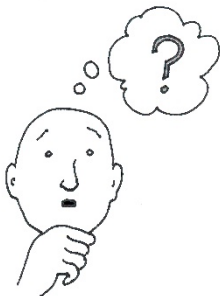
We want officers to spend more time with prisoners. We want them to give prisoners more help and support.



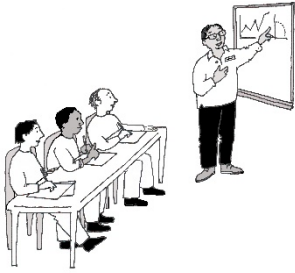
We want cells to be clean, and broken things to be fixed. We want showers to be repaired and the heating and hot water in the prison to work properly.



We want staff to listen to prisoners' ideas for making things better. We want prisoners' complaints and applications to be sorted out quickly.



We want there to be more help for foreign national prisoners, like going to English classes and having information in other languages.



We want teaching and learning to be better. We want prisoners to learn skills that will help them when they leave prison, like getting a job.

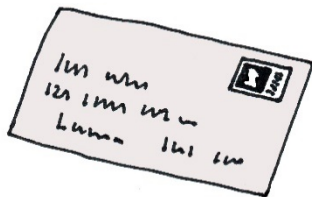


We want unsentenced prisoners to get more help before they leave the prison.

What will we do?



We will come back within a year 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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