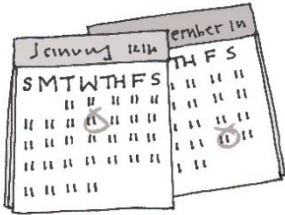
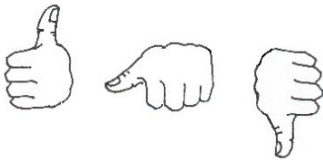




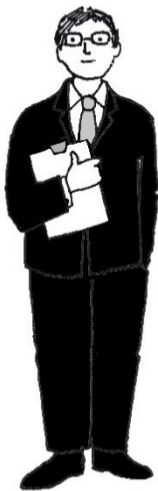
Inspection of HMP Aylesbury



Inspectors visited this prison in February 2026.



We wanted to find out if things were better, the same or worse for prisoners since we last visited in 2022.



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?



Safety: 3 out of 4

- The prison needed to do more to stop drugs getting in.
- Prisoners who took drugs got good support.
- Not enough was done to help prisoners who might harm themselves.



Respect: 3 out of 4

- The prison was not crowded.
- Prisoners could get cleaning materials and clean bedding.
- Prisoners mostly got good support from staff, but often staff did not respond to prisoners' requests very well.
- Prisoners could not always get to health care appointments outside the prison.



Things to do: 2 out of 4

- Prisoners could not always do courses that would help them learn useful skills.
- Not enough prisoners took part in education or work activities.



Getting ready to leave prison: 2 out of 4

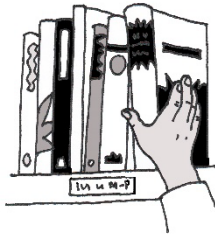
- Prisoners did not always get enough help to get ready for life after prison.
- The prison provided a peaceful room for visitors who had serious illnesses or physical disabilities.

What should the prison do?



We want the governor to read the report we wrote about Aylesbury and make a plan.

The plan should tell us how they will fix the problems at Aylesbury and make things better for prisoners.



You can find the report we wrote in the prison library.

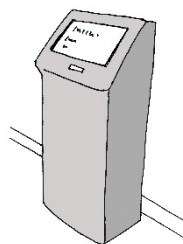
What do we want to happen?



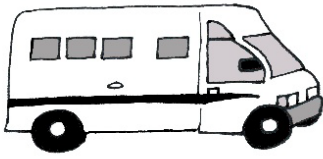
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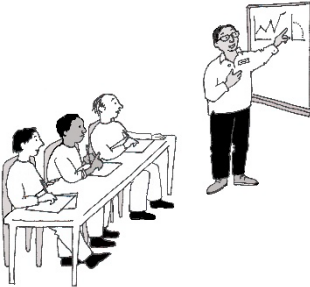
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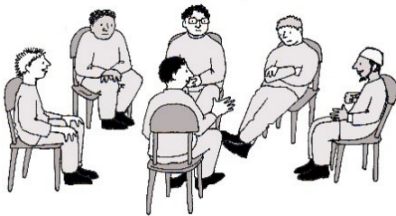
We want the prison to help men with their simple requests.



We want prisoners to be able to get to health care appointments outside the prison.

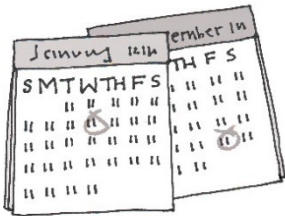


We want prisoners to go to education and work activities that will help them get jobs in the future.



We want prisoners to be able to do the programmes and courses they need before they leave prison.

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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