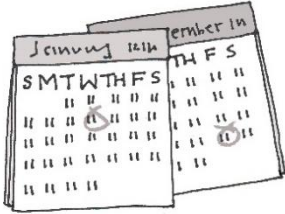
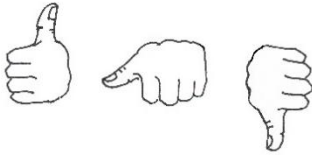




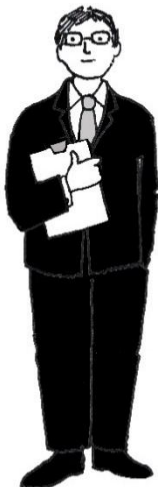
# Inspection of HMP & YOI Portland



Inspectors visited this prison in January 2026.



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



Inspectors did this by:

- looking around the prison
- asking prisoners and staff to fill in a paper survey
- speaking to prisoners
- speaking to staff and helpers
- reading documents.

# What did we find?



## **Safety: 2 out of 4**

- There were too many drugs.
- Too many prisoners were harming themselves.



## **Respect: 3 out of 4**

- Prisoners got on well with staff.
- Patients did not always get safe health care.
- Prisoners with physical disabilities needed better support.



## **Things to do: 3 out of 4**

- Most prisoners had quite good time out of their cells.
- Activities were not cancelled very often.
- Prisoners usually got to activities on time.
- Prisoners were able to learn useful skills to help them get jobs.



## **Getting ready to leave prison: 2 out of 4**

- Prisoners needed more help to see and speak to their families.
- Many prisoners could not do courses to help them change their behaviour.
- Some prisoners did not have a safe place to live when they left the prison.

## What should the prison do?



We want the governor to read the report we wrote about HMP & YOI Portland and make a plan.

The plan should tell us how they will fix the problems at HMP & YOI Portland and make things better for prisoners.

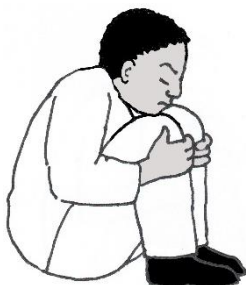


You can find the report we wrote in the prison library.

## What do we want to happen?



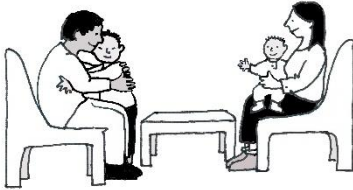
We want the prison to sort out the problems with drugs and violence.



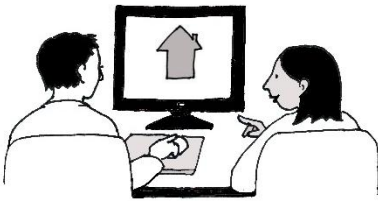
We want the prison to do more to help prisoners who might harm themselves.



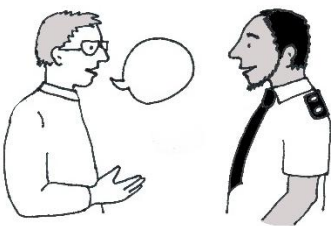
We want patients to get health care that is safe.



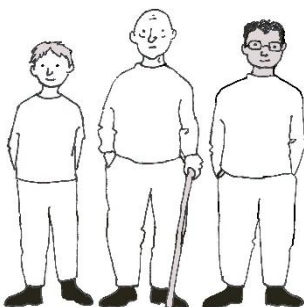
We want prisoners to get more support to see and speak to their family and friends.



We want all prisoners to get enough help before they leave the prison, with things like finding somewhere to live.

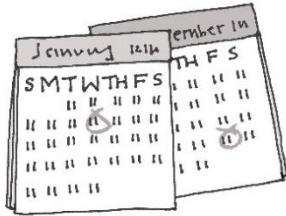


We want prisoners to be able to speak to an officer who knows them regularly.



We want all prisoners to be treated fairly. We want prisoners with physical disabilities to get the support they need.

# 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.



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