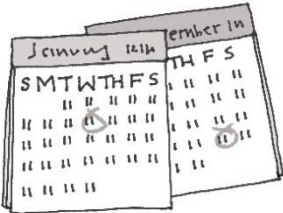
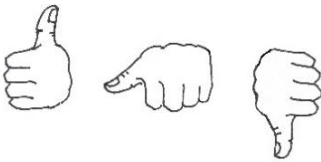




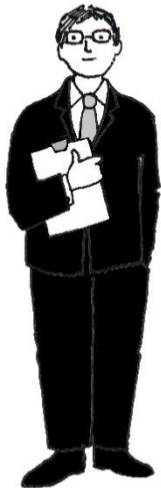
Inspection of HMP Leyhill



Inspectors visited this prison in July 2026.



We wanted to find out if things were better, the same or worse for prisoners since we last visited in 2023.



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: 4 out of 4

- New prisoners got good help to settle in.
- There was not much violence.
- Officers didn't use force on prisoners very often.
- There was good support to stop prisoners harming themselves.



Respect: 4 out of 4

- Leaders at the prison listened to prisoners' views and tried to change things.
- Prisoners thought the food was good.
- The prison buildings and gardens were well looked after.



Things to do: 2 out of 4

- Prisoners could not develop the right skills to help them get jobs.
- Many prisoners could not get work when they were released.
- Access to the library and exercise were good.



Getting ready to leave prison: 4 out of 4

- Prisoners got good help to see and speak to their families.
- The prison helped prisoners to get ROTL (release on temporary licence).
- Prisoners got good help to get ready to leave the prison.
- On the day they were released, the prison helped prisoners get to the local train station.

What should the prison do?



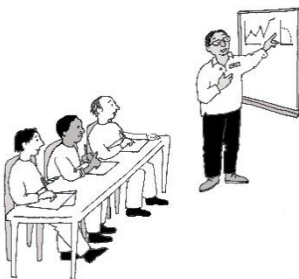
We want the governor to read the report we wrote about HMP Leyhill and make a plan.

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

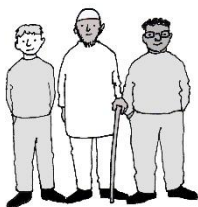


You can find the report we wrote in the prison library.

What do we want to happen?



We want prisoners to learn things that will help them get jobs when they leave prison.



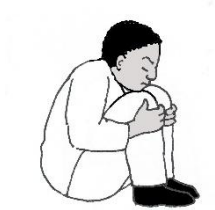
We want prisoners with disabilities to be looked after safely.



We want prisoners to be able to get phone calls and basic items, like canteen orders and toiletries, on their first night at Leyhill.



We want health care to be safe.



We want the prison to make sure that staff know what prisoners want to happen if they stop breathing.



We want prisoners to learn the skills they need for life in modern Britain, like computer skills and how to stay safe online.

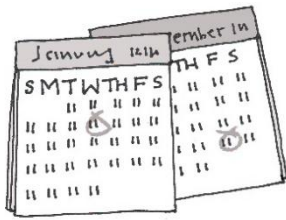


We want prisoners to be able to go out on ROTL (release on temporary licence) more quickly.



We want prisoners to see an offender manager more often, so they can talk about their progress.

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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