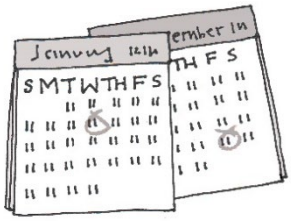
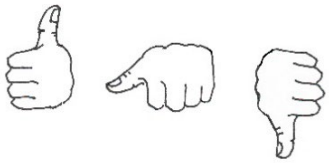
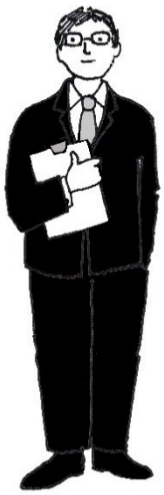
Inspection of HMP Spring Hill



Inspectors visited this prison in August 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: 4 out of 4

- There was not much violence.
- Officers didn't use force on prisoners very often.
- Prisoners got good support to stop them harming themselves.
- New prisoners did not always get food or a phone call if they arrived in the evening.
- It was easy for prisoners to get drugs and mobile phones.



Respect: 3 out of 4

- Some buildings were old, dirty and needed lots of repairs.
- Prison staff listened to prisoners' views and tried to change things.
- The food in the prison was getting better.
- Health care was good.



Things to do: 2 out of 4

- Too many prisoners did not go to work or education, or they got to their classes or work late.
- Some prisoners could not learn things that would help them make progress.
- There was not enough for prisoners to do. The library was often closed and there were not enough sports sessions.



Getting ready to leave prison: 3 out of 4

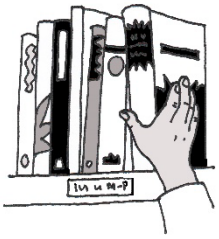
- The prison worked hard to help men get jobs.
- ROTL (release on temporary licence) helped men to see their families.
- Prisoners got good help to get ready to leave the prison.

What should the prison do?



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

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



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

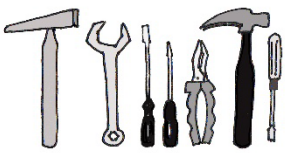
What do we want to happen?



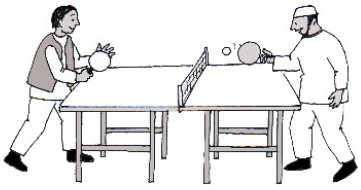
We want the prison to do more to stop drugs and mobile phones getting in.



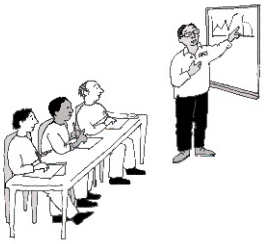
We want all prisoners to get food and a phone call when they get to the prison. We want them to be able to get their personal property.



We want the old huts to be replaced or repaired. We want the prison to be clean and tidy.



We want there to be more for prisoners to do, like sport, going to the library or social activities.



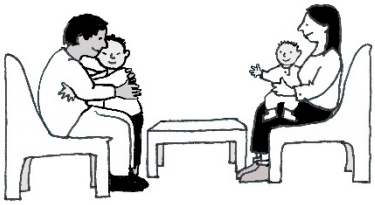
We want prisoners to go to education and work activities. We want them to arrive at work and classes on time.



We want prisoners to do education and work that will help them. We want them to be able to get qualifications.



We want the prison to take more notice of the skills prisoners gain when they do work outside of the prison.

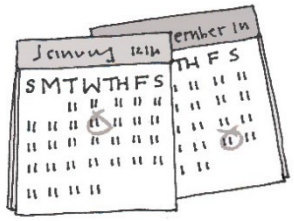


We want prisoners who don't get ROTL to have more contact with their families.

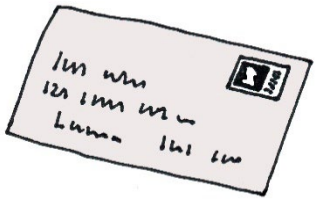


We want prisoners to be able to see their prison offender manager more often.

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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