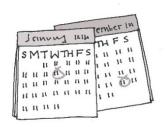
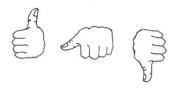


Inspections of HMP Usk and HMP/YOI Prescoed



Inspectors visited these prisons in May 2025.



We wanted to find out if things were better, the same or worse for prisoners since we last visited in 2021.



Inspectors did this by:

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

What did we find at HMP Usk?



Safety: 4 out of 4

- Prisoners felt safe.
- There was very little violence and not many drugs.



Respect: 4 out of 4

- Prisoners and staff got on well with each other.
- The prison was clean and tidy.



Things to do: 4 out of 4

- Most prisoners got lots of time out of their cells.
- Most prisoners went to education or work for most of the day.



Getting ready to leave prison: 4 out of 4

 Prisoners got good help to get ready to leave prison.

What did we find at HMP/YOI Prescoed?



Safety: 4 out of 4

- Prisoners felt safe.
- There was very little violence and not many drugs.



Respect: 4 out of 4

- Prisoners and staff got on well with each other.
- Some parts of the prison were dirty.



Things to do: 3 out of 4

- Most prisoners got lots of time out of their cells.
- Most prisoners had jobs. But some prisoners did not have enough to do in their jobs.



Getting ready to leave prison: 4 out of 4

 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 Usk and HMP/YOI Prescoed. We want the governor to make a plan to fix the small number of problems we found at the prisons.



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

What do we want to happen?



We want prisoners at Prescoed to have enough to do in their jobs.



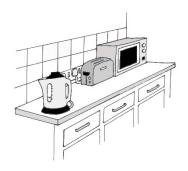
We want prisoners at Prescoed to be able to get day release (ROTL) more quickly.



We want wings and outside areas at Prescoed to be cleaner.



We want staff at Prescoed to walk around the wings more and talk to prisoners.



We want prisoner kitchens and cooking areas at Prescoed to be better. We want men to be able to learn cooking skills.



We want staff to check if prisoners go to health appointments and clinics.

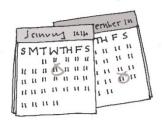


We want prisoners to get the right medicine.



We want prisoners at Prescoed to be able to use the phone when they need to. We want them to be able to speak on the phone in private.

What will we do?



We will come back in a few years to check how well the prisons are 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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