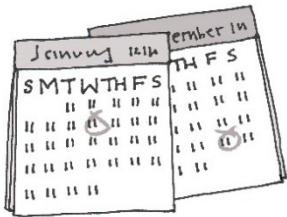
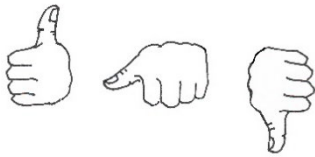




Inspection of HMP Wormwood Scrubs



Inspectors visited this prison in June 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 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.
- The prison did not always check how force was being used.



Respect: 3 out of 4

- Most staff treated prisoners well. There was some good work to support black prisoners.
- Some parts of the prison were being painted and repaired.
- Many showers and some in-cell toilets did not have screens.



Things to do: 1 out of 4

- Prisoners did not get enough time out of their cells.
- There were not enough education and work spaces.
- Prisoners did not get a good choice of activities.



Getting ready to leave prison: 2 out of 4

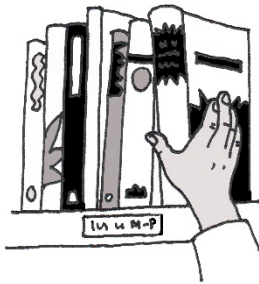
- Prisoners could not see their offender managers very often.
- Too many prisoners left the prison with no safe place to stay.

What should the prison do?



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

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



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

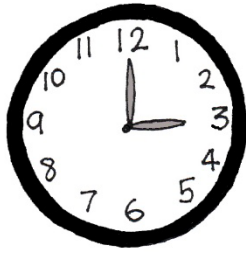
What do we want to happen?



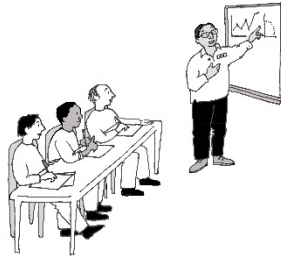
We want the prison to sort out the problem with drugs.



We want the prison to make sure force is used safely and correctly.



We want prisoners to get more time out of their cells. We want them to be able to go to activities, visits and appointments.



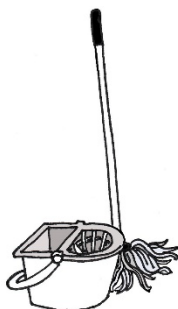
We want there to be enough spaces in education and work for all prisoners.



We want prisoners to be able to do activities that support their learning needs and help them get a job.



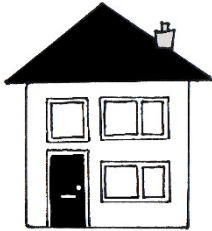
We want new prisoners to be able to call their family and friends. We want them to get health checks.



We want the units to be clean. We want showers and toilets in cells to have screens.

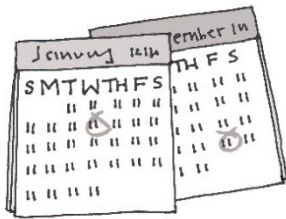


We want prisoners to see their offender managers more often. We want prisoners to get more help to do well during their time in prison.

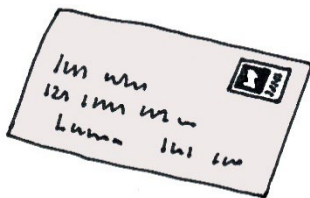


We want prisoners who leave to have a safe place to stay when they leave the prison.

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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