



Cloverhill Prison
Visiting Committee Annual
Report 2014

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Introduction

Cloverhill Prison is a closed, medium security prison for adult males, which primarily caters for remand prisoners committed from the Leinster area. Its operational capacity is 433.

The Visiting Committee would like to thank the Minister for Justice, Equality & Defence, The Director General of the Irish Prison Service (IPS) the Governor's in Cloverhill and all their staff for the continued improvements in Cloverhill Prison. During the year we experienced a great relationship with prison management. Our ongoing monthly meetings gives the Visiting Committee an opportunity to discuss matters which have come to our attention. When any concerns are raised with the Governor's they assist in resolving any issues that may have been raised with professionalism and due diligence.

The Visiting Committee has formed the opinion that the improved accommodation issues that came about later in the year of 2014 has lead to an improvement within the prison and the overall attitude of the prisoners.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the different departments within Cloverhill prison, their input plays a vital role in assisting with the smooth running of the prison. It is hoped that this continued hard work will change the outlook prisoners have in jail and help them to improve their life outside of the prison, and make them responsible adults for the sake of the community and their own families.

In the course of the year the Visiting Committee got the opportunity to visit Wheatfield Prison and The Dochas Centre. Management and staff were extremely hospitable and helpful. We found the tours very beneficial to see the practises and operations in other prisons.

During the year the West Dublin Campus was visited by the Director General and other prison officials from Northern Ireland. They noted the good relationship between the Governor's and the prisoners.

During the year, unfortunately the Visiting Committee were unable to meet with the Inspector Of Prisons, however an invitation has been extended and we hope to meet the Inspector in the coming months of 2015.

The Committee

The Committee meet on the second Thursday of each month. The committee member's numbers remained at four during 2014. All meetings were always well attended. On a rota basis two members of the committee each month conducted unannounced visits to the prison to ensure that the prison continues to be run in a safe, humanitarian and efficient way. During these monthly visits the members made a point of conducting comprehensive tours of the prison to all areas. We continue with our practice of talking to internal and external staff working in these areas whom we encountered, and any prisoners in the vicinity. We agreed and set out at the start of the year an agenda of issues that we wished to monitor, and explore. We set an objective for ourselves to meet both professional non prison service staff, and in house staff who work in specific areas in the prison to gain a better understanding of the need to consider both security, and prison sub cultural issues in the prison context

Visits to prisoners

During the year we as a committee continue to see a large number of prisoners. There were numerous prisoners who requested to see the visiting committee in 2014, with some of those prisoners requesting a visit on more than 1 occasion. There were also numerous prisoners who requested to see the VC during 2014 who were either released, transferred, had court appearances, or declined. Cloverhill Prison largely accommodates remand prisoners, and therefore the prison population can be somewhat transient in composition. This has the impact of ensuring a large daily turnover, and discharge of the prison population, some of whom may not be recommitted. In order to ensure we see as many prisoners as possible when we visit, we endeavour to make ourselves readily available, so that there is little time delay in actually seeing the prisoners from the date of their actual request. On monthly meeting days any prisoner who wishes to see us was facilitated by two members meeting him before the meeting. In Cloverhill Prison the committee members actually go down to the division of the prisoner to see them in their environment.

We are satisfied that representations which we have made on behalf of inmates are considered by the Governor, and where possible, and practical are being addressed by prison management.

Overcrowding

This remained a continued cause for concern in 2014. When the prison population increases to over 400 inmates it leads to operational difficulties and can be difficult to manage. This has led to inmates sometimes sleeping on floors, and pressure put on the services provided by the staff of the prison. This year again we have received complaints from prisoners that committals have been put in their cell during the night on a mattress, which causes

tension, and disruption during the night to all prisoners in the cell. The problem alleviated somewhat towards the end of the year with the transfer of sex protection prisoners on remand to the Midlands Prison and the transfer of sentenced prisoners to Wheatfield Prison. Towards the end of the year extra staff were transferred to Cloverhill which also alleviated staff problems. We have previously highlighted our opinion that there is an apparent link between overcrowding, and tensions in prisons, this is apart from the health and safety concerns for both staff, and prisoners. We forcefully reiterate that opinion. We feel that it has a tremendous burden on the officers, aside from obvious security implications. Cloverhill is unique because of its remand status there will always be a constant flow of prisoners. We urge the Irish Prison Service to be more proactive in dealing with this potentially dangerous situation in order to be more effective in finding a solution.

Deportations

Deportations continue to be housed overnight or for only a few hours. We reiterate our previous opinion that these prisoners should be going to a secure holding centre, not Cloverhill prison. The prison should not have to deal with what are specifically immigration problems. The question has been raised before if prison is the appropriate place for their detention. The whole area needs to be reviewed by the minister. It is often the case that prisoners are deported where many have had no access to legal advice. The CPT on their visit during the year also raised concerns in relation to this practise.

Foreign Nationals

Cloverhill continues to accommodate more foreign nationals with immigration issues than any other prison in the country. The committee wish to reiterate its comments made over the years, we call on he minister to review the area of communication which has become an increasing problem. The language barrier creates problems that need to be addressed. The committee have previously identified this as an area where there is room for development of the role of the Prison Officer. It is suggested that one of the ways that this can be addressed is by either specifically recruiting or training up serving prison officers in language skills. Their role would be to act as prison interpreters, and they would be used to deal with prisoners on committal, and as required when there is a need for an interpreter.

Bullying and racism

We have not had any report of bullying or racism made to us during the year. In March 2014 there was a reform of the Prisoner Complaint procedures and all issues with regard to bullying or racism can be investigated appropriately. There were category A complaint investigations held with regard to these issues and none were upheld.

Prisoner Fatalities

Unfortunately there was one fatality (MS) in 2014 in Cloverhill prison, the

prisoner's remains was repatriated to his family in Poland. His funeral was attended by Chaplain of Cloverhill Sr. Margaret O'Donovan on behalf on the Governor's and staff. We cannot comment further as the matter is under investigation. Sympathies with the family.

Security Measures - Drugs.

Again we wish to highlight our disappointment that the passive drug detection dog continues to be no longer used during the week in conjunction with the search procedures. We have never encountered any drug dogs when visiting the prison.

There was a feature recently highlighted in the media of the problem of drugs being thrown over prison walls, and being passed to prisoners on visits, this was raised due to two recent drug related deaths in custody. Cloverhill operates screen visits, which eliminates the passing of drugs on visits, however drugs coming in over the wall from boundaries outside continues to be a huge cause for concern. Prisoners do retrieve some of the drugs which can lead to security and operational problems within the prison.

Protection Prisoners

There continues to be a substantial increase in the number of prisoners requesting protection on committal to prison. This can be a significant percentage of the prison population on any given day. This continues to place a massive strain on the prison's resources, and can be a logistical nightmare. All of these prisoners have to be segregated, and within the segregation there can be further segregation. This leads to a restricted prison regime, including limited access to education.

The alarming growth of protection is a consequential reflection of the gang culture in society. As we highlighted previously external gang feuds affiliations do not stop at the gate of the prison when people are committed to prison.

Boss Chair

The Body Orifice Security System is still in use. The chair is designed to detect objects secreted internally. So far its detection has led to a 39% reduction in mobile phones into the prison. The committee has seen it demonstrated, and have spoken to the staff that have used it in reception. We feel it will continue to have a huge impact in reducing the amount of phones smuggled into prison, and will cut down on prisoners being intimidated to bring in articles, as their chances of being caught are increased.

Videolinks

This continues to be an underused resource. As a result the Governor in Cloverhill decided to cease the operation of the facility. A number of months later at the request of the Court Services, a meeting was held in Cloverhill, at which time a number of guarantees were given by the Judge and the Court

Services that have to date not been honoured. It is with regret that we note the underuse of this valuable resource.

Library

This is an excellent facility available in the prison, and when open is utilized by a large proportion of the prison population. In Cloverhill the library is timetabled to open a possible four days each week as a result of the extra staff recently relocated from Mountjoy Prison which alleviated the staffing shortages. Three prison officers are assigned to work in the library for each period. This facilitates more offenders to use the library. All divisions in Cloverhill are allocated time to visit the library. Prisoners have the same information needs as the public, unfortunately a greater number of prisoners have lower education skills, many have learning difficulties and often require assistance in their need to seek information. The prison library puts extra significance in areas of relevance to the prison population, i.e. bible studies in different religions, legal matters and foreign languages. The provision of library services to protection prisoners can sometimes present problems and can be challenging for the staff, this requires full operational support. Another posing challenge for the library is the lack of changing modern technology, that can that offer a higher quality of education and a better understanding of learning to prisoners that may have impairments such as deafness and other physical difficulties. Many prisoners who have cognitive difficulties etc can unfortunately not avail of library services due to the lack of these resources. The Visiting Committee would like to take the opportunity to request the Irish Prison Service to review the services currently available in the library to cater for inmates with disabilities. We believe it would improve the quality of life for many prisoners, and may assist in learning the skills required to survive outside of the prison in the community.

The stock in the library was increased during the year, foreign language books in Polish, Chinese, Russian, Lithuanian, Romanian, Spanish, and Czechoslovakian are included in that stock. This reflects the diversity of the prison population. Books in their own languages can help break the boredom for foreign nationals, and obviously helps relax their minds. Many prisoners use the library to read daily papers, listen to music and use computers.

Gymnasiums

The Gymnasiums in the prison continues to be well equipped. It provides quality Physical Education, Recreation, Sport, and much needed physical activity. Sport can be a means of learning for many prisoners. It can also help prisoners to communicate better with other prisoners and peers, while helping to achieve a healthy lifestyle. The Gym is available to all prisoners, and it gives prisoners the opportunity to work in a gym environment to get fit, engage in prison work opportunities, while maintaining physical health and often mental health in custody. There are –PE Teachers, and number of NECF trained prison officers who work together as a team to provide excellent professional programs, and service. They have continued to train a number of inmates up to FETAC standard in fitness. The Visiting Committee would welcome a proposal for prisoners to participate in more outdoor sports to encourage interaction and good humour between prisoners and grasp an

understanding of team sports. We are aware that space is an issue in Cloverhill and there are many fractions of prisoners, but the development of an all weather pitch sometime in the future would be a step in a positive direction.

Kitchen

Once again the Kitchen continues to set high standards, and this showed with the kitchen receiving increased markings from the external auditors. The kitchen in Cloverhill is a very busy workshop with meals for over 400 prisoners cooked 3 times a day, as well as lunches for roughly 100 prisoners attending cloverhill Court on a daily basis. At present there are 23 inmates working in the kitchen. (16 in main kitchen and 7 in the staff canteen). These inmates work with the WTO s, and receive education and training in catering and health and safety, which if completed can receive recognized awards or certificates.

We have sampled the food with the Governors and clerical staff, and were impressed with the high standards and professionalism of the staff, and we compliment the staff on the quality of the food. Continued support should be given to continue moving forward.

ISM (Integrated Sentence Management)

The Integrated Sentence Management (ISM) system is to ensure co-ordination of interactions with prisoners based on agreed sentence plans.

As part of ISM, prisoners take a greater personal responsibility for their own development through active engagement with services in the prisons. ISM involves initial assessment, goal setting and periodic review to measure progress.

Under ISM, a newly committed prisoner with a sentence of one year or greater is assessed by an ISM Co-ordinator. A personal plan for the prisoner to complete during their time in prison is then drawn up. The plan is reviewed regularly between the ISM Co-ordinator and the prisoner, with written reports feeding in from the relevant services and agencies.

Prior to release, the ISM Co-ordinator meets the prisoner to establish his needs on release and a plan is put in place to assist his re-integration into the community.

Health Care

Cloverhill Prison has 24 hour Nursing cover and 7 day week GP cover plus on call GP service which form the basis of Primary Healthcare .All committals to Cloverhill have a Nursing Assessment on committal and are seen the following day by the GP. Prisoners can see the GP on request on 5 days per week .In addition to Primary Health care the following clinics take place also-

Methadone Clinic: Daily with an average of 110 prisoners receiving methadone. This is dispensed by Nursing staff.

Dental Clinics: There are 3 morning clinics per week, being Monday, Wednesday and Friday carried out by Dental staff from the Dublin Dental Hospital. An average of 5 inmates per clinic are seen.

Psychiatric Clinics: There is a full Psychiatric Team consisting of 1 Consultant Psychiatrist, 2 Registrars and 2 Forensic Community Psychiatric Nurses from the CMH that attend at 5 days per week. Clinics are morning and afternoon depending on need. This team also perform a Court diversion scheme which identifies mentally unwell prisoners and finds treatment places in Community Psychiatric Hospitals for them. They will be taken to these places, with the agreement of the Courts for treatment.

Addiction Clinics: There are 3 afternoon clinics per week Monday, Wednesday and Friday. This service is provided by Addiction Psychiatrists from the National Drug Treatment Centre, Trinity Court. An average of 10 inmates per clinic would normally be seen.

STI and HIV Clinic: This takes place every two weeks and is carried out by a Consultant in infectious diseases from St James Hospital and a Nurse Officer from Cloverhill.

Phlebotomy Clinic: This is carried out as required by Cloverhill Nursing staff

Dressing Clinic: This is carried out on a daily basis by Cloverhill Nursing staff

ECG Clinic: This is carried out as required by Cloverhill Nursing staff

Nurse Prescribing: There are currently 2 Cloverhill Nurses who have trained and qualified as Nurse Prescribers. This allows them to assess and prescribe medication for inmates without having to see the Doctor. This is especially useful when GPs are off duty e.g. Night Duty.

Overall Healthcare service in Cloverhill is good and well managed. Unfortunately, like most areas in the prison staff redeployment under diminishing task lines has impacted on the Healthcare service. It has meant withdrawal of Officer support for clinics to facilitate other areas. In the future as the economy improves it is hoped that shortage of staff will be addressed. To conclude one Nurse Officer received an Irish Prison service medal of merit in 2014 for saving a number of inmates lives which reflects the standards of care achieved.

[Red Cross & Listeners](#)

The Red Cross prison based program has been up and running in Cloverhill since 2010. The programme takes place under a partnership between the Irish Red Cross (IRC), Irish Prison Service (IPS) and Education & Training Boards Ireland (ETBI), and most importantly, the prisoners who are trained to become Red Cross volunteers. The volunteers in Cloverhill have raised

community health and hygiene awareness and first aid in prison through peer to peer education. Over the last few years some of their projects have involved educating others prisons around TB/ HIV proper hand washing and what to do if a prisoner is having a seizure. This year's group had a very successful project supporting the Cross care Christmas food appeal in Dec 2014. They are assessing their Cloverhill community presently to see what projects to improve their community they can become involved in'.

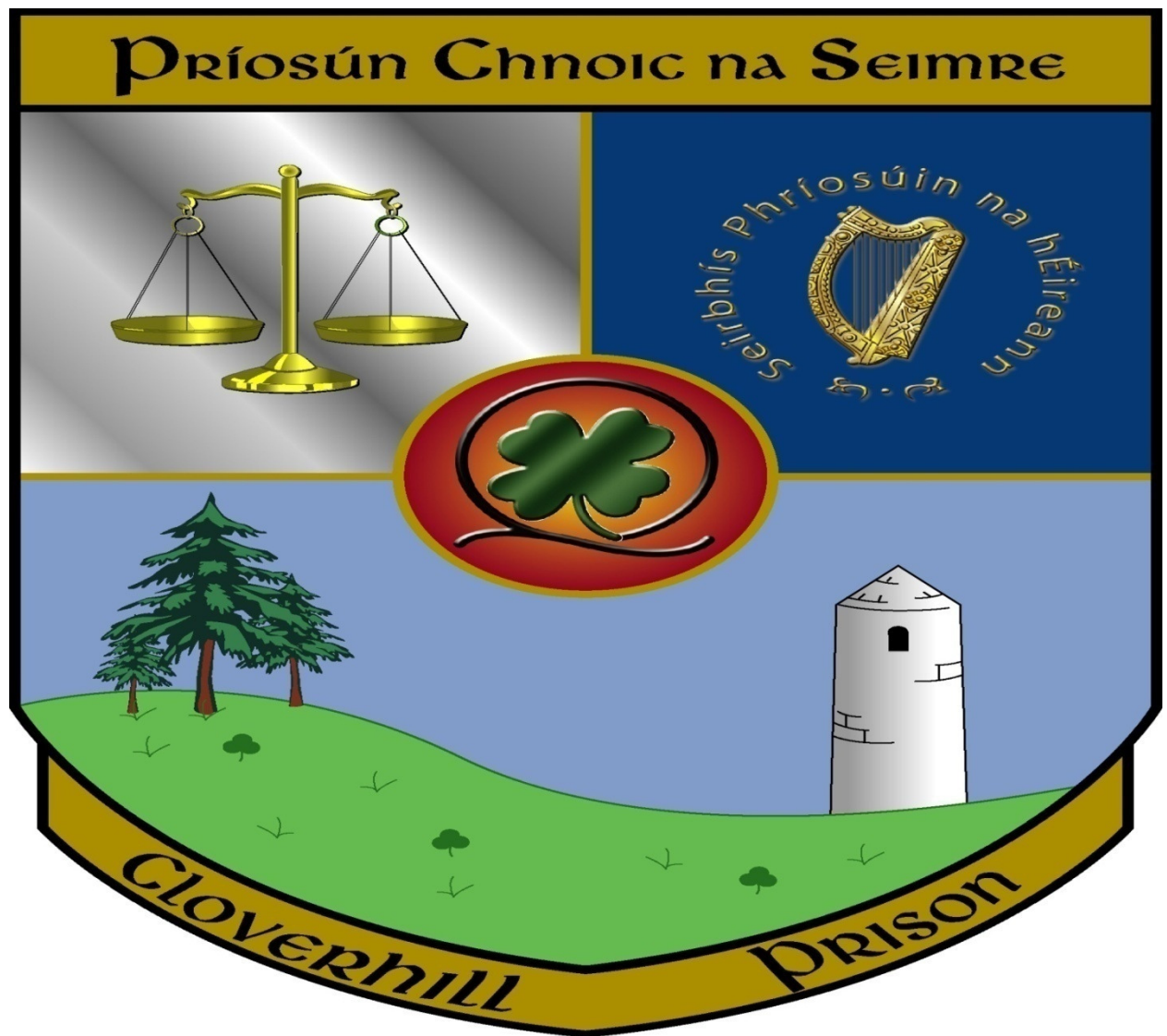
2014 marked the eleventh anniversary of the Listening Scheme in Cloverhill Prison. At present there are fifty one listeners throughout the Irish prison system. They are recognised by all as part of the front line for helping prisoners from all walks of life. The number of lives that may have been helped by this scheme is believed to be very high. Prisoners interested in becoming a listener must undergo a screening process and then afterwards attend a six week course. Confidentiality is a must and the whole process is built on this. Some prisoners have stated that they feel they have become better people for learning the skills involved and helping others. Hopefully the Listeners Scheme will grow from strength to strength, and remain a positive light in times of darkness.

Education Centre

Please see attached a comprehensive Educational Report. This report was compiled by the Head of the Educational Unit in Cloverhill. The Visiting Committee thank her for the continued support and professionalism in providing education to prisoners while in custody.

Cloverhill Work & Training

Please see attached a comprehensive Work & Training Report of the different areas in the prison for the year 2014. The Visiting Committee thank all Officers in charge of these areas for their continued support and assistance throughout the year.



Cloverhill Prison Educational Report 2014

Report for Visiting Committee from Education Unit

2013 2014

Access:

- ✓ Due to the poor numbers of attendance from the protection wing in 2012 – 2013 a decision was taken not to have protection only times in the unit. In this academic year access was open to A, B, D and E. Wings increasing the number of sessions to all students to 15 per week. This impacted positively on the timetable and enabled teaching. A suggestion to accommodate protection prisoners within this access arrangement was not supported by prison management.
- ✓ Access for protection prisoners remains a priority for the education unit in the next academic year and every effort will be made to devise an arrangement that will be acceptable to prison management

Officer Shortages:

The education unit requires 3 school officers at a minimum to collect prisoners for education. The prison management is very supportive in terms of keeping this number of education officers in the education unit. However there were 35 occasions in the year when the education unit had to operate with only two officers, an increase of 15 from the previous year. There is no post for a school officer and this means that the unit is staffed by different officers sometimes on a daily basis. Continuity is required to maximise collection for education. Due to transformation and cutbacks in staff numbers there is no prospect of this situation improving.

Improvement to Access for 2014 - 2015:

The education unit will propose to prison management that protection prisoners be granted access on a case by case basis. If a protection prisoner requests education, the head teacher will meet them to discuss their concerns of mixing with prisoners from A, B and E. wings. If times they are happy to come to the unit can be identified then these details will be sent to prison management. If management are happy from a security point of view then a timetable will be devised. It is envisaged that the PM section of the timetable is the best option for protection prisoners to attend.

The education unit does not have the teaching resources to hold classes outside of the education unit so if this suggestion does not work, prison management must take responsibility for the fact that protection prisoners in Cloverhill do not have access to education.

Curriculum:

The following were the awards, subject areas and courses available for the academic year 2013-2014.

Awards:

- ✓ General Learning Certificate – FETAC Level 2
- ✓ Certificate in Employability Skills – FETAC Level 3
- ✓ Certificate in General Learning – FETAC Level 3
- ✓ Certificate in ICT – FETAC Level 3
- ✓ Component Specifications at FETAC Levels 4 & 5
- ✓ Maths, English, CSPE, Business Studies & Art at Junior Cert Level
- ✓ Maths and Art at Leaving Cert Level

Certification was achieved in the awards highlighted in blue.

Accreditation is provided by the following awarding bodies:

- ✓ Department of Education and Science
- ✓ QQI/FETAC
- ✓ ECDL
- ✓ Associated Board of the Royal College of Music
- ✓ Rock-School
- ✓ Open University

<i>Subject Area</i>	<i>Course Title</i>	<i>Accrediting Body</i>	<i>Level</i>
Art	Drawing	FETAC	Level 3
	Painting	FETAC	Level 4
Computer Studies			
	Computer Studies	FETAC	Level 2
	Computer Literacy	FETAC	Level 3
	Word Processing	FETAC	Level 3
	Spread-sheets	FETAC	Level 3
	Data base	FETAC	Level 3
	Computer Applications	FETAC	Level 4
	IT Skills	FETAC	Level 4
	Word Processing	FETAC	Level 4
	Spread-sheet Methods	FETAC	Level 4
	Word Processing	FETAC	Level 5
	Text Production	FETAC	Level 5
	Modules 1-6	ECDL	Basic
	Modules 2,3,4	ECDL	Advanced
Soft Skills			
	Personal Effectiveness	FETAC	Level 3
	Personal and Interpersonal Skills	FETAC	Level 3
	Self-Advocacy	FETAC	Level 3
	Personal Care and Presentation	FETAC	Level 3
	Career Preparation	FETAC	Level 3
	Personal Effectiveness	FETAC	Level 4
English			
	Reading	FETAC	Level 2
	Writing	FETAC	Level 2
	Setting Learning Goals	FETAC	Level 2
	Communications	FETAC	Level 3
Maths			
	Quantity and Number	FETAC	Level 2
	Maths	FETAC	Level 3
	Managing Personal Finances	FETAC	Level 3
	Maths	FETAC	Level 4
	Maths	Junior Cert	Foundation
	Maths	Leaving Cert	Foundation
English for Speakers of other languages			
	ESOL	FETAC	Level 3
	ESOL	FETAC	Level 4
Music			
	Sound Engineering	FETAC	Level 5
	Music Theory	ABRSM	Grade 1
	Music Theory	ABRSM	Grade 2
Physical Education			
	Health and Exercise	FETAC	Level 2
	Personal Care	FETAC	Level 2
	Health Related Fitness	FETAC	Level 3

	Health Related Fitness	FETAC	Level 4
Red Cross	Occupational First Aid	FETAC	Level 5
	Cardiac First Response	PHECC	Level 1
	CBHFA	Red Cross	N/A

Note: Courses in red denote new courses offered in 2013 – 2014.

Accreditation Statistics 2013 - 2014

Course Title	Accrediting Body	Level	No of students
Drawing	FETAC	Level 3	6
Computer Studies	FETAC	Level 2	22
Computer Literacy	FETAC	Level 3	8
Word Processing	FETAC	Level 3	15
Spread-sheets	FETAC	Level 3	12
Data base	FETAC	Level 3	2
Word Processing	FETAC	Level 4	6
Spread-sheets	FETAC	Level 4	3
Computer Applications	FETAC	Level 4	2
IT Skills	FETAC	Level 4	3
Word Processing	FETAC	Level 5	3
Text Production	FETAC	Level 5	2
Personal Effectiveness	FETAC	Level 3	35
Personal and Interpersonal Skills	FETAC	Level 3	28
Self-Advocacy	FETAC	Level 3	28
Personal Care and Presentation	FETAC	Level 3	28
Career Preparation	FETAC	Level 3	28
Personal Effectiveness	FETAC	Level 4	28
Reading	FETAC	Level 2	3
Writing	FETAC	Level 2	4
Setting Learning Goals	FETAC	Level 2	7
Quantity and Number	FETAC	Level 2	11
Maths	FETAC	Level 3	10
Maths	Junior Cert	Foundation	2
Managing Personal Finances	FETAC	Level 3	2
ESOL	FETAC	Level 3	9
ESOL	FETAC	Level 4	2
Music Theory	ABRSM	Grade 1	3
Music Theory	ABRSM	Grade 2	2
Health and Exercise	FETAC	Level 2	1
Personal Care	FETAC	Level 2	3
Health Related Fitness	FETAC	Level 3	15

Occupational First Aid	FETAC	Level 5	9
Red Cross	Red Cross	N/A	9

Within the above statistics the following are the total outcomes for FETAC:

Total Number of Students receiving accreditation in 2013 - 2014	Total number of portfolios presented in 2013 -2014	Level	Full awards achieved
97	296	2	2
		3	7
	No of students for State Exams	Junior Cert	2

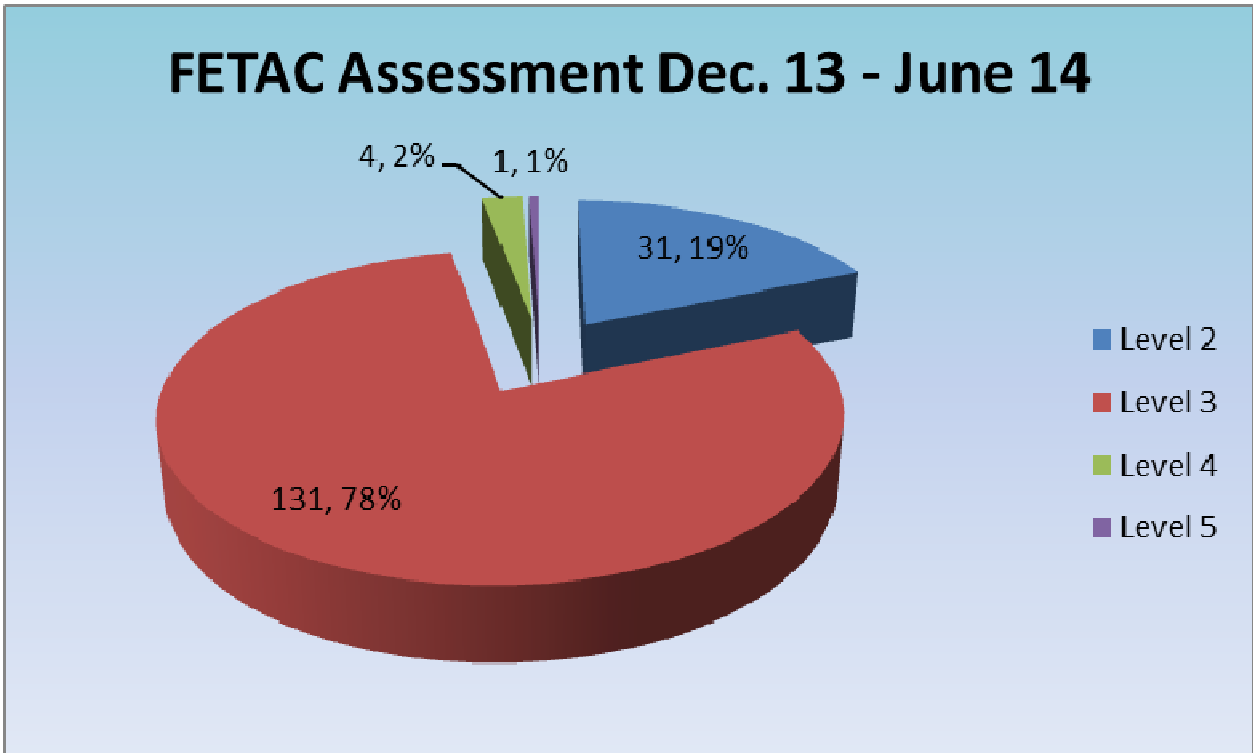


Figure 1- FETAC Assessment December 2013 - June 2014

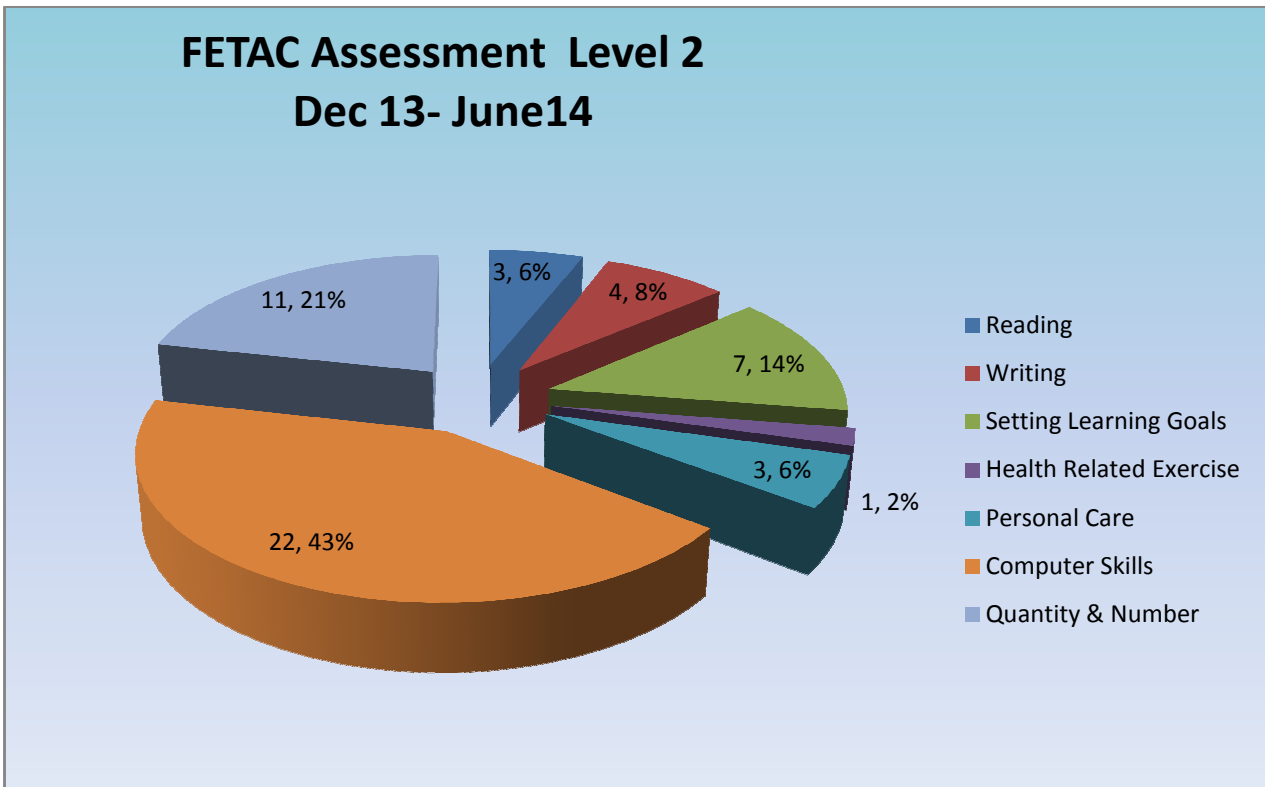
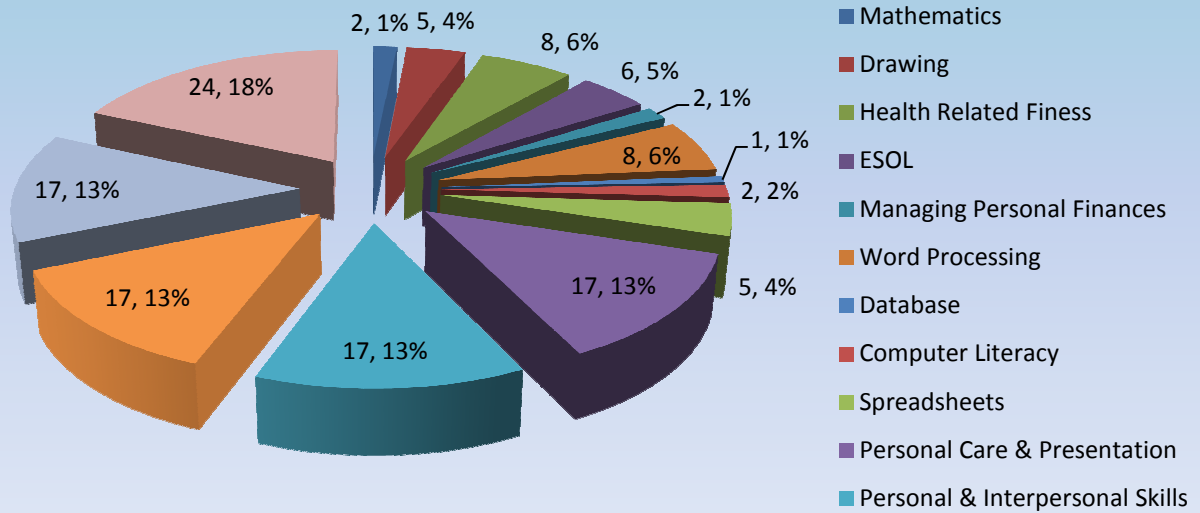


Figure 2- FETAC Assessment Level 2 December 2013 – June 2014

FETAC Assessment Level 3 Dec 13 - June 14



FETAC Assessment Level 4 & Level 5 Dec. 13 - June 14

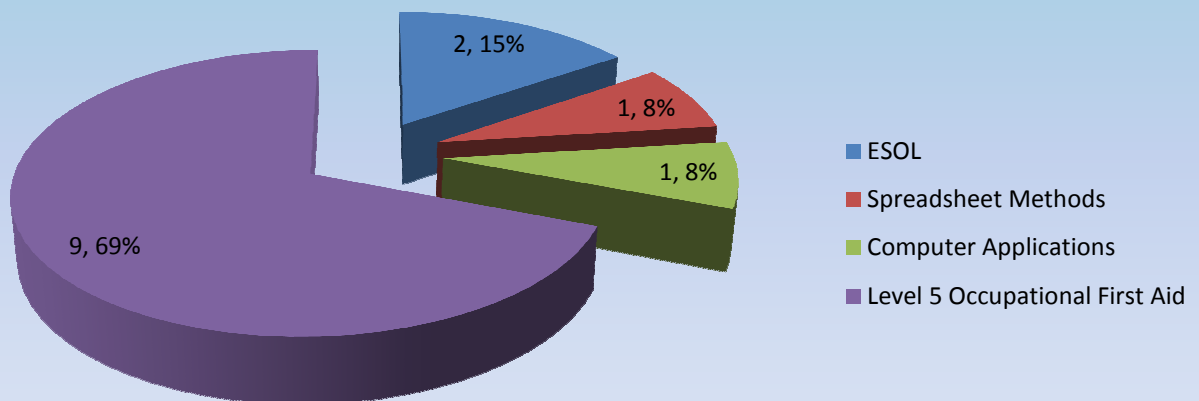


Figure 4 - FETAC Assessment Level 4 & Level 5 December 2013 - June 2014

Literacy and Numeracy Provision:

All students who present for education in the education unit in Cloverhill undergo a literacy and numeracy assessment. (Students who present with a junior cert or leaving cert do not undergo the prison based assessment).

Literacy and Numeracy Assessment Results for 2013 -2014

No of students assessed	180
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<i>Level</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Writing</i>	<i>Numeracy</i>
Pre – Level 1	1	3	2
Level 1	4	12	9
Level 2	21	24	34
Level 3	154	132	132

ESOL Provision:

All ESOL students who present for English language tuition undergo a language assessment

No of students assessed	74
Numbers at Pre-Beginner Level 0	29
Numbers at Beginner Level 1	34
Numbers at Beginner Level 2	11

All levels are allocated three one hour sessions of language tuition per week.

Progression:

The majority of students operate at Level 3 status and are not in the education unit long enough to complete a full Level 3 programme.

As Cloverhill is a remand prison the majority of prisoners are progressing onto education units in other prisons. If they sign on in another education unit within the prison system their record of work is forwarded to that unit from Cloverhill.

Prisoners who are doing sentences and are released from Cloverhill are supported with regard to further education needs by the Education Service to Prisons Guidance service where possible. If that is not possible then the Head Teacher processes any further education applications.

In 2012 – 2013 **3** applications for admission to further education have been processed from the education unit to the following colleges

- ✓ CrumlinCollege
- ✓ LibertiesCollege
- ✓ Wexford Return to Learning Programme

A further **3** referrals have been made to adult education centres for prisoners wishing to return to education in

- ✓ ColaisteDhulaigh
- ✓ Larkin College.

Long term remands and sentenced prisoners can progress from Level 3 to Level 4 in the following subject areas.

- ✓ IT
- ✓ Art
- ✓ Health Related Fitness
- ✓ Communications
- ✓ Maths
- ✓ ESOL

Evaluation:

Evaluation is carried out through the following:

1. Evaluation of course forms
2. Ongoing 1:1 with students
3. Subject evaluation by student
4. Student evaluation morning x 2 per academic year
5. Unit evaluation day

Evaluation through No's 4 and 5 above did not take place this academic year due to problems with staff attendance at these meetings due to the constraints of the CrokePark arrangement.

This is a frustrating issue and one which hopefully can be addressed in the next academic year. As Cloverhill is primarily staffed by pro-rata contracted teachers very few teachers are available for end of year meetings as they have their contracted CrokePark hours completed at this stage. Therefore evaluation was not carried out to the usual standard this year. The Head Teacher intends to bring this to the attention of the co-ordinator before the CrokePark schedule is agreed for the next academic year and work out a strategy by which as many staff as possible are available for evaluation days.

Conclusion:

There were many highlights again this year. However there is a frustration in the unit that to make any further progress increased teaching resources are required. The head teacher has made several attempts to garner increased resources but with no success. Therefore a full award at Level 4 will be withdrawn from the timetable and development to the Junior Cert and Leaving Cert programmes will not occur in 2014 -2015.

Two senior staff (P.E. and English/Literacy) are taking career breaks so development work in both these areas will be difficult as it will take time for their replacements to settle in.

Therefore development will be difficult in some areas of the plan. The following are the areas which will be given priority.

➤ **Access:**

- ✓ To achieve access in the education unit for protection prisoners

➤ **Evaluation:**

- ✓ To ensure that the student evaluation days and the unit evaluation day are held.

Note:

No priorities can be identified for curriculum and accreditation without improved resources.



Cloverhill Prison
Work & Training Report
2014

Introduction

2014 proved a challenging year for all within work & training in Cloverhill Prison. With staffing levels reduced and financial constraints in place across the whole of the prison estate work & training was an easy target for cuts.

During 2014, 2 new WTO's were placed in Cloverhill, 1 in environment and 1 in soft skills.

The uptake by prisoners for most workshops has been up year on year despite our average number of committals being down.

At present there is no permanent Industrial Manager in place in Cloverhill. An officer has been appointed but cannot be released from his present duties. As a result the role has been dissected among various staff. It is hoped that the appointed officer can be released to take up this post in the near future.

The following is a brief report on each work & training area:

Main Kitchen:

Once again the kitchen continues to set high standards. Unfortunately due to budgetary constraints there have been issues with external auditors in relation to structural issues and as a result the kitchen has failed several audits on structural matters. It is aimed to have these issues resolved as soon as possible. The kitchen also maintained high cleaning standards with all swabbing and food samples meeting the set standards. The kitchen in Cloverhill is a very busy workshop with meals for over 400 prisoners cooked 3 times a day, as well as lunches for roughly 100 prisoners attending Cloverhill Court on a daily basis.

Due to the high turnover of workers no recognized training for prisoners takes place, but prisoners do receive an in house 2 week training course.

Staff Mess:

This is the second year of operation of the staff mess by WTO's and has proved to be a great success with staff. The mess provides hot/ cold breakfasts, a light lunch and a hot dinner seven days a week. The mess has also failed several audits due to structural issues which it is hoped will be addressed early in 2015.

Gymnasiums:

There are 3 gymnasiums within Cloverhill with 2 open at any one time. The main LDU gym is the larger of the gyms and caters for the main population of the prison with the C & E division gyms catering more for

the prisoners on protection.

A large number of the gym equipment is in need of a total replacement.

Industrial Cleaning:

Industrial Cleaning continues to be an ever evolving role for the staff concerned. 2014 eventually saw the implantation of a certified training course for prisoners and as a result over 150 certs have been issued to prisoners by city & guilds. As a result of this qualification several prisoners have gone on to gain employment externally as a result. It is planned to trial new chemicals in Cloverhill at start of 2015 which will result in a large saving for IPS. There is still on going issues of redeploying of the staff in this area despite the health and safety concerns attached to there roles.

Computers:

The computer workshop is up and running with 2 W.T.O's supervising /training 7 days per week where possible. This provides a further outlet for prisoners, in particular those who are unable to attend the school for various reasons.

Laundry:

The laundry in Cloverhill still lacks the equipment to deal with the demand it faces. Even though a percentage of laundry is sent to Wheatfield we still deal with a large volume of items. A business case has been submitted in relation to a back to back roster several times and despite any issues around LSA, we believe this issue should be reviewed. Several prisoners have undertaken the guild of Launderers course under the supervision of the W.T.O in charge of the laundry.

Environment:

This post was filled in March of 2014 and the WTO concerned has proven an excellent addition to the prison. The main issue for this post is finding suitable workers.

Soft Skills:

This post was filled in early 2014 but despite the appointment of a WTO in this area the officer remains untrained and materials have only recently been purchased. There is a large amount of equipment sitting unused. In the interim the officer has being supervising paint parties.

It is hoped that in 2015 that all workshops within Cloverhill will continue to operate at maximum capacity thus continuing the trend of increased numbers attending workshops.

Conclusion

We would like to thank and acknowledge the contribution of all the different agencies who give their time and services on a daily/weekly basis to the benefit of the prison service. The committee has exercised its duties diligently and is committed to exercising them in full in 2015.

We also would like to thank Governors Ronan Maher, Fergus Woods and Chris McCormack, Governor's Secretary and all the staff for their help and co-operation during the year.

The Visiting Committee would again like to thank the Minister for Justice & Equality and the Director General of the Irish Prison Service (IPS). The Visiting Committee look forward to a continued professional and healthy working relationship in 2015.

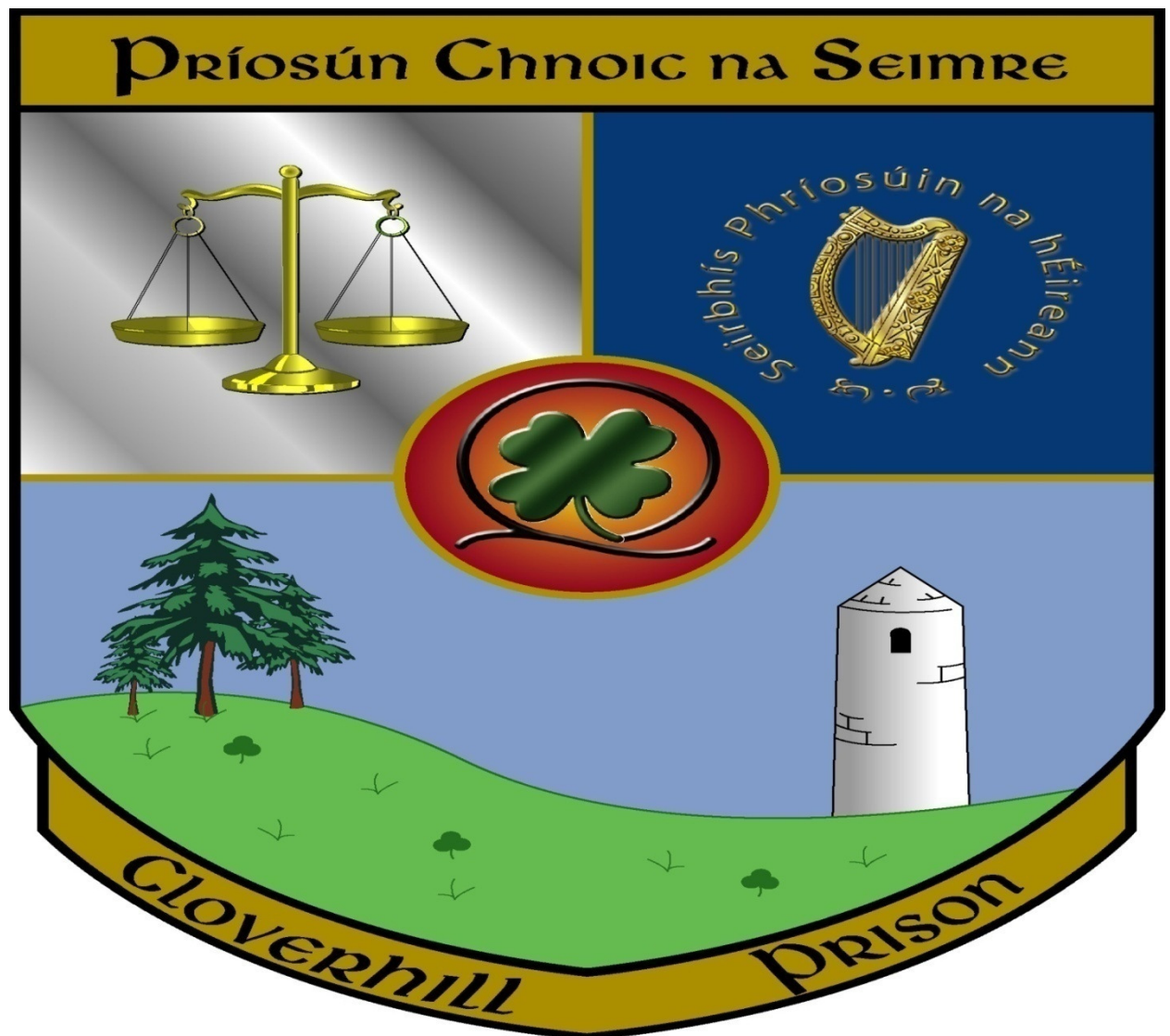
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Réamhrá

Is príosún meánslándála dúnta d'fhir fásta é Príosún Chnoc na Seimre a fheastalaíonn go príomha ar phríosúnaigh a bhíonn athchurtha ó cheantar Laighean. Tá 433 phríosúnach in ann dul isteach ann.

Ba mhaith leis an gCoiste Cuairte buíochas a ghabháil leis an Aire Dlí agus Cirt agus Comhionannais & Cosanta, le hArd-Stiúrthóir Sheirbhís Phríosúin na hÉireann (IPS) na Gobharnóirí i gCnoc na Seimre agus an fhoireann go léir as na feabhsúcháin leanúnacha i bPríosún Chnoc na Seimre. Bhí caidreamh maith againn le lucht bainistíochta an phríosúin i rith na bliana. Tugann na cruinnithe míosúla a bhíonn againn go leanúnach deis don Choiste Cuairte ábhair a thagann faoinár mbráid a phlé. Nuair a ardaítear aon ábhar inní leis na Gobharnóirí tugann siad cúnaimh chun réiteach a fháil ar aon cheistanna a d'fhéadfaí a chur agus déantar é sin le gairmiúlacht agus le dícheall cuí.

Tá an Coiste Cuairte den tuairim go bhfuil feabhas ar an bpríosún taobh istigh agus ar dhearcadh foriomlán na bpríosúnach toisc go bhfuil cóiríocht fheabhsaithe ann ó dheireadh na bliana 2014.

Ba mhaith linn an deis seo a thapú chun buíochas a ghabháil leis na rannóga go léir laistigh de Phríosún Chnoc na Seimre, as an ról lárnach a bhíonn acu ag cuidiú le réachtáil réidh an phríosúin. Táthar dóchasach go n-athróidh an obair chrua leanúnach sin an dearcadh atá ag príosúnaigh sa phríosún agus go gcuideoidh sé leo a saol lasmuigh den phríosún a fheabhsú, agus daoine fásta freagracha a dhéanamh díobh ar mhaithe leis an bpobal agus lena dteaghlaigh féin.

I rith na bliana fuair an Coiste Cuairte an deis cuairt a thabhairt ar Phríosún Pháirc na Cruithneachta agus ar an Ionad Dóchas. Chuir an lucht bainistíochta agus an fhoireann fáilte chroíuil romhainn agus iad an-oibleagáideach. Bhaineamar an-tairbhe as na turais chun cleachtais agus oibríochtaí a fheiceáil ag tarlú i bpríosúin eile.

Le linn na bliana thug an tArd-Stiúrthóir agus oifigigh phríosúin eile as Tuaisceart Éireann cuairt ar Champas Iarthar Bhaile Átha Cliath. Thug siad faoi deara an deachaidreamh idir na Gobharnóirí agus na príosúnaigh.

I rith na bliana, ar an drochuair ní raibh an Coiste Cuairte in ann bualadh le Cigire na bPríosún, ach tá cuireadh faighte aige áfach agus tá súil againn bualadh leis an gCigire sna míonna seo amach romhainn in 2015.

An Coiste

Buaileann an Coiste le chéile ar an dara Déardaoin de gach mí. Bhí ceathrar comhaltaí ar an gcoiste i gcónaí i rith 2014. D'fhreastail a lán daoine ar na cruinnithe go léir. Ar bhonn uainchláir tugann beirt chomhaltaí den choiste cuairt gan choinne gach mí ar an bpríosún lena chinntiú go leantar ag rith an phríosúin ar bhealach sábháilte, daonna agus éifeachtúil. I rith na gcuairteanna míosúla sin rinne na comhaltaí cinnte gur thug siad turais chuimsitheacha ar gach limistéar den phríosún. Leanfaimid fós lenár nós labhairt le foireann inmheánach agus sheachtrach atá ag obair sna réimsí sin ar ar tháingamar trasna, agus aon phríosúnaigh a bhí in aice láimhe. D'aontaíomar agus leagamar amach clár oibre ag tús na bliana de shaincheisteanna ar theastaigh uainn monatóireacht, agus iniúchadh a dhéanamh orthu. Leagamar síos cuspóir dúinn féin chun bualadh le foireann seirbhíse ghairmiúil nach bhfuil sa phríosún, agus foireann inmheánach a oibríonn i réimsí sonracha sa phríosún chun tuiscint níos fearr a fháil ar an ngá smaoineamh ar shlándáil, agus ar shaincheisteanna forchultúrtha príosúin i gcomhthéacs an phríosúin.

Cuairteanna ar phríosúnaigh

Leanaimid mar choiste ag bualadh le líon mór príosúnach i rith na bliana. Rinne go leor príosúnach iarratas chun an coiste cuairte a fheiceáil in 2014, agus d'iarr roinnt de na príosúnaigh cuairt níos mó ná 1 uair amháin. Bhí roinnt príosúnach freisin a d'iarr go bhfeicfidís an VC i rith 2014 agus sin príosúnaigh a scaoileadh amach, a fuair aistriú, a bhí os comhair na cúirte, nó ar diúltaíodh dá n-iarratas. Freastalaíonn Príosún Chnoc na Seimre ar phríosúnaigh athchurtha den chuid is mó, agus dá bhrí sin is minic go mbíonn daonra an phríosúin cineál neamhbhuan ó thaobh comhdhéanaimh de. Mar thoradh air sin athraítear an fhoireann thart go laethúil, agus scaoiltear amach daonra an phríosúin, agus uaireanta ní chuirtear i bpríosún arís iad. D'fhonn a chinntiú go bhfeicimid an oiread príosúnaigh agus is féidir nuair a thugaimid cuairt, déanaimid iarracht a bheith ar fáil go héasca dóibh, ionas nach gcuirfeadh mórán ama amú ó dhéanann na príosúnaigh iarratas go dtí go bhfeictear iad i ndáiríre. Ar na laethanta cruinnithe gach mí rinneadh éascaíocht d'aon phríosúnach a bhí ag iarraidh muid a fheiceáil trí bheirt chomhaltaí a bhuail leis roimh an gcruinniú. I bPríosún Chnoc na Seimre téann comhaltaí an choiste síos go dtí rannóg na bpríosúnach chun iad a fheiceáil ina dtimpeallacht féin.

Táimid sásta go ndéanann an Gobharnóir a mhachnamh ar uirill a rinneamar thar ceann na bpríosúnach, agus nuair is féidir, agus nuair is indéanta, tugann bainistíocht an phríosúin aghaidh orthu.

Plódú

Bhí sé seo ina ábhar mór imní i gcónaí in 2014. Nuair a mhéadaíonn daonra an phríosúin go dtí os cionn 400 príosúnach cruthaítear deacrachtaí oibríochta agus bíonn sé deacair cúrsaí a bhainistiú. Dá bharr sin uaireanta bíonn ar phríosúnaigh codladh ar na hurláir, agus bíonn brú ar na seirbhísí a bhíonn á gcur ar fáil ag foireann an phríosúin. Arís i mbliana fuaireamar gearáin ó phríosúnaigh gur cuireadh cimithe isteach ina gcillín i rith na hoíche ar thocht, rud a chruthaíonn

teannas, agus dá bharr sin cuirtear isteach ar gach príosúnach sa chillín i rith na hoíche. Maolaíodh an fhadhb de bheagán i dtreo dheireadh na bliana nuair a aistríodh príosúnaigh athchurtha faoi chosaint gnéis chuig Príosún Lár na Tíre agus aistríodh príosúnaigh a raibh pianbhreith gearrtha orthu chuig Príosún na Cruithneachta.

I dtreo dheireadh na bliana aistríodh tuilleadh foirne chuig Príosún Chnoc na Seimre agus chuidigh sé sin freisin le fadhbanna foirne. Tharraingiomar aird roimhe seo ar an tuairim a bhí againn go bhfuil nasc soiléir idir plódú, agus teannais i bpríosúin, gan trácht ar an imní a bhíonn ar an bhfoireann, agus ar na príosúnaigh maidir le sláinte agus sábháilteacht. Táimid fós docht daingean maidir leis an tuairim sin. Measaimid go gcuireann sé ualach mór millteach ar na hoifigigh, gan trácht ar ndóigh ar an tionchar a bhíonn aige ar chúrsaí slándála. Is áit faoi leith é Príosún Chnoc na Seimre agus toisc go bhfuil stádas athchurtha aige beidh sruth leanúnach príosúnach ag dul tríd an bpríosún i gcónaí. Spreagaimid Seirbhís Phríosúin na hÉireann a bheith níos réamhghníomhaí maidir leis an gcaoi a láimhseálann siad an chontúirt fhéideartha seo d'fhonn a bheith níos éifeachtaí ag teacht ar réiteach.

Díbirt

Leantar ag cur cóiríochta ar fáil do dhaoine díbeartha thar oíche nó díreach ar feadh cúpla uair an chloig. Arís táimid den tuairim gur cheart go mbeadh na príosúnaigh sin ag dul chuig ionad coinneála slán, ní chuig príosún Chnoc na Seimre. Níor chóir go mbeadh gá don phríosún a bheith ag déileáil le fadhbanna a bhaineann go sonrach le cúrsaí inimirce. Ardaíodh an cheist roimhe seo cibé arb é an príosún an áit is oiriúnaí chun iad a choinneáil. Ní mór don aire athbhreithniú iomlán a dhéanamh ar an gcás. Go minic tarlaíonn sé go ndéantar príosúnaigh a dhíbirt toisc nach mbíonn aon fháil ag go leor acu ar chomhairle dlí. D'ardaigh an CPT le linn a gcuairte freisin i rith na bliana imní maidir leis an nós sin.

Náisiúnaigh Choigríche

Leanann Príosún Chnoc na Seimre ag freastal ar níos mó náisiúnach coigríche a bhfuil saincheistanna inimirce acu ná aon phríosún eile sa tír. Is mian leis an gcoiste na tuairimí a rinne sé i rith na mblianta a lua arís, iarraidimid ar an aire athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar an réimse cumarsáide a bhfuil fadhb mhór leis anois. Cruthaíonn an bac teanga fadhbanna nach mór dul i ngleic leo. D'aithin an coiste é seo roimhe seo mar réimse inar féidir forbairt a dhéanamh ar ról an Oifigigh Phríosúin. Deirtear gur ceann de na bealaí a bhféadfaí aghaidh a thabhairt air seo ná trí oifigigh phríosúin ar fónamh a earcú nó oiliúint as an nua a chur orthu i scileanna teanga. Bheadh ról acu mar ateangairí príosúin, agus bhainfí leas astu chun déileáil le príosúnaigh cimithe, agus de réir mar a theastóidís nuair a bheadh gá le hateangaire.

Bulaíocht agus ciníochas

Níor tugadh aon tuairisc dúinn maidir le haon bhulaíocht nó ciníochas i rith na bliana. I mí an Mhárta 2014 rinneadh athchóiriú ar nósanna imeachta Gearán na bPríosúnach agus is féidir gach saincheist maidir le bulaíocht nó ciníochas a imscrúdú go cuí. Bhí imscrúduithe maidir le gearáin i gcatagóir A ar siúl maidir leis na saincheistanna sin agus níor seasadh le haon cheann.

Príosúnaigh a Fuair Bás sa Phríosún

Ar an drochuair fuair príosúnach amháin bás (MS) in 2014 i bpríosún Chnoc na Seimre, aistríodh a chorp ar ais go dtí a theaghlach sa Pholainn. D'fhreastail Séiplíneach Chnoc na Seimre an tSiúr Margaret O'Donovan ar an tsochraid thar

ceann an Ghobharnóra agus na foirne. Ní féidir linn níos mó a rá toisc go bhfuil an t-ábhar fós á imscrúdú. Déanaimid comhbhrón leis an teaghlach.

Bearta Slándála - Drugaí.

Arís táimid ag iarraidh aird a tharraingt ar an díomá atá orainn nach n-úsáidtear an madra bolaíochta drugaí éighníomhach níos mó i rith na seachtaine i gcomhar leis na nósanna imeachta cuardaigh. Ní fhacamar aon mhadraí drugaí riamh le linn ár gcuartha ar an bpríosún.

Tarraingíodh aird sna meáin le gairid ar an bhfadhb atá le drugaí a bheith á gcaitheamh thar bhallaí an phríosúin, agus á dtabhairt do phríosúnaigh le linn cuairteanna, ardaíodh é sin mar gheall ar bheirt a bhí faoi choimeád a fuair bás le déanaí sa phríosún. Bhain an cás le drugaí. Feidhmíonn Cnoc na Seimre cuairteanna scagtha, rud a chuireann deireadh le drugaí a bheith á dtabhairt amach le linn cuairteanna, mar sin féin táthar an-ímníoch fós faoi dhrugaí a bheith á gcaitheamh isteach thar an mballa ó áiteanna lasmuigh. Éiríonn le príosúnaigh roinnt de na drugaí a fháil agus ansin cruthaítear fadhbanna slándála agus oibríochta laistigh den phríosún.

Príosúnaigh faoi Chosaint

Tá méadú mór i gcónaí ar líon na bpríosúnach a bhíonn ag iarraidh cosaint ar a chimiú chuig príosún. D'fhéadfadh céatadán suntasach de dhaonra an phríosúin a bheith i gceist leis sin ar aon lá. Cuireann sé sin brú ollmhór i gcónaí ar acmhainní an phríosúin, agus bíonn deacrachtaí lóistíochta ann dá bharr. Caitear gach duine de na príosúnaigh sin a scaradh ó na chéile, agus is féidir ansin an dream sin a scartar ó na chéile a dheighilt tuilleadh. Dá bharr sin cruthaítear réimeas príosúin shrianta, lena n-áirítear rochtain theoranta ar oideachas.

Is léiriú den chultúr buíonta sa tsochaí an fás thar cuimse atá tagtha ar chosaint. Mar a thugamar faoi deara roimhe seo ní stopann an t-achrann a chruthaíonn buíonta seachtracha ag geata an phríosúin nuair a chuirtear daoine isteach i bpríosún.

Cathaoir BOSS

Tá an Córas Slándála Oirifíse Coirp in úsáid i gcónaí. Tá an chathaoir deartha chun rudaí a shlogtar go hinmheánach a bhrath. Go dtí seo mar thoradh air tá laghdú 39% tagtha ar líon na bhfón póca atá tagtha isteach sa phríosún. Tá léiriú de feicthe ag an gcoiste, agus labhair siad leis an bhfoireann a bhain úsáid as i bhfáiltiú. Measaimid go mbeidh tionchar ollmhór aige i gcónaí ar líon na bhfón a thugtar isteach i bpríosúin i ngan fhios, agus gearrfaidh sé siar ar an imeaglú a dhéantar ar phríosúnaigh ag cur iallach orthu rudaí éagsúla a thabhairt isteach, toisc gur mó seans atá ann go mbéarfai orthu.

Naisc Físe

Níl mórán úsáide á baint as seo go fóill. Mar gheall air sin shocraigh an Gobharnóir i gCnoc na Seimre deireadh a chur le feidhmiú na saoráide sin. Cúpla mí ina dhiaidh sin ar iarratas ón tSeirbhís Chúirteanna, cuireadh cruinniú ar bun i gCnoc na Seimre, agus thug an Breitheamh agus an tSeirbhís Chúirteanna gealltanais ag an gcruinniú sin ach go dtí seo níor seasadh leis na gealltanais sin. Is oth linn a rá nach bhfuil aon úsáid á baint as an acmhainn luachmhar sin.

Leabharlann

Is saoráid den scoth é seo atá ar fáil sa phríosún, agus nuair a bhíonn sí oscailte úsáideann cion mór de dhaonra an phríosúin í. I gCnoc na Seimre déantar iarracht an leabharlann a oscailt ar feadh ceithre lá gach seachtain mar gheall ar an bhfoireann bhreise a athlonnaíodh ó Phríosún Mhuinseo rud a mhaolaigh easnaimh foirne. Tá triúr oifigeach príosúin sannta chun oibre sa leabharlann ar feadh gach tréimhse. Tugann sé sin deis do bhreis ciontóirí an leabharlann a úsáid. Tugtar am do gach rannán i gCnoc na Seimre cuairt a thabhairt ar an leabharlann. Bíonn na riachtanais eolais chéanna ag príosúnaigh is a bhíonn ag an bpobal, ach ar an drochuair bíonn scileanna oideachais níos ísle ag líon níos mó príosúnach, bíonn deacrachtaí foghlama ag cuid mhaith díobh agus is minic a bhíonn cúnamh ag teastáil uathu chun eolas a lorg. Cuireann leabharlann an phríosúin tuilleadh tábhachta i réimsí ábharthachta do dhaonra an phríosúin, .i. staidéar ar an mbíobla i gcreidimh éagsúla, cúrsaí dlí agus teangacha iasachta. Cruthaítear fadhbanna uaireanta nuair a chuirtear seirbhísí leabharlainne ar fáil do phríosúnaigh faoi chosaint agus bíonn a ndóthain le déanamh ag an bhfoireann chun déileáil leis sin, bíonn tacaíocht oibríochta iomlán ag teastáil sna cásanna sin.

Dúshlán eile don leabharlann is ea an easpa teicneolaíochta nua-aimseartha atá ag athrú, agus atá in ann caighdeán ard oideachais a sholáthar agus tuiscint níos fearr ar fhoghlaim príosúnach a bhféadfadh laigí a bheith ag dul dóibh cosúil le bheith bodhar agus deacrachtaí fisiceacha eile. Ar an drochuair níl príosúnaigh a bhfuil deacrachtaí cognaíochta acu in ann leas a bhaint as seirbhísí na leabharlainne toisc nach bhfuil na hacmhainní sin ar fáil ann. Ba mhaith leis an gCoiste Cuairte an deis a thapú chun iarraidh ar Sheirbhís Phríosúin na hÉireann athbhreithniú a dhéanamh ar na seirbhísí atá ar fáil faoi láthair sa leabharlann chun freastal ar phríosúnaigh atá faoi mhíchumas. Creidimid go bhfeabhsódh sé cáilíocht saoil chuid mhaith de na príosúnaigh, agus d'fhéadfadh sé cabhrú chun na scileanna a fhoghlaim a theastaíonn chun maireachtáil lasmuigh den phríosún sa phobal.

Méadaíodh stoc na leabharlainne le linn na bliana, tá leabhair i bPolainnis, Sínis, Rúisis, Liotuáinis, Rómáinis, Spáinnis, agus Seicis i measc an stoic sin. Is léiriú é sin ar éagsúlacht dhaonra an phríosúin. Nuair a léann siad leabhair ina dteanga féin briseann sé suas an t-am do náisiúnaigh choigríche, agus ar ndóigh díríonn sé a n-intinn ar rud éigin eile. Úsáideann go leor de na príosúnaigh an leabharlann chun páipéir an lae a léamh, chun éisteacht le ceol agus na ríomhairí a úsáid.

Giomnásiamáí

Tá trealamh maith i nGiomnásiamáí an phríosúin. Cuireann sé Corpoideachas, Caitheamh Aimsire, Spórt, agus gníomhaíocht fhisiceach a theastaíonn go géar ar fáil. Is bealach foghlama é spórt do chuid mhaith príosúnach. Cuidíonn sé freisin le príosúnaigh labhairt le príosúnaigh agus le comhghleacaithe eile, agus cuidíonn sé leo slí mhaireachtála fholláin a bheith acu. Tá an Giomnásiam ar fáil do na príosúnaigh go léir, agus tugann sé deis do phríosúnaigh oibriú i dtimpeallacht giomnásiam chun a bheith aclaí, a bheith rannpháirteach i ndeiseanna oibre sa phríosún, agus sláinte fhisiceach a choinneáil agus meabhairshláinte go minic freisin agus iad faoi choimeád. Tá Múinteoirí Corpoideachais ann, agus roinnt oifigeach príosúin a bhfuil oiliúint NECF acu a oibríonn le chéile mar mheitheal chun cláir ghairmiúla, agus cláir den scoth a sholáthar. Lean siad orthu ag cur roinnt príosúnach faoi oiliúint i gcaighdeán aclaíochta FETAC. D'fháilteodh an Coiste Cuairte roimh thogra do phríosúnaigh ina mbeidís níos rannpháirtí i dtuilleadh imeachtaí spóirt faoin spéir d'fhonn idirghníomhaíocht agus dea-chaidreamh a spreagadh idir príosúnaigh agus tuiscint a fháil ar spórt i measc foirne. Tuigimid nach bhfuil go leor spáis i gCnoc na Seimre agus is iomaí cineál príosúnach ann, ach chuirfeadh forbairt páirc uile-aimsire uair éigin amach anseo feabhas mór ar chúrsaí.

An Chistin

Arís eile leanadh ag cur ardchaighdeán seirbhíse ar fáil sa chistin, agus ba léir é sin sna marcanna méadaithe a fuair an chistin ó na hiniúcháirí seachtracha. Is áit an-ghnóthach í an chistin i gCnoc na Seimre agus déantar béilí d'os cionn 400 príosúnach 3 huair sa lá, chomh maith le lón le haghaidh thart ar 100 príosúnach a fhreastalaíonn ar Chúirt Chnoc na Seimre go laethúil. Faoi láthair tá 23 phríosúnach ag obair sa chistin. (16 sa phríomhchistin agus 7 i gceaintín na foirne). Oibríonn na príosúnaigh sin leis na WTOanna, agus faigheann siad oideachas agus oiliúint i gcúrsaí lónadóireachta agus i sláinte agus sábháilteacht, agus má éiríonn leo cúrsaí a chur i gcrích is féidir leo gradaim nó teastais aitheanta a bhaint amach.

Thógamar samplaí den bhia in éineacht leis na Gobharnóirí agus leis an bhfoireann chléireachais, agus bhíomar an-tógtha le caighdeán arda agus le gairmiúlacht na foirne, agus tréaslaímid leis an bhfoireann maidir le caighdeán an bhia. Ba cheart tacaíocht leanúnach a thabhairt ionas go mbeifear in ann bogadh ar aghaidh.

ISM (Bainistíocht Pianbhreithe Comhtháite)

Tá an córas Bainistíochta Pianbhreithe Comhtháite (ISM) ann lena chinntiú go ndéantar idirghníomhaíochtaí le príosúnaigh a chomhordú bunaithe ar phleananna pianbhreithe comhaontaithe.

Mar chuid de ISM, bíonn príosúnaigh freagrach go pearsanta as a gcuid forbartha féin trí rannpháirtíocht níos gníomhaí le seirbhísí sna príosúin. Tá measúnú tosaigh i gceist le ISM, leagan síos spriocanna agus athbhreithniú tréimhsiúil chun dul chun cinn a thomhas.

Faoi ISM, déanann Comhordaitheoir ISM measúnú ar phríosúnach atá cimithe as an nua a bhfuil pianbhreith bliana nó níos mó gearrtha air nó uirthi. Dréachtaítear ansin plean pearsanta a bheidh le comhlánú ag an bpríosúnach i rith a gcuid ama sa phríosún. Déantar athbhreithniú rialta ar an bplean idir an Comhordaitheoir ISM agus an príosúnach, agus bíonn tuairiscí scríofa ag teacht isteach ag an am céanna ó na seirbhísí agus gníomhaireachtaí ábhartha.

Sula scaoiltear amach iad, buaileann an Comhordaitheoir ISM leis an bpríosúnach chun fáil amach cé na riachtanais a bheidh aige nó aici ar a scaoileadh amach agus cuirtear plean i bhfeidhm chun cabhrú lena chomhtháthú isteach sa phobal arís.

Cúram Sláinte

Tá cumhdach Altranais 24 uair an chloig i bpríosún Chnoc na Seimre agus cumhdach Dochtúra Teaghlaigh 7 lá agus seirbhísí Dochtúra Teaghlaigh ar glao-dhualgas atá mar bhunú ag Cúram Sláinte Príomhúil. Déantar Measúnú Altranais ar gach cimid chuig Cnoc na Seimre nuair a chimítear iad agus feiceann an Dochtúir Teaghlaigh iad lá arna mhárach. Is féidir le príosúnaigh iarratas a dhéanamh an Dochtúir Teaghlaigh a fheiceáil ar 5 lá in aghaidh na seachtaine. Bíonn na clinicí seo a leanas ar fáil freisin mar aon le cúram Sláinte Príomhúil-

Clinic Meataidín: Laethúil agus faigheann 110 príosúnach ar an meán meataidín. Tugann an fhoireann Altranais amach é.

Clinicí Fiaclóireachta: Bíonn 3 chlinic maidine in aghaidh na seachtaine, Dé Luain, Dé Céadaoin agus Dé hAoine a dhéanann an fhoireann fiaclóireachta ó Ospidéal Fiaclóireachta Bhaile Átha Cliath. Feictear 5 phríosúnach ar an meán in aghaidh an chlinic.

Clinicí Síciatracha: Tá Foireann Síciatrach iomlán ann ina bhfuil 1 Síciatraí Comhairleach, 2 Chláraitheoir agus 2 Altra Síciatracha Pobail Dí-Eolaíochta ón CMH a fheastalaíonn ar 5 lá na seachtaine. Bíonn na clinicí ar siúl ar maidin agus tráthnóna ag brath ar an ngá atá leo. Déanann an fhoireann seo scéim atreoraithe cúirte freisin ina n-aithnítear príosúnaigh nach bhfuil ag aireachtáil go maith agus aimsítear áiteanna cóireála dóibh in Ospidéal Síciatrachta Pobail. Tabharfar chuig na háiteanna sin iad, le comhaontú na gCúirteanna i gcomhair cóireála.

Clinicí Andúile: Bíonn 3 chlinic iarnóin in aghaidh na seachtaine, Dé Luain, Dé Céadaoin agus Dé hAoine. Cuireann Síciatríche Andúile ón Lárionad Náisiúnta Cóireála Drugaí, Cúirt na Tríonóide, an tseirbhís sin ar fáil. Is minic go bhfeictear 10 príosúnach ar an meán in aghaidh an chlinic.

Clinic GGT agus VEID: Bíonn sé sin ar siúl gach coicís agus bíonn Comhairleach a bhíonn ag plé le galair ionfhabhtaithe ó Ospidéal San Séamas agus Oifigeach Altranais ó Chnoc na Seimre ina bhun.

Clinic Fleibeatóime: Déanann foireann Altranais Chnoc na Seimre é sin de réir mar is gá

Clinic Cóirithe: Déanann foireann Altranais Chnoc na Seimre é sin gach lá

Clinicí ECG: Déanann foireann Altranais Chnoc na Seimre é sin de réir mar is gá

Altraí a ordaíonn cógais: Tá 2 Altra i gCnoc na Seimre faoi láthair atá oilte agus cáilithe mar Altraí Ordaithe Cógas. Tugann sé sin deis dóibh cógas a mheas agus a ordú do phríosúnaigh gan call dóibh an Dochtúir a fheiceáil. Tá sé sin an-áisiúil go háirithe nuair nach mbíonn Dochtúirí Teaghlaigh ar dualgas m.sh. Dualgas Oíche.

Ar an iomlán, tá seirbhís Chúram Sláinte mhaith agus dea-bhainistithe i gCnoc na Seimre. Ar an drochuair, ach an oiread le cuid mhaith réimsí eile sa phríosún bhí tionchar ag athlonnú foirne faoi línte tascanna laghdaitheacha ar an tseirbhís Chúram sláinte. Chiallaigh sé sin gurbh éigean tacaíocht oifigigh a tharraingt siar ó chlinicí chun freastal ar réimsí eile. Sa todhchaí de réir mar a fheabhsaíonn an geilleagar táthar dóchasach go rachfar i ngleic leis an easnamh foirne sin. Mar fhocal scoir fuair Oifigeach Altranais amháin bonn fiúntais sheirbhís Phríosúin na hÉireann in 2014 as roinnt príosúnach a thabhairt slán ón mbás rud a léiríonn na caighdeáin chúraim a bhaintear amach.

Cros Dhearg na hÉireann & Scéim na nÉisteoirí

Tá clár na Croise Deirge sa phríosún ar an bhfód i gCnoc na Seimre ó 2010 i leith. Bíonn an clár ar bun faoi chomhpháirtíocht idir Cros Dhearg na hÉireann (IRC), Seirbhís Phríosúin na hÉireann (IPS) agus Boird Oideachais & Oiliúna na hÉireann (ETBI), agus níos tábhachtaí fós, na príosúnaigh atá oilte le bheith ina saorálaithe leis an gCros Dhearg. Tá feasacht ardaithe ag na saorálaithe i gCnoc na Seimre

maidir le sláinte agus sláinteachas agus garchabhair sa phríosún trí oideachas idir comhghleacaithe. Le cúpla bliain anuas sna tionscadail a bhí acu cuireadh oideachas ar phríosúin eile maidir leis an eitinn / VEID maidir le lámha a ní agus cad is fearr do dhuine a dhéanamh nuair a bhuaileann taom príosúnach. Bhí tionscadal an-rathúil ag grúpa na bliana seo ag tacú leis an achainí bia a bhí ar siúl ag an gCros Dhearg i rith aimsir na Nollag 2014. Tá siad i mbun measúnaithe ar an bpobal i gCnoc na Seimre faoi láthair le feiceáil cén tionscadail ar féidir leo a bheith páirteach iontu chun feabhas a chur ar a bpobal.

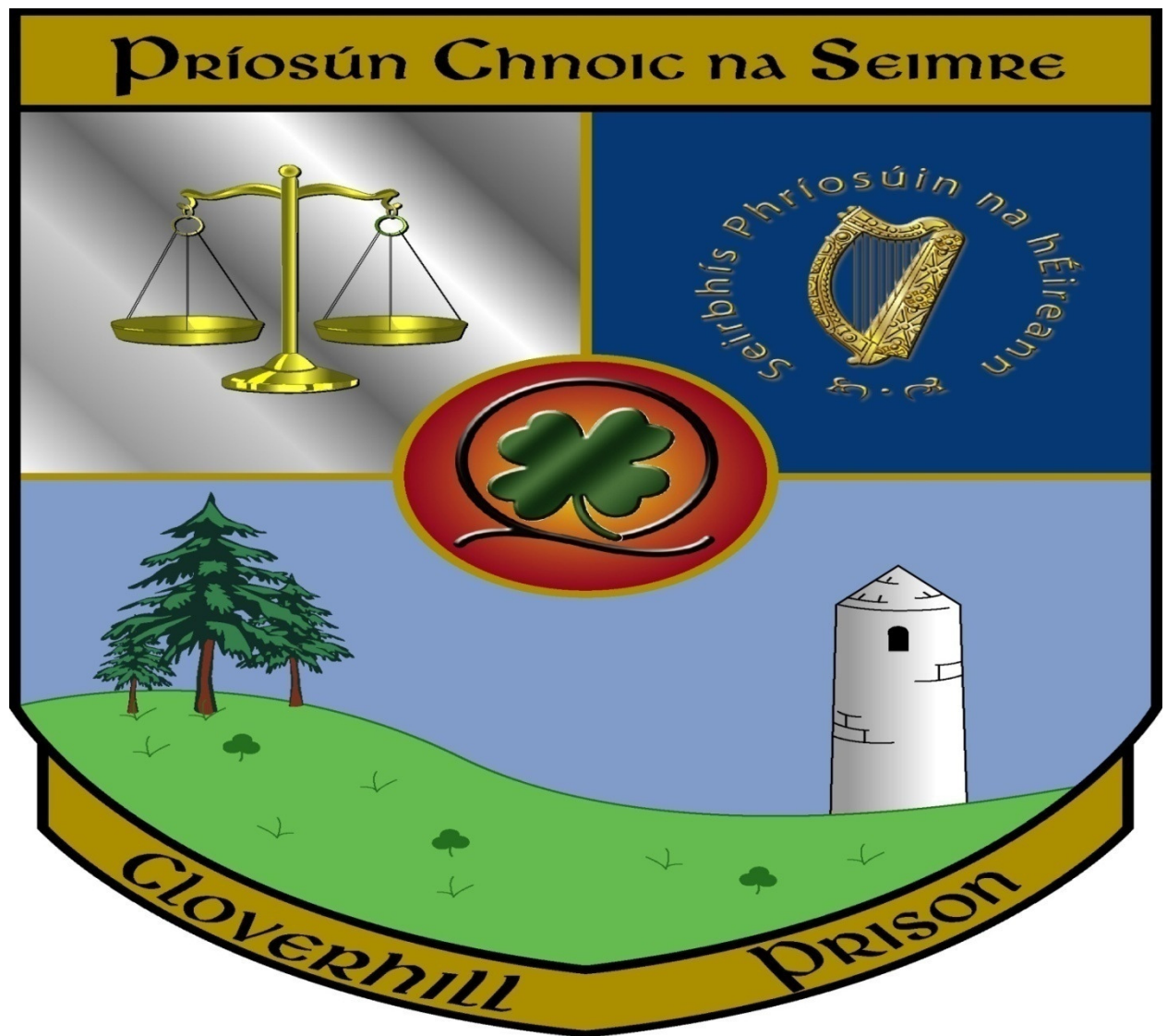
Ba é 2014 an t-aonú bliain déag ag an Scéim Éisteachta i bPríosún Chnoc na Seimre. Faoi láthair tá caoga a haon éisteacht ar fud chóras príosúin na hÉireann. Aithnítear iad mar chuid den líne thosaigh ag cuidiú le príosúnaigh as gach cearn den saol. Creidtear gur chuidigh an scéim seo le go leor daoine a thabhairt slán. Ní mór do phríosúnaigh a mbeadh spéis acu a bheith ina n-éisteacht tabhairt faoi phríosúnaigh scagtha agus freastal ansin ar chúrsa sé seachtaine. Tá gá le rúndacht agus tá an príosún iomlán tógtha air sin. Tá sé ráite ag roinnt príosúnach go mothaíonn siad níos fearr iontu féin mar dhaoine as na scileanna a bhaineann leis an scéim a fhoghlaim agus a bheith ag cuidiú le daoine eile. Táthar dóchasach go rachaidh Scéim na nÉisteacht ó neart go neart, agus go dtabharfaidh sé solás do dhaoine ag amanna ina saol a dteastaíonn cúnamh uathu.

[An tIonad Oideachais](#)

Féach faoi iamh Tuarascáil chuimsitheach maidir le hOideachas. Thiomasaigh Ceann an Aonaid Oideachais i gCnoc na Seimre an tuarascáil seo. Tá an Coiste Cuairte buíoch as a cuid tacaíochta agus a cuid gairmiúlachta leanúnaí ag soláthar oideachais do phríosúnaigh faoi choimeád.

[Obair & Oiliúint i gCnoc na Seimre](#)

Féach faoi iamh Tuarascáil chuimsitheach maidir le hObair & Oiliúint sna réimsí difriúla den phríosún don bhliain 2014. Glacann an Coiste Cuairte buíochas le gach Oifigeach atá i gceannas na réimsí sin as a dtacaíocht agus a gcúnamh leanúnach ar feadh na bliana.



Príosún Chnóc na Seimre
Tuarascáil Oideachais 2014

Tuarascáil don Choiste Cuairte ón Aonad Oideachais

2013 2014

Rochtain:

- ✓ Toisc nár fhreastail ach líon beag daoine as an sciathán faoi chosaint in 2012 – 2013 tógadh cinneadh gan tréimhsí cosanta amháin a bheith ar bun san aonad. Sa bhliain acadúil seo bhí rochtain ar oscailt do Sciatháin A, B, D agus E. Méadaíodh líon na seisiún do gach mac léinn go dtí 15 in aghaidh na seachtaine. Bhí tionchar dearfach aige sin ar an amchlár agus bhíothas in ann teagasc a dhéanamh dá bharr. Rinneadh moladh chun freastal ar phríosúnaigh faoi chosaint laistigh den socrú rochtana sin ach níor thacaigh bainistíocht an phríosúin leis an moladh sin.
- ✓ Tá rochtain le haghaidh phríosúnaigh faoi chosaint fós ina thosaíocht don aonad oideachais sa chéad bhliain acadúil eile agus déanfar gach iarracht socrú a dhéanamh a mbeidh bainistíocht an phríosúin in ann glacadh leis

Easnaimh Eile:

Teastaíonn 3 oifigeach scoile ar a laghad ón aonad oideachais chun príosúnaigh a bhailiú i gcomhair oideachais. Tacaíonn bainistíocht an phríosúin go mór leis i dtéarmaí líon na n-oifigeach oideachais a choinneáil san aonad oideachais. Mar sin féin tharla sé 35 uair an bhliain seo gurbh éigean don aonad oideachais feidhmiú gan acu ach beirt oifigeach, méadú de 15 ón mbliain roimhe sin. Níl aon phost le haghaidh oifigeach scoile agus ciallaíonn sé sin go mbíonn oifigigh difriúla i bhfeidhm an aonaid gach lá. Teastaíonn leanúnachas éigin chun bailiú i gcomhair oideachais a uasmhéadú. Mar gheall ar athrú agus ar ghearradh siar ar líon na foirne níl aon dóchas ann go dtiocfaidh aon fheabhas ar chúrsaí.

Feabhas ar Rochtain le haghaidh 2014 - 2015:

Molfaidh an t-aonad oideachais do bhainistíocht an phríosúin go mbronnfaí rochtain ar bhonn cás ar chás do phríosúnaigh faoi chosaint. Má iarrann príosúnach faoi chosaint oideachas, buailfidh an príomhoide leo chun an imní atá orthu go mbeidh siad ag meascadh le príosúnaigh as sciatháin A, B agus E a phlé leo. Más féidir teacht ar amanna a mbeidh siad sásta teacht chuig an aonad ansin seolfar na sonraí sin chuig bainistíocht an phríosúin. Má tá an bhainistíocht sásta go mbeidh cúrsaí slándála ceart go leor ansin leagfar amchlár amach. Samhlaítear gurb é an rannán PM den amchlár an rogha is fearr do phríosúnaigh faoi chosaint freastal orthu.

Níl na hacmhainní teagasc ag an aonad oideachais chun ranganna a chur ar bun lasmuigh den aonad oideachais agus mar sin mura n-oibríonn an moladh sin, ní mór do bhainistíocht an phríosúin freagracht a ghlacadh as na príosúnaigh faoi chosaint i gCnoc na Seimre nach bhfuil rochtain acu ar aon oideachas.

Curaclam:

Ba iad seo a leanas na dámhachtainí, na réimsí ábhar agus na cúrsaí a bhí ar fáil don bhliain acadúil 2013-2014.

Dámhachtainí:

- ✓ Teastas i bhFoghlaim Ghinearálta – FETAC Leibhéal 2
- ✓ Teastas i Scileanna Infhostaitheachta – FETAC Leibhéal 3
- ✓ Teastas i bhFoghlaim Ghinearálta – FETAC Leibhéal 3
- ✓ Teastas i TFC – FETAC Leibhéal 3
- ✓ Sonraíochtaí Comhpháirte ag FETAC Leibhéal 4 & 5
- ✓ Matamaitic, Béarla, OSSP, Staidéar Gnó & Ealaíon ag Leibhéal an Teastais Shóisearaigh
- ✓ Matamaitic agus Ealaín ag leibhéal na hArdteistiméireachta

Baineadh teastasú amach sna dámhachtainí atá aibhsithe i ndath gorm.

Soláthraíonn na comhlachtaí dámhachtana seo a leanas creidiúnú:

- ✓ An Roinn Oideachais agus Eolaíochta
- ✓ QQI/FETAC
- ✓ ECDL
- ✓ Bord Comhlachtaithe na gCeolscoileanna Ríoga
- ✓ Rac-Scoil
- ✓ Ollscoil Oscailte

<i>Réimse Ábhair</i>	<i>Teideal an Chúrsa</i>	<i>Comhlacht Creidiúnaithe</i>	<i>Leibhéal</i>
Ealaín	Líníocht	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Péinteáil	FETAC	Leibhéal 4
Staidéar Ríomhaireachta	Staidéar Ríomhaireachta	FETAC	Leibhéal 2
	Litearthacht Ríomhaireachta	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Próiseáil Focal	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Scarbhileoga	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Bunachar Sonraí	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Feidhmchláir Ríomhaireachta	FETAC	Leibhéal 4
	Scileanna TF	FETAC	Leibhéal 4
	Próiseáil Focal	FETAC	Leibhéal 4
	Modhanna Scarbhileoige	FETAC	Leibhéal 4
	Próiseáil Focal	FETAC	Leibhéal 5
	Táirgeadh Téacs	FETAC	Leibhéal 5
	Modúil 1-6	ECDL	Bunúsach
	Modúil 2,3,4	ECDL	Ard
Scileanna Boga	Éifeachtacht Phearsanta	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Scileanna Pearsanta agus Idirphearsanta	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Féin-abhcóideacht	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Cúram Pearsanta agus Cur i Láthair	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Ullmhú Gairme	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Éifeachtacht Phearsanta	FETAC	Leibhéal 4
Béarla	Léitheoireacht	FETAC	Leibhéal 2
	Scríbhneoireacht	FETAC	Leibhéal 2
	Ag Leagan Síos Spriocanna Foghlama	FETAC	Leibhéal 2
	Cumarsáid	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
Matamaitic	Cainníocht agus Líon	FETAC	Leibhéal 2
	Matamaitic	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Airgead Pearsanta a Bhainistiú	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Matamaitic	FETAC	Leibhéal 4
	Matamaitic	An Teastas Sóisearach	Bonnleibhéal
	Matamaitic	An Ardeistiméireacht	Bonnleibhéal
Béarla le haghaidh Cainteoirí teangacha eile	ESOL	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	ESOL	FETAC	Leibhéal 4
Ceol	Innealtóireacht Fuaime	FETAC	Leibhéal 5
	Teoiric an Cheoil	ABRSM	Grád 1

	Teoiric an Cheoil	ABRSM	Grád 2
Corpoideachas	Sláinte agus Aclaíocht	FETAC	Leibhéal 2
	Cúram Pearsanta	FETAC	Leibhéal 2
	Corpachmhainn ar son na Sláinte	FETAC	Leibhéal 3
	Corpachmhainn ar son na Sláinte	FETAC	Leibhéal 4
An Chrois Dhearg	Garchabhair ag an Obair	FETAC	Leibhéal 5
	Céad Fhreagairt Cairdiach	PHECC	Leibhéal 1
	CBHFA	An Chrois Dhearg	N/B

Tabhair faoi deara: Seasann cúrsaí i ndath dearg le cúrsaí nua a tairgeadh in 2013 – 2014.

Staitisticí maidir le Creidiúnú 2013 - 2014

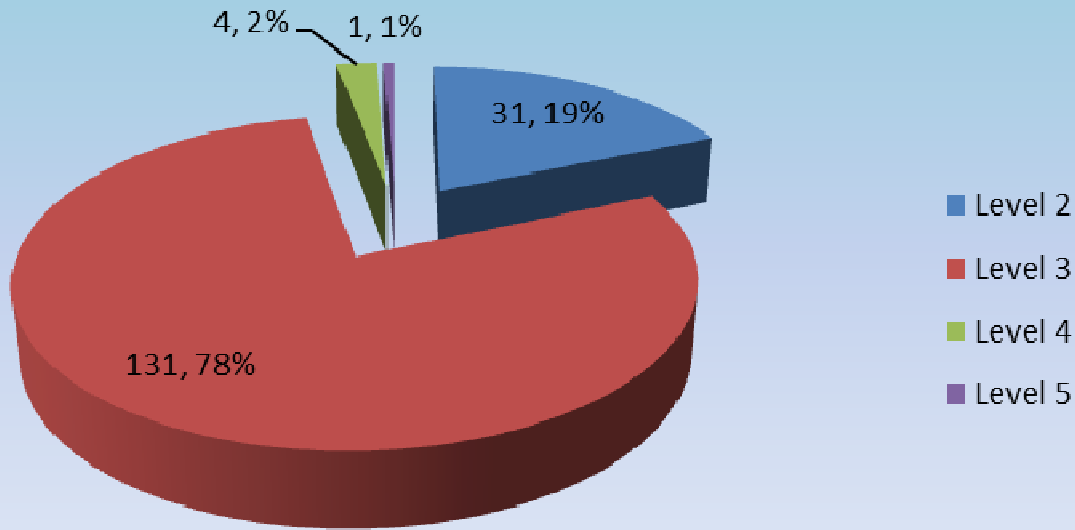
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Líníocht	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	6
Staidéar Ríomhaireachta	FETAC	Leibhéal 2	22
Lítearthacht Ríomhaireachta	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	8
Próiseáil Focal	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	15
Scarbhileoga	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	12
Bunachar Sonraí	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	2
Próiseáil Focal	FETAC	Leibhéal 4	6
Scarbhileoga	FETAC	Leibhéal 4	3
Feidhmchláir Ríomhaireachta	FETAC	Leibhéal 4	2
Scileanna TF	FETAC	Leibhéal 4	3
Próiseáil Focal	FETAC	Leibhéal 5	3
Táirgeadh Téacs	FETAC	Leibhéal 5	2
Éifeachtacht Phearsanta	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	35
Scileanna Pearsanta agus Idirphearsanta	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	28
Féin-abhcóideacht	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	28
Cúram Pearsanta agus Cur i Láthair	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	28
Ullmhú Gairme	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	28
Éifeachtacht Phearsanta	FETAC	Leibhéal 4	28
Léitheoireacht	FETAC	Leibhéal 2	3
Scríbhneoireacht	FETAC	Leibhéal 2	4
Ag Leagan Síos Spriocanna Foghlama	FETAC	Leibhéal 2	7

Cainníocht agus Líon	FETAC	Leibhéal 2	11
Matamaitic	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	10
Matamaitic	An Teastas Sóisearach	Bonnleibhéal	2
Airgead Pearsanta a Bhainistiú	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	2
ESOL	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	9
ESOL	FETAC	Leibhéal 4	2
Teoiric an Cheoil	ABRSM	Grád 1	3
Teoiric an Cheoil	ABRSM	Grád 2	2
Sláinte agus Aclaíocht	FETAC	Leibhéal 2	1
Cúram Pearsanta	FETAC	Leibhéal 2	3
Corpachmhainn ar son na Sláinte	FETAC	Leibhéal 3	15
Garchabhair ag an Obair	FETAC	Leibhéal 5	9
An Chrois Dhearg	An Chrois Dhearg	N/B	9

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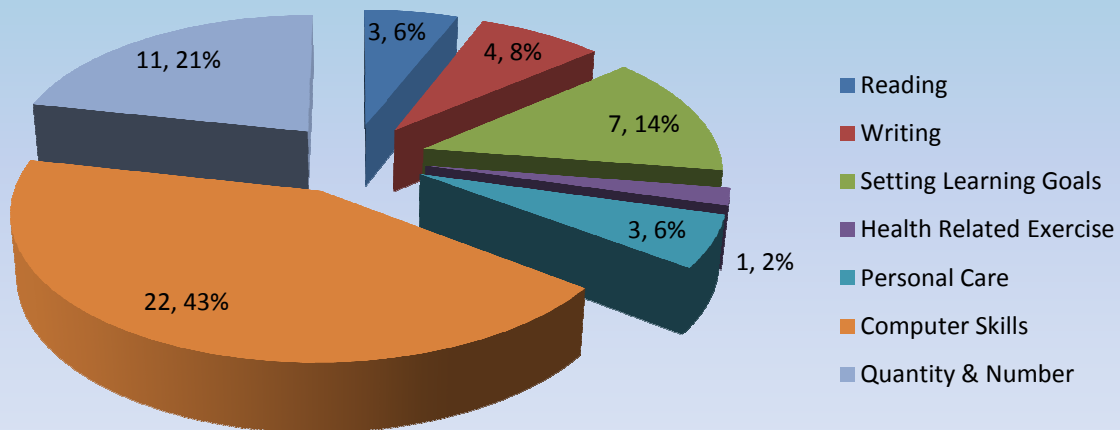
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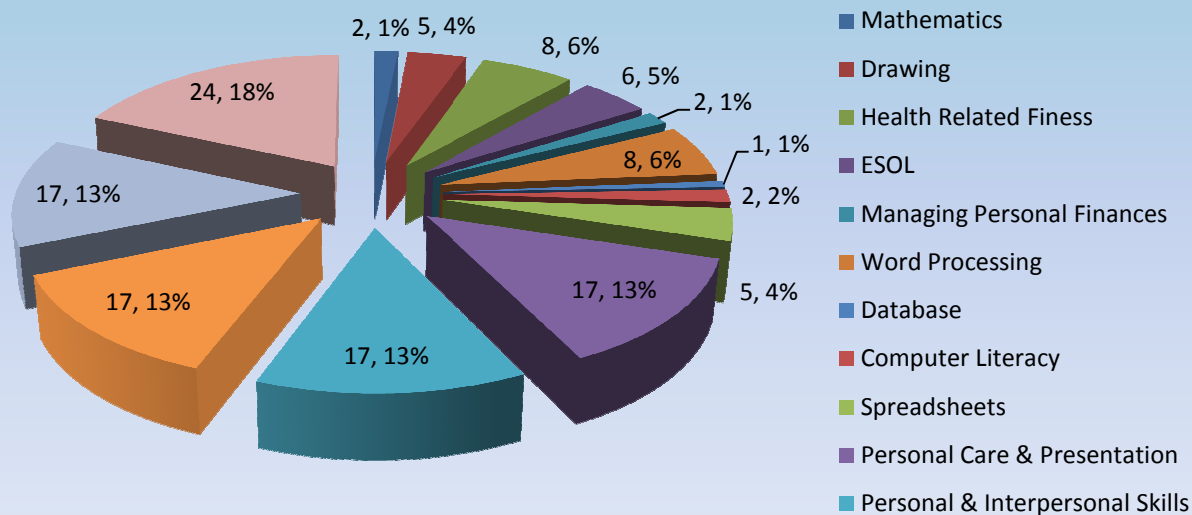
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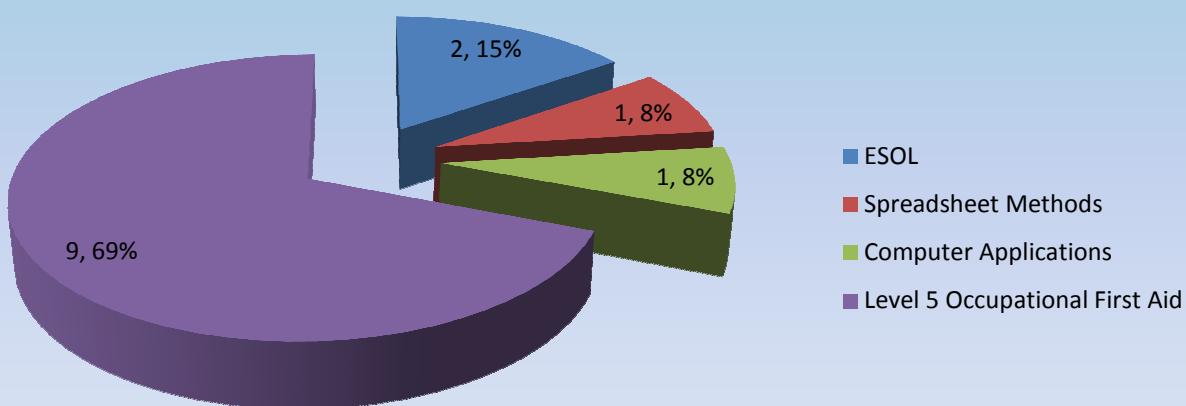


Fíor 5- Measúnú FETAC Nollaig 2013 - Meitheamh 2014

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Fíor 4 - Measúnú FETAC Leibhéal 4 & Leibhéal 5 Nollaig 2013 - Meitheamh 2014

Soláthar Litearthachta agus Uimhearthachta:

Téann gach mac léinn a théann i láthair i gcomhair oideachais san aonad oideachais i bPríosún Chnoc na Seimre faoi mheasúnú litearthachta agus uimhearthachta. (Ní théann mic léinn a bhfuil an teastas sóisearach nó an ardeistiméireacht déanta acu faoi mheasúnú bunaithe sa phríosún).

Torthaí an Mheasúnaithe Litearthachta agus Uimhearthachta le haghaidh 2013-2014

Líon na mac léinn a ndearnadh measúnú orthu	180
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<i>Leibhéal</i>	<i>Léitheoireacht</i>	<i>Scribhneoireacht</i>	<i>Uimhearthacht</i>
Réamh – Leibhéal 1	1	3	2
Leibhéal 1	4	12	9
Leibhéal 2	21	24	34
Leibhéal 3	154	132	132

Soláthar ESOL:

Téann gach mac léinn ESOL a théann i láthair i gcomhair rang teagaisc Béarla faoi mheasúnú teanga.

Líon na mac léinn a ndearnadh measúnú orthu	74
Líon ag Réamh-Thosaitheoir Leibhéal 0	29
Líon ag Tosaitheoir Leibhéal 1	34
Líon ag Tosaitheoir Leibhéal 2	11

Leithdháiltear trí sheisiún uair an chloig de theagasc teanga in aghaidh na seachtaine ar gach leibhéal.

Dul chun cinn:

Feidhmíonn formhór na mac léinn ag stádas Leibhéal 3 agus níl siad sách fada aon aonad oideachais le clár iomlán Leibhéal 3 a chur i gcrích.

Toisc gur príosún athchurtha é Cnoc na Seimre déanann formhór na bpríosúnach dul chun cinn chuig aonaid oideachais i bpríosúin eile. Má chláraíonn siad in aonad oideachais eile laistigh den chóras príosúin cuirtear a dtaifead oibre ar aghaidh chuig an aonad sin ó Chnoc na Seimre.

Faigheann príosúnaigh atá ag déanamh pianbhreithe agus a scaoiltear amach as Cnoc na Seimre tacaíocht maidir le riachtanais breisoideachas ón tSeirbhís Oideachais don tseirbhís Treoir Príosún nuair is féidir. Mura féidir é sin a dhéanamh ansin próiseálann an Príomhoide aon iarratais eile ar oideachas.

In 2012 – 2013 próiseáladh **3** iarratas ar iontráil chuig breisoideachas ón aonad oideachais chuig na coláistí seo a leanas

- ✓ Coláiste Chromghlinne
- ✓ LibertiesCollege
- ✓ Clár um Fhilleadh ar an bhFoghlaim Loch Garman

Rinneadh **3** atreorú eile chuig ionaid oideachais do dhaoine fásta le haghaidh príosúnach ar mian leo fillleadh ar oideachas sna háiteanna seo a leanas:

- ✓ Coláiste Dhúlaigh
- ✓ Coláiste Pobail Uí Lorcáin.

Is féidir le príosúnaigh atá athchurtha go fadtéarmach agus príosúnaigh ar gearradh pianbhreith orthu dul ar aghaidh ó Leibhéal 3 go dtí Leibhéal 4 sna réimsí ábhair seo a leanas.

- ✓ TF
- ✓ Ealaín
- ✓ Corpacmhainn ar son na Sláinte
- ✓ Cumarsáid
- ✓ Matamaitic
- ✓ ESOL

Measúnacht:

Déantar measúnacht tríd na rudaí seo a leanas:

6. Measúnacht ar fhoirmeacha cúrsaí
7. Leanúnach 1:1 le mic léinn
8. Measúnacht ábhair le mac léinn
9. Maidin mheasúnachta mic léinn x 2 in aghaidh na bliana acadúla
10. Lá measúnachta an aonaid

Níor tharla an mheasúnacht trí Uimh. 4 agus 5 thuas sa bhliain acadúil seo mar gheall ar fhadhbanna a bhí le tinreamh foirne ag na cruinnithe sin agus sin toisc na srianta i gcomhaontú Pháirc an Chrócaigh.

Is rud achrannach é sin agus táthar dóchasach go mbeifear in ann dul i ngleic leis sa chéad bhliain acadúil eile. Toisc gur foireann múinteoirí ar chonradh pro-rata den chuid is mó atá ag obair i gCnoc na Seimre is beag múinteoirí a bhíonn ar fáil le haghaidh cruinnithe deireadh bliana toisc go mbíonn a gcuid uaireanta de réir chomhaontú Pháirc an Chrócaigh comhlíonta acu ag an bpointe sin. Dá bhrí sin ní dhearnadh aon mheasúnacht go dtí an gnáth-chaighdeán i mbliana. Tá sé i gceist ag an bPríomhoide é sin a chur faoi bhráid an chomhordaithe sula gcomhaontaítear sceideal Pháirc an Chrócaigh don chéad bhliain acadúil eile agus straitéis a oibriú amach faoina mbeidh an oiread foirne agus is féidir ar fáil i gcomhair laethanta measúnachta.

Conclúid:

Bhí go leor buaicphointí arís i mbliana. Mar sin féin tá ceist achrannach ann mar má tá aon dul chun cinn breise le déanamh teastóidh tuilleadh acmhainní teagaisc. Rinne an príomhoide roinnt iarrachtaí tuilleadh acmhainní a fháil ach níor éirigh leis. Dá bhrí sin déanfar dámhachtain iomlán ag Leibhéal 4 a tharraingt siar ón amchlár agus ní bheidh forbairt chuig clár an Teastais Shóisearaigh agus na hArdteistiméireachta ar siúl in 2014 - 2015.

Tá beirt fhoirne sinsearach (Corpoideachas agus Béarla/Litearthacht) ag glacadh sosanna gairme mar sin beidh sé deacair obair fhorbartha a dhéanamh sna réimsí sin toisc go dtógfaidh sé am ar na daoine a thiocfaidh ina n-áit socrú síos.

Dá bhrí sin beidh forbairt deacair i roinnt réimsí den phlean. Is iad seo a leanas na réimsí a dtabharfar tosaíocht dóibh.

➤ **Rochtain:**

- ✓ Rochtain a bhaint amach san aonad oideachais do phríosúnaigh faoi chosaint

➤ **Measúnacht:**

- ✓ A chinntiú go mbíonn na laethanta measúnachta mac léinn agus lá measúnachta an aonaid ar bun.

Tabhair faoi deara:

Ní féidir aon tosaíochtaí a aithint le haghaidh an churaclaim agus le haghaidh creidiúnaithe mura mbeidh acmhainní feabhsaithe ann.



Príosún Chnoc na Seimre
Tuarascáil ar Obair agus Oiliúint
2014

Réamhrá

Ba bhliain dhúshlánach a bhí in 2014 ag gach duine a bhí ag obair agus ag dul faoi oiliúint i bPríosún Chnoc na Seimre. D'fhág foireann laghdaithe agus srianta airgid ar fud eastát an phríosúin gurbh fhurasta díriú ar obair agus ar oiliúint nuair a bhí gearradh siar le déanamh.

I rith 2014, cuireadh dhá WTO nua i gCnoc na Seimre, 1 sa timpeallacht agus 1 i scileanna boga.

Tá níos mó agus níos mó príosúnach ag glacadh áiteanna ar na ceardlanna bliain i ndiaidh bliana in ainneoin líon na gcimithe ar an meán a bheith ag titim.

Faoi láthair níl aon Bhainisteoir Tionsclaíoch buan i bPríosún Chnoc na Seimre. Tá oifigeach ceaptha ach ní féidir é a scaoileadh óna dhualgais reatha. Mar gheall air scaipeadh amach an post i measc foirne éagsúla. Táthar ag súil go bhféadfar scaoileadh leis an oifigeach ceaptha chun an post sin a ghlacadh go luath.

Seo tuairisc ghairid ar gach réimse oibre & oiliúna:

An Phríomhchistin:

Arís eile leanadh ag cur ardchaighdeán seirbhíse ar fáil sa chistin. Ar an drochuair mar gheall ar srianta buiséid bhí fadhb le hiniúcháirí seachtracha maidir le saincheisteanna struchtúracha agus mar gheall air sin theip ar an gcistin i roinnt iniúchtaí mar gheall ar chúinsí struchtúracha. Tá sé mar aidhm na ceisteanna sin a réiteach chomh luath agus is féidir. Coinníodh ardchaighdeán glantacháin freisin sa chistin agus chomhlíon an mhapaireacht agus na samplaí bia a tógadh go léir na caighdeáin atá leagtha síos. Is áit an-ghnóthach í an chistin i gCnoc na Seimre agus déantar béilí d'os cionn 400 príosúnach 3 huair sa lá, chomh maith le lón le haghaidh thart ar 100 príosúnach a fhreastalaíonn ar Chúirt Chnoc na Seimre go laethúil.

Mar gheall ar an líon mór oibríthe a athraítear thart sa phríosún ní bhíonn aon oiliúint aitheanta ar bun le haghaidh príosúnach, ach faigheann príosúnaigh cúrsa oiliúna 2 sheachtain istigh sa phríosún féin.

Bialann na Foirne:

Seo é an dara bliain i mbun oibre bialann na foirne ag WTOanna agus tá ag éirí thar cionn leis i measc na foirne. Faightear bricfeasta te/ fuar sa bhialann, lón beag agus dinnéar te seacht lá na seachtaine. Theip ar an mbialann i roinnt iniúchtaí freisin mar gheall ar shaincheisteanna struchtúracha agus táthar ag súil dul i ngleic leo sin go luath in 2015.

Giomnáisiamáí:

Tá 3 ghiomnáisiam i gCnoc na Seimre agus bíonn 2 cheann ar oscailt ag aon am ar bith. Is é an príomh-giomnáisiam LDU an ceann is mó de na giomnáisiamáí agus freastalaíonn sé ar phríomh-dhaonra an phríosúin agus freastalaíonn giomnáisiamáí

rannóga C & E níos mó ar na príosúnaigh atá faoi chosaint.
Teastaíonn trealamh nua ar fad a chur in áit chuid mhaith den trealamh sa
ghiomnásiam.

Glantachán Tionsclaíoch:

Is iomaí ról a bhaineann le Glantachán Tionsclaíoch agus níorbh aon eisceacht an
bhliain seo. Cuireadh cúrsa oiliúna deimhnithe ar bun do phríosúnaigh sa deireadh
thiar in 2014 agus mar thoradh air sin bhronn city & guilds 150 deimhniú ar
phríosúnaigh. Mar gheall ar an gcáilíocht sin d'éirigh le cúpla príosúnach post a fháil
dóibh féin go seachtrach. Tá sé beartaithe ceimiceáin nua a thástáil i gCnoc na Seimre
ag tús 2015 agus is sábháil mhór a bheidh ansin don IPS. Tá ceisteanna go fóill maidir
leis an bhfoireann a athlonnú sa réimse seo in ainneoin inní a bheith faoi shláinte
agus sábháilteacht maidir leis na ról sin.

Ríomhairí:

Tá an cheardlann ríomhairí ar bun agus 2 W.T.O. i mbun maoirseachta/oiliúna 7 lá na
seachtaine nuair is féidir. Tugann sé sin áit éigin eile do phríosúnaigh, go háirithe iad
sin nach bhfuil in ann ar chúiseanna éagsúla freastal ar an scoil.

Neachtlann:

Níl an trealamh fós sa neachtlann i gCnoc na Seimre chun freastal ar an éileamh atá
air. Cé go seoltar cuid den níos níos go Cnoc an Arbhair bímid fós ag plé le lear mór
ábhar. Cuireadh cás gnó isteach maidir le huainchlár ceann i ndiaidh a chéile roinnt
uaireanta agus in ainneoin aon saincheisteanna maidir le LSA, creidimid gur cheart
féachaint arís ar na saincheisteanna sin. Thug roinnt príosúnach faoin gcúrsa guild of
Launders faoi cheannaireacht an WTO atá i gceannas na neachtlainne.

An Comhshaol:

Líonadh an post sin i mí Márta 2014 agus tá ag éirí thar cionn leis an WTO lena
mbaineann sa phríosún. Is é an príomhdheacracht atá leis an bpost ná oibríthe
oiriúnacha a aimsiú.

Scileanna Boga:

Líonadh an post sin go luath in 2014 ach in ainneoin gur ceapadh WTO sa réimse seo
níl aon oiliúint fós ar an oifigeach agus is le déanaí anuas a ceannaíodh ábhar. Tá an
trealamh ann anois ach níltear á úsáid. Idir an dá linn tá an t-oifigeach ag maoirsiú
cóisirí péinteála.

Táthar ag súil in 2015 go leanfaidh gach ceardlann i gCnoc na Seimre ag feidhmiú ag
a gcumas uasta agus go leanfar dá bhrí sin leis an treocht atá ann níos mó daoine a
bheith ag freastal ar cheardlann.

Conclúid

Ba mhaith linn buíochas a ghabháil agus aitheantas a thabhairt don chúnamh ar fad a thug na gníomhaireachtaí éagsúla lena gcuid ama agus seirbhísí ar bhonn laethúil/seachtainiúil ar mhaithe leis an tseirbhís phríosúin. Chomhlíon an coiste a dhualgais go cuí agus é meáite ar iad a chomhlíonadh go hiomlán in 2015.

Ba mhaith linn freisin buíochas a ghabháil leis na Gobharnóirí Ronan Maher, Fergus Woods agus Chris Mc Cormack, agus le rúnaí an Ghobharnóra agus leis an bhfoireann go léir as a gcúnamh agus a gcomhoibriú i rith na bliana.

Ba mhaith leis an gCoiste Cuairte buíochas a ghabháil arís leis an Aire Dlí agus Cirt agus Comhionannais agus le hArd-Stiúrthóir Sheirbhís Phríosúin na hÉireann (IPS). Tá an Coiste Cuairte ag tnúth le caidreamh oibre gairmiúil agus folláin arís in 2015.

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