

**PRISON BOARD: REPORT FOR 2001**

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## **REPORT**

### **Introduction**

2001 was a momentous year for H.M. Prison La Moye. For the first time ever the establishment was subject to independent scrutiny when the Chief Inspector of Prisons and his team carried out a full inspection during April.

It is to the credit of the then Governor and the staff involved that the Chief Inspector was able to identify 23 examples of good practice. It was also forward-thinking and courageous of the Home Affairs Committee to commission the inspection, as the recommendations that resulted have identified a list of needs and a lengthy agenda for change, which will take a great deal of effort and additional resources to deliver.

Keith Wheeler was Governor of La Moye for over 23 years. He retired in December 2001 after long and faithful service. A wide range of initiatives that he was able to promote and develop during his tenure evidences his dedication and commitment to the establishment. The healthy ethos and positive relationship that exists between staff and prisoners are also features that were identified by the inspection team and are due in no small way to the leadership and guidance that Keith Wheeler demonstrated during his 23 years. I wish him a long, happy and well-deserved retirement.

During the year we have also seen a consistent growth in the population and the need for greater use of places in the U.K. to handle the overspill. The profile of the population has also changed with a much greater percentage of new receptions identified as having a serious substance abuse problem. We have, however, seen the introduction of a prison psychologist and a resident probation officer, both of whom are committed to developing and introducing offending behaviour programmes that will enable us to reduce the likelihood of offending among the population.

I arrived in December 2001 acutely aware of the inspection report and the implications for the establishment. Although the agenda that has been set by the Chief Inspector is a long and arduous one, I am convinced that by following it we will deliver a Prison Service better able to fulfil its responsibility to the courts, to the public and to the prisoners in our care.

I note the comments in the Chaplain's report about morale and the need for a chapel.

2001 was certainly a difficult year, but it should not be forgotten that we are addressing these and other issues as we move into 2002. Additional staff were trained in the new year and will assist in reducing the high levels of overtime that were seen in 2001. We also have a comprehensive refurbishment plan, including a new chapel, which is due to be funded in 2003. With the support of the Home Affairs Committee, I am very optimistic that the future for the prison will be one of continuous improvement.

It should not be forgotten that the prison has its part to play in reducing re-offending and enabling prisoners to return to a constructive lifestyle back in the community. If we can, as a result of the education, training and offending behaviour programmes that we are endeavouring to introduce reduce the likelihood of re-offending and by doing so prevent someone else from becoming "the next victim" we will have justified the investment that is required and will have helped to make Jersey a safer place to live.

**M.P. KIRBY**

*Prison Governor.*

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **General**

The total number of persons received into Prison increased from 384 in 2000 to 465 in 2001. The daily occupancy rate increased by 8.25% with the number of prisoner days increasing from 47,414 to 51,324. In addition to the inmates held in Jersey a further 14,979 prisoner days were served by Jersey sentenced prisoners who had been transferred to the United Kingdom to complete their sentences. It must be noted that the daily average prison population in Jersey during 2001 was 140.61 and when combined with the Jersey sentenced population in the United Kingdom of 41.04 this produced a total daily prison population of 181.65 individuals.

### **Building Projects**

During the year various measures were undertaken to improve security, minor works were carried out in the hospital wing and the female wing kitchen and dining area were refurbished.

Construction of the Control Room has been completed with fitting out being undertaken in 2002.

The Prison buildings continue to provide cause for concern, both from the continued degradation and the overcrowding and lack of facilities for staff and inmates alike.

### **Overcrowding**

Inmate numbers remained at a high level throughout 2001, causing overcrowding in all areas of the prison.

### **Prison Inspection**

In 2001 there was the first ever visit to Jersey of the H M Inspectorate of Prisons led by Sir David Ramsbothan and steps were initiated to implement his recommendations.

### **Prison Governor**

Mr. E.K. Wheeler, Prison Governor, retired during December 2001, and was replaced by Mr. M.P. Kirby.

## **Prison (Board of Visitors) Regulations 1957: Regulation 19**

### **ANNUAL REPORT TO THE STATES OF THE PRISON BOARD OF VISITORS FOR THE YEAR 2001**

#### **General**

The Prison Board of Visitors held 11 monthly meetings in 2001 and there were two special meetings to deal with disciplinary matters. Forty-five complaints and requests were put to the Board at their monthly meetings and a further 59 were dealt with by the Jurats whose duty it is to visit the prison between routine meetings.

#### **Discipline**

During the year, 176 reports were submitted against 89 prisoners for contravening prison rules. Of these, 15 were referred to the police, two were referred to the Board of Visitors and the remainder were dealt with by way of dismissal or caution, forfeiture or suspension of remission, or loss of privileges or pay. A total of 33 offenders were dealt with for more than one offence, the highest being one prisoner with 11 reports, one with 9 and three with 6.

Throughout the year there has been unrelenting pressures on every aspect of prison work, affecting staff and conditions severely. The prisoner population reached saturation point more than once and the highest number of inmates ever to be recorded at one time occurred in December, when the prison population reached 163. Over-crowding was a regular and severe problem, not least in recreational, educational and occupational areas.

Statistically, the prison's daily population showed a 8% increase on the previous year, a 12% increase in two years and a 44% increase in six years. The total number of inmates serving sentences of four years and over was 78% up on the figure recorded in 1995 and the Vulnerable Persons unit housed 117% more inmates than six years beforehand.

A total of 1,414 temporary releases were granted during the year with 1,142 being for work experience. There were ten breaches of discipline.

#### **Prison Inspection**

Brief mention was made in the last Annual Report of the first ever visit to Jersey's prison of H.M. Inspectorate of Prisons, led by Sir David Ramsbotham. As this report deals with the year in question, it is appropriate to reiterate the Board's satisfaction with the contents of the Inspectorate's report in general and in particular with its pertinent recommendations for the future of the prison, many of which have been referred to in past reports. The Board urges the Home Affairs Committee to act expeditiously upon those matters which self-evidently require high priority and, having been enshrined in H.M.I.'s report, require no repetition here.

#### **Governor's Retirement**

The publication of H.M.I.'s report almost coincided with the retirement of the Governor for the previous 23 years, Mr. Keit Wheeler, whose selfless dedication to his duties had long been a matter of unacknowledged fact. In the interests of the Prison in general, he had frequently been on 24-hour call and had forfeited holidays accordingly.

As an earnest of its regard for him and his achievements, the Board entertained him to a farewell lunch at which those present included retired Jurats who had served with him over the years. The opportunity was taken to present him with an inscribed silver Jersey christening bowl.

Interviews having taken place earlier in the year, the Home affairs Committee announced the appointment of Mr. Michael Kirby to replace Mr. Wheeler and he commenced his duties in December, when he made a presentation to the Board outlining his philosophies and his vision of the way ahead for the Prison. He will continue the policy of transferring as many prisoners as feasible to the U.K. Now that transfers can be arranged directly by the Governor rather than through time-consuming diplomatic channels, it was possible in mid-summer to achieve the highest-yet monthly figure of 60 transferees.

#### **Board of Visitors**

A lunch was held in September to bid farewell on her retirement as an active Jurat of Dr. Barbara Myles, who had been a member of the Prison Board of Visitors for 18 years and chairman for her final seven years. Tribute was paid to her and a presentation was made.

Earlier the Board had shared the Royal Court's delight on her appointment in the Queen's Birthday Honours, in recognition

of her many years' judicial service, as an Officer of the Order of the British Empire.

Jurat Myles was succeeded by the undersigned and the consequent vacancy on the Board was filled by Jurat Geoffrey Allo. Jurat John Tibbo was named as vice-chairman.

The remaining members of the Board are Jurats Mazel Le Ruez, M.B.E., Roy Bullen, M.B.E., John Le Breton and Donald Georgelin.

### **General Report**

In March, a senior officer visited Scotland to study steps taken there to ensure that the Prison Service complies with the new legislation.

Jurat Le Breton continues to represent the Board on the Les Chênes Management Committee and reports accordingly.

As a result of prisoners' concerns about arrangements for legal advisers to visit their clients in prison, correspondence took place between Jurat Donald Georgelin (to whom complaints about perceived lack of interest and urgency were originally made) and Advocate Susan Pearmain (the subject of complaint). After the Bâtonnier, Advocate Richard Michel, had become involved, the matter was raised by the then chairman with the Deputy Bailiff, who recommended that the Bâtonnier issue a direction to all practitioners that it was their duty to visit clients at La Moye without delay and within a specified period. The problem appears to have been resolved.

The Board also had reason to refer a matter to another authority when the Prison Authorities decided towards the end of the year to alter the format of monthly statistics, thus dropping the practice of naming every individual prisoner and detailing pertinent personal details about each one. Their replacement by tables of figures was considered to be most unsatisfactory and it was resolved to refer the matter to the Home Affairs Committee pointing out, *inter alia*, that statutory and regulatory provisions require the Board to have access to, and to inspect, anything and everything as the case may be. On receipt of a letter from the Board's chairman, the president of the Home Affairs Committee, Deputy Alastair Layzell, promised to raise the matter with the Governor.

**M.A. RUMFITT (JURAT)**

*Chairman of the Board of Visitors.*

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRISON GOVERNOR

H.M. PRISON  
Jersey C.I.

The President and members of the Home Affairs Committee.

I have the honour to present my report for the year 2001.

### 1. Population

The daily average population was 140.61 and the comparison with other years is as follows -

Average for	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>
	115.00	114.32	126.10	129.55	140.61

The comparative figures for the greatest and least number of persons in Prison on any one day show the following -

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>
Greatest number	145	131	144	141	164
Least number	96	105	107	117	127

### 2. Receptions

The total number of persons received into Prison during 2001 was higher than in 2000. The figures are as follows:-

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>
Males	481	430	399	357	419
Females	<u>32</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>46</u>
Total	513	464	418	384	465

The figures below show how the persons received into Prison during the year were dealt with by the Courts, and a comparison with 2000 is given -

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>
Sentenced to imprisonment or youth detention	157	222
Dealt with by methods other than imprisonment	184	194
Remaining in custody unsentenced at the end of the year	<u>38</u>	<u>43</u>
	379	459
Transferred from the United Kingdom	4	6
Debtors	1	-
	<hr/> 384	<hr/> 465

### 3. Length of sentence

The sentences imposed in 2001 compared with those in 2000 were as follows -

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>
1 month and under	59	78
Over 1 month and under 6 months	42	59
6 months to 12 months	21	32
Over 12 months to 2 years	19	38
Over 2 years to under 5 years	29	22
5 years to under 6 years	4	4
6 years and over	16	19
Life	-	1
	<hr/> # 190	<hr/> *253

# Includes 33 of the 56 persons admitted to Prison in 1999 but sentenced in 2000.

\* Includes 31 of the 38 persons admitted to Prison in 2000 but sentenced in 2001.

### 4. Young Offenders

The number of persons under the age of 21 received into Youth Detention in 2001 were 5 females and 78 males, compared with 8 and 69 in 2000.

Of the 83 admitted, 7 were 16, 13 were 17, 18 were 18, 28 were 19 and 17 were 20 years of age.

### 5. Previous convictions

Of the 465 persons admitted during the year, 321 were known to have had previous convictions, and 233 had served terms of imprisonment or some other form of custodial or suspended sentences or community service.

### 6. Countries of origin

Of the total admissions, 188 were Jersey-born, compared with 158 in 2000. In addition, 145 had resided in the Island long enough to be considered permanent residents.

Of the remainder, 82 claimed to be citizens of the United Kingdom, 14 were from Madeira, 10 from Eire, 7 from India and a further 19 from Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, France, Kosovo, Lithuania, Morocco, Portugal, South Africa, Turkey and Zimbabwe.

### 7. Temporary releases

A total of 1,414 temporary releases were granted during the year with 1,142 being for work experience. There were 10 breaches of discipline.

## 8. Discipline

176 reports were submitted against 89 prisoners for contravening prison rules during the year. Of these 15 were referred to the Police, 2 were referred to the Board of Visitors, and the remainder were cautioned or dismissed, forfeited remission or received suspended awards, loss of privileges or pay. 33 offenders were dealt with for more than one offence, the highest being one prisoner with eleven reports, one with nine and three with six.

## 9. Cost of prisoners' food

The cost of food provided to prisoners during 2001 amounted to £2.38 per day.

## 10. Employment of prisoners

Most prisoners were employed in the Prison Industries, which produced an income of £184,929.

## 11. Staff

On 31st December 2001 the establishment of the Prison Staff was as follows -

	<u>2001</u>
Governor	1
Deputy Governor	1
Senior Unit Manager	3
Unit Manager	6
Catering Officer	3
Prison Officer (male)	42
Prison Officer (female)	8
Hospital Officer	4
Engineer Officer	3
Industrial Officer	2
Psychiatric Nurse	1
Executive Officer	1
Clerical Officer	1
Secretary/ Clerical Officer (part-time)	1
Clerk (part-time)	1
Civilian Horticultural Officer	1
Civilian Driver/Compound Assistant	1
Cleaner	1

**M.P. KIRBY**

*Prison Governor.*

## H.M. PRISON, LA MOYE - FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2001

The budget for 2001 was £5,596,148 although actual expenditure during the period was £5,355,715. This resulted in an overall underspend of £240,433 made up chiefly of reduced staff costs as a result of unfilled vacancies and additional income from prison industries and rents from staff housing. Details for the year are as follows -

	<b>BUDGET 2001</b>	<b>ACTUAL SPEND 2001</b>	<b>VARIANCE</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>STAFF</b>	3,721,800	3,572,806	(148,994)
<b>NON-STAFF</b>			
Premises	313,800	313,686	(114)
Supplies + Services	806,948	806,738	(210)
Transport	20,100	20,099	(1)
Establishment	117,300	116,494	(806)
Cost of prisoners in U.K.	833,000	833,000	-
Staff housing	13,200	11,103	(2,097)
<b>Total non-staff</b>	2,104,348	2,101,120	(3,228)
<b>Total expenditure</b>	5,826,148	5,673,926	(152,222)
<b>Less Income</b>			
Prison Industries	184,000	257,419	73,419
Rent	46,000	60,792	14,792
<b>Net expenditure</b>	5,596,158	5,355,715	(240,433)

Note: ( ) indicates underspend

## **ANNUAL STAFF DEPLOYMENT 2001**

The Detail Department has at times had some extreme demands made of it during 2001, mainly due to the continued high average daily Prison population (140.61 inmates per day average).

The Department has strived to meet all the demands made of it during 2001. Taking into account such variables as inmate escorts and watches, staff sickness, works coverage and continued changes to Prison regimes while at the same time being mindful of the Prison annual budget and the needs of our most valuable asset "the staff".

The continued high daily average Prison population has resulted in a large number of inmate movements out of the Prison.

Wherever possible, casual leave requests were granted. Changes of allocated leave periods and extensions of leave periods were facilitated wherever possible. Of a total of 2,263.5 leave days due (a decrease of 158 days over 2000) 257.5 have been carried forward into 2002 (a decrease of 50.5 days over 2000).

Time off in lieu (T.O.I.L.) has also been a continued option. A total of 1421 hours have been carried forward into 2002, a decrease of 492 hours over the 2000 figure. (this now includes Unit Managers).

Absenteeism through sickness has seen a significant rise compared with 2000 (1278 days in 2000, 1864 days in 2001) a total increase of 586 days. 16 staff recorded nil sickness during 2001.

Once again, the continued professionalism, goodwill, dedication and flexibility of the Staff has contributed greatly in enabling the Detail Department to utilise its resources effectively and efficiently during 2001.

However, our service is now at a point where additional staff must be recruited so that we may continue to carry out our core objectives and our commitment to the Islands Crime and Drug strategies. We are committed to providing a number of initiatives which are fundamental to our role within the community. These initiatives are labour-intensive and have an obligation for future training needs.

**N. WATKINS**

*Unit Manager - Staff Detail.*

## STAFF TRAINING REPORT 2001

Senior Unit Manager J Kennedy delivered the following training at HM Prison Jersey:-

January 22	-	March 21	Induction training for 6 officers from Jersey and 5 Officers from Isle of Man
May 07	-	May 20	Senior Unit Manager Kennedy attended the Scottish Prison Service for ECHR and Prison Rules research and awareness
November	-	December	ECHR awareness training for 60 staff

Unit Manager S. Davies attended a training course at Prison Service Training College for instruction in the 4 X 4 Intelligent Gathering System.

Officers M Langford and M Williams attended the Fire Service Training College, Reigate Surrey to qualify as Fire Safety Instructors.

Officer M. Langford attended Reigate Fire Service College for advanced instruction in Fire Safety Awareness.

Officer M. Langford delivered 4 hours refresher training to 60 officers in SDBA.

Control and Restraint Training (C & R).

Unit Manager A. Gouyet and Officer E. Mitchell, J. Querée and A. Coram underwent refresher training as instructors for 5 days in Guernsey.

Unit Managers N. Watkins and A. Gouyet and Officers E. Mitchell and A. Coram received advanced training in C & R at U.K. training centre at Bridlington.

**SENIOR UNIT MANAGER J. KENNEDY**

*Head of Training and Development.*

## PRISON MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT 2001

### The President and Members of the Board

Details of examinations and consultations on reception into Prison or by request in 2001 were as follows -

#### Reception Medical examinations

Male	264
Female	252
Y.O.I.	78
V.P.U.	65

#### Routine Reporting Sick Consultations

Male	835
Female	299
Y.O.I.	193
V.P.U.	369

#### Dental Treatments

Dental Clinic (General Hospital)	10	escorts
Outside Dental Surgery	19	escorts
Retained Dentist visiting HMP 41 Visits	357	treatments

#### Optician

Retained optician to HMP 5 visits	13	treatments
Outside Optician	4	escorts

#### Chiropodist

9 visits to HMP	17	treatments
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#### Physiotherapy

Physiotherapist to HMP (23 Visits)	68	treatments
Escorts to Physiotherapy Department at General Hospital	10	escorts

The list below details referrals by the Prison M.O. to the General Hospital and for examinations by a consultant.

C.T. Scan	1	Consultations
E.N.T.	15	“
Sports Injury Clinic	4	“
Dermatology Clinic	10	“
Eye Clinic	3	“
Fracture Clinic	20	“
Orthopaedic Clinic	29	“
Surgical Clinic	14	“
Pre Admission Clinic	4	“
Pain Clinic	4	“
Medical Clinic	7	“
Special Clinic	14	“
Clinical Investigations	4	“
X-Ray Department	30	“
Ultrasound	8	“
Diabetic Clinic	1	“
Prosthetic Clinic	2	“
Eye Clinic	4	“
A.&E. Department	31	“
Psychiatric Clinic	5	“
Laser Treatment (Bon Air)	3	“
Colcoscopy	6	“
Barium Meal	1	“
Neurology	4	“
Gynaecology	5	“
MRI Scan	3	“
Path Lab	4	“
Ante-Natal	2	“
Psychologist	1	“

Listed below are the admissions of inmates to the General Hospital

Admissions as day cases	25 patients	25 days
Admissions to General wards	16 patients	155 days

Day cases:	Dental operation		6	Inmates
	Epidural operation		4	“
	Removal of cyst		1	“
	Interferon Treatment		3	“
	Hand operation		1	“
	Nose operation		1	“
	Fractured jaw		1	“
	Manipulation anaesthetic	under	1	“
	Biopsy		3	“
	Nose operation		2	“
	Abdominal pain		2	“

General	Groin operation	1	Patient(s)	3	days
Wards	Psychiatric	3	“	107	“
	Dental operation	3	“	6	“
	Urine infection	1	“	7	“
	Self inflicted cut	1	“	2	“
	Colonoscopy	1	“	2	“
	Facial cyst	1	“	2	“
	Shoulder operation	1	“	2	“
	Overdose	1	“	4	“
	General observation	2	“	4	“
	Fractured lower leg	1	“	16	“

During 2001 the following detoxifications were carried out at H.M. Prison-

Detoxification from alcohol	62
Detoxification from opiates	26
Detoxification from benzodiazepines	14
Detoxification from a combination of opiates and benzodiazines	65

Dr. I. Muscat (Consultant Microbiologist) offers counselling and treatment to inmates who are H.I.V., Hepatitis“B” and Hepatitis “C” positive.

Dr. Muscat visited the prison on 12 occasions and carried out 57 consultations.

Total number of F2052SH forms raised 55

I again acknowledge my appreciation of the help given by the Governor and Prison Officers at all times, and particularly Hospital Officers - Messrs. C. Russell A. Bennett, A. Cowham and Mrs. J. Lowe for their considerable assistance and support throughout the year.

**DR. R.A.B. PERKINS**

*Prison Medical Officer.*

**PSYCHIATRIC REPORT FROM 1ST JANUARY -  
31ST DECEMBER 2001**

**Psychiatrist - Dr. F. Faiz**

Adult Male patients seen	19
Female patients seen	3
Vulnerable Persons Unit patients seen	6
Young Offenders seen	4
Total number of consultations for 2001	103
Total number of clients seen by Dr. Faiz	32

**Forensic Nurse (M. Warren and M. Saralis)**

Number of consultations	64
Number of clients	19

Helen Carter-Knox saw one inmate on 20 occasions.

Meditation Groups took place on 7 occasions - group of 9 inmates.

**Clinical Psychologist - I. Berry**

Number of consultations	37
Number of clients	16

**Samaritans**

Attend routinely every Monday and as required.  
One suicide awareness group meeting was held in 2001.

**CLIVE RUSSELL**

*Unit Manager, Health Care Department.*

## ALCOHOL AND DRUG SERVICE STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 2001

The Alcohol and Drug Service provide weekly pre-release counselling sessions; all inmates are offered follow-up care.

Naltexone (opiate blocker) is offered one week prior to discharge, again with the offer of follow up by the Alcohol and Drug Service.

Number of consultations	248
Number of clients	114

### **Drug Awareness courses were held in the following areas:**

Main wing convicted/remand/enhanced	3 courses
Female wing	1 course
VPU	1 course
YOI	1 course

Hepatitis vaccination was made available to inmates in 2001, 43 inmates have received this treatment.

**CLIVE RUSSELL**

*Unit Manager, Health Care Department.*

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION REPORT - 2001

### Staff

Mr. Coram	B.A.W.L.A. Coach/Gym Instructor/F.A. Coach
Mr. Mitchell	Physical Education Instructor
Mr. Goggin	Insitu. Sports and Games Course/F.A. Coach
Mr. Barnett	Gym Instructor and Insitu. Sports/Games Course
Mr. Milton	Gym Instructor and Insitu. Sports/Games Course
Mr. Townsend	Insitu. Sports and Games Course
Mr. Wilson-Brown	Insitu. Sports and Games Course

We would like to thank Mr. Goggin, who has replaced Mr. Mitchell, who has been on longterm sick leave. I am sure his enthusiasm and knowledge will only enhance the department.

There are several staff who cover P.E. sessions when regular staff are not available and I would like to thank them for their input throughout the year: Messrs. Langford, De Jesus, Aubert, Blake and Wood.

The Young Offenders Institution (Y.O.I.) have identified members of staff in their complement to assist with P.E. duties: Messrs. Kearney, Keenan and De Jesus have offered a full and varied programme at the Y.O.I. My thanks to them for their assistance throughout the year. My thanks also goes to Mr. Jackson, who has carried out the same on the Vulnerable Persons Unit (V.P.U.), generating interest throughout the whole wing. We also welcome Miss B. Gallacher who as well as putting sessions on for the female wing she has made herself available for other departments.

### Activities available

Football  
Weights  
Basketball  
Volleyball  
Handball  
Fitness Tests  
Softball  
Circuit Training  
Non-stop Cricket  
Long Ball  
Aerobics  
Yoga  
Power Lifting  
Spinning Classes  
Step Classes

### Facilities

Outdoor floodlit all-weather sports facility.

Weights Room (equipped with multi-gym, free standing weights, two treadmill machines, two computer bikes, one stepper and two rowing machines).

Indoor Gym (Y.O.I.) (restricted to daytime use for minor sports and small-sided games).

Outdoor tarmac yard (Y.O.I.) (marked for football, volleyball, tennis and lined around the perimeter for running).

Room at the female wing with aerobic steps, runner, stepper and rower.

Designated area at the V.P.U. consisting of limited weight training equipment.

### Future aims

For staff to be qualified in appropriate qualifications.

To offer inmates the opportunity to gain qualifications such as Community Sports Leaders Award (C.S.L.A.) course and distance learning courses and first aid.

To attract all sections of inmate and encourage variation throughout the programme.

To develop our links with Mont à L'Abbé School (Mr. Coram has built up a very good rapport with the school).

To encourage more female inmates to utilise the facilities.

To utilise outside agencies (facilities). To compensate for the lack of our own facilities.

To recruit new staff to become involved in the department to maintain freshness and enthusiasm.

To remove the unused recess area to create safe and appropriate space in the gym.

### **Summary**

The sport facility has proved a major asset since its introduction. It has enabled us to run a more organised timetable, but is still subject to severe inclement weather disruptions. We have been able to broaden the activities available, but due to seasonal activities an outside facility is not suitable in the winter. All areas of the prison with the exception of female wing are now using the sports facility. This year has seen a welcomed improvement in the amount of sessions run by the V.P.U. wing.

The weights room caters for up to 14 inmates and demand is regularly high. The amount of equipment assembled and the numbers involved will necessitate the removal of the unused recess. Alternatively relocating the gym would allow us to maintain safe practices.

Staff have use of all prison facilities in their break periods. In addition, there is now a designated area in the staff facility consisting of rower, runner, multi-gym and bike. This is becoming more and more popular. Two corporate memberships have been agreed with local health Centres. These are the Lido Fitness Centre and Physique 2000.

Five inmates in February passed their CSLA course with another six passing distance learning courses related to sport and leisure. Others are at present participating in such courses. I must pass on my gratitude to Mrs. Young, our civilian Yoga teacher, who gives her time for negligible remuneration. Not only does she teach, but also assists budding instructors in their pursuit of achieving certification. I believe Yoga is an important cog in the department.

I would like to pass on my thanks to all staff who have assisted throughout the year. I am sure all staff within the prison are aware of the importance of an active P.E. programme run by enthusiastic staff to assist in the smooth running of the establishment. My thanks to one and all.

**A. CORAM**

*Physical Education Instructor.*

**YOUNG OFFENDERS INSTITUTION  
A SUMMARY OF THE YEAR 2001**

**Statement of purpose**

The Young Offenders Institution will receive, keep and discharge young offenders under the best possible conditions, delivering a service which provides an environment of good order and discipline which is free from fear, with access to facilities for physical, mental and spiritual care.

Our objective is to establish a constructive and purposeful regime for young offenders, which will encourage them to address their offending behaviour. The staff will support them in achieving an agreed aim for creating and maintaining a safe and rehabilitative environment that caters for vocational, physical, educational and personal development.

We are committed to -

- treating trainees humanely, fairly and with respect;
- the elimination of bullying;
- equality regardless of race, beliefs or any other distinguishing factor;
- operating a personal officer scheme, which incorporates the provision of addressing offending behaviour through sentence planning;
- operating a privileges and incentive scheme to encourage good behaviour, a positive attitude to work and to help develop social skills;
- assisting the trainees to re-enter the community better equipped and less likely to re-offend.

## Current performance

### Education

The Young Offender Institution continued to incorporate education as part of its daily routine. During 2001 the following courses were achieved -

<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>NUMBER OF TRAINEES</b>	<b>TUTOR</b>
Offending Behaviour course X 2	13	Mrs. J. Tobler
Lifeskills - (Part course) -		
English	9	Mr. Cook/Mrs. Lakeman
Maths	5	Mrs. Lakeman
Computer Skills	4	Officer Keenan
NVQ Computer Qualification	8	Mr. Rhodes
Anger Management	8	Katie Dietrich/U/M. Bradbury
Drug Awareness (Remands)	10	U/M. Bradbury
Drug Awareness (Convicted)	8	Mr. Alborough
ETS	8	Katie Dietrich/Officer Zachariou
ACET class work	6	Mrs. De Oliveira
Woodwork NVQ	6	Mr. Slous
Anti-Bullying	21	U/M. Bradbury

### Individual Education

Mulholland - 'A' Level Biology  
Humphrys - Accountancy

## **Industry/Employment**

The Y.O.I. attempts to operate a full employment policy and seeks to offer work which is both challenging and developmental. The main industry used to be picnic and park benches, which were sold locally. Unfortunately we lost the use of our workshop early in the year.

The car valeting service continued and provided steady employment for those involved in it. The Public Services Department has provided us with extra valeting work in the form of tankers and several other small contracts were established. As this industry grew, the need for a covered area became more important and a rubbish shelter was purchased and plans have now been cleared for its construction.

## **Physical Education**

The Y.O.I. continued to offer as wide and a varied sports programme as possible. This is designed to educate trainees in varieties of sport, teamwork, nutrition and the benefits of a healthy life style.

Sports sessions in the year 2001 included -

- fitness tests;
- circuit training;
- volleyball;
- badminton;
- basketball;
- minor games;
- weight training;
- softball;
- long ball.

## **Regime**

Early in the year it became apparent that the incentive scheme needed updating and as a result the successful Grand Prix privileges and incentive scheme was developed. This was welcomed and enjoyed by the trainees and commended by the H.M. Inspectorate of Prisons as imaginative and fair, they recommended that it could be replicated in the U.K. mainland. Along with the Grand Prix privileges and incentive scheme we introduced a new and thorough introduction pack and an induction programme. The induction programme was designed to be a formal weekly introduction to the Young Offenders Unit but it became more practical for the personal officer or the wing manager to assure that each trainee would benefit from each of the subjects as early as possible on an individual basis.

The Personal Officer scheme on the wing continued to run and is available to all trainees. This year we have involved the probation service or our residential clinical psychologist when conducting an initial assessment, the probation service will receive a copy of the assessment and we will receive a copy of their social enquiry report. This should give a clearer picture of the trainee's background. Working together with the probation service in this way means that a sentence plan can be improved and extended to cover the supervised part of their sentence.

The cells this year were further refurbished and a daily cell inspection was introduced, as was an offensive material policy. This stopped such material being held in possession or displayed on walls.

Although there was little bullying going on in the young offenders unit because of its size and the fact that most of them were friends or associates outside of the establishment, it would have been naïve to believe that it did not exist. It was decided that we would develop an anti-bullying policy and that this would be a pilot for the rest of the prison. After some research the wing manager spent a week at H.M. Young Offenders Institution, Lancaster Farms, a Centre of excellence for their anti-bullying work. From there a comprehensive anti-bullying policy was produced and successfully put to use. This system will

now be introduced in 2002 on the main wing.

After an attempted suicide on the unit last year the wing manager took steps to improve staff awareness of the suicide awareness policy. This covered -

- managing attempted suicides or acts of self-harm;
- trainees that are most vulnerable;
- guidance for staff;
- useful questions to ask potential victims;
- how the F 2052SH works.

Overcrowding this year caused us problems and as a result an overcrowding contingency plan was formulated to avoid the problems of last year. In 2001 we utilised the living accommodation by accommodating two trainees in the single cells and used the double cell for three trainees. This avoided losing the recreational, educational and the kitchen facilities as we did last year.

**UNIT MANAGER P. BRADBURY**

*Young Offenders Institute.*

## **VULNERABLE PERSONS UNIT REPORT 2001**

2001 was particularly busy for the wing staff with more and more prisoners applying for segregation for a variety of reasons. On several occasions we had to create three segregation units due to problems between the different types of prisoners we were holding; this was not helped by having an ex-honorary policeman in on several charges of having sex with a minor.

Towards the latter part of the year the television room, which had been recently refurbished, was turned into a dormitory due to the overcrowding. Several attempts were made to ease the overcrowding by locating prisoners on C.I. landing, as part of the recommendation mentioned in the H.M.I. report.

On each of these occasions prisoners were only on the wing for very short periods of time, before they applied for segregation due to threats from other prisoners. On one occasion it resulted in a prisoner being assaulted and requiring hospital treatment.

Only one prisoner on segregation was successful in returning to the main wing.

### **Education**

Pat Best attended the V.P.U. three afternoons per week to assist prisoners with educational needs. Due to the lack of time involved it was agreed that only convicted prisoners would be assessed, and that Pat would deal with any learning difficulties as she felt it appropriate.

### **Gym**

This is still an ongoing problem. Due to the lack of space available, it was agreed by the P.E. department to give the V.P.U. set times to use the astro-turf for football, but this was suspended for approximately two months due to confrontation from the main wings, and during this period we used the Y.O.I.

I have plans ready to be submitted to build a gymnasium which would free up a bit of space on the wing where a pool table could be positioned.

The yard was cleaned up for a badminton court to be marked out, but this was put on hold due to health and safety reasons.

**UNIT MANAGER A. GOUYET**

*Vulnerable Persons Unit.*

## **FEMALES**

The Female Wing is a separate facility within La Moye which houses all female prisoners regardless of age and status. Up till 2001 it was supervised solely by female staff. However, overcrowding and staffing problems dictated that male officers be given wing duties. This move has resulted in more flexibility and less tension as the male officers are accepted by the population.

Various means were used to make the living areas more functional but it is acknowledged that without building there are severe restrictions.

Amongst developments were -

- redecoration of wing office and kitchen;
- installation of new dining furniture and worktops;
- conversion of locker room to property store;
- partial conversion of property store;
- slabbing of exercise yard.

Enhanced Thinking Skills and Drug Awareness Courses were held on the wing and proved popular and beneficial.

A part-time teacher assessed all inmates in literacy and numeracy and taught individually and in groups at established levels.

A number of female prisoners undertook distance learning courses and were supported by our teacher.

The Horticultural division of the Prison will, in 2002, provide work for several of the female population who are being instructed in watering, planting and general plant and crop management.

Work experience (outside of the prison for those deemed suitable) continued to flourish and is acknowledged as a major rehabilitative initiative.

2002 will see further developments in maximising accommodation. This includes the refurbishment of the dormitory to include wardrobes and curtains, the completion of conversion of the former property store into a computer room and the conversion of the Quiet cell into double accommodation.

It is planned to introduce an Enhanced Scheme which will tie in well with Sentence Planning and Work Experience.

Other proposed initiatives are -

- use of main weight room and main recreation room for sports sessions;
- the introduction of an anti-bullying strategy;
- a programme for visits by outside sports teams;
- sports instructor qualification for female staff.

**UNIT MANAGER D. MULLIN**

*Female Wing.*

## **PRISON CHAPLAIN'S REPORT 2001**

### **Pastoral care and practical help for inmates**

Our team has been extremely supportive to both the inmates and officers during the last year. A significant amount of time was spent in one-to-one visits to inmates who were in the segregation wing who had psychological and emotional problems. One inmate in particular demanded our time as and when he felt the need to call us, and a negative response to his request would create all kinds of problems for the staff, who were not adequately trained for the purpose of looking after extremely violent, volatile inmates with serious psychological disorders. This category of prisoner should not be housed at La Moye where there are inadequate facilities or qualified staff to care for them.

A similar situation exists in the female wing where a staff shortage and lack of training to deal with these problems means that stress levels of the staff who often have to work excessive amounts of overtime is having a detrimental effect on the health and well-being of the female staff.

Overcrowding in the Female Wing is a constant source of anxiety to both inmates and staff. This situation has been discussed many times and is acute, and urgently needs addressing.

The staff have to be commended for their constant vigilance, tolerance and ability to work through many difficult and complex situations.

### **Staff and inmates' morale at La Moye**

The morale amongst prison staff and inmates has never been lower during the time I have been chaplain. The high ratio of staff sickness brought on by stress has added to the urgency. These sentiments have also been reflected through the media in the 'letters to the editor' of the Jersey Evening Post, by inmates highlighting the numerous negative aspects of prison life. In spite of ongoing attention being drawn to these problems, little appears to be planned for the immediate future to alleviate these problems, which have been in existence for many years.

### **Prison Chapel**

As a result of the pressure through overcrowding at La Moye as well as the need for more recreational space, the chapel was taken over for recreational use. There is a small vestry/office adjoining the chapel, which is now used as a store cupboard by the prison. The pressure for these additional facilities has meant that the Chaplaincy Team has been forced out and has been unable to adequately carry out their ministerial duties to the inmates.

We do not have space available for Sunday Worship without causing a lot of inconvenience and effort to prepare the chapel, which permanently houses a pool and snooker table, dartboard and eight foot T.V. screen. These can't be physically moved, and the noise from the T.V. and inmates using the Chapel makes it impossible to use the adjoining office for interviews.

I consider the lack of any chaplaincy facilities as appalling, as a substantial amount of our ministry is not able to be done, and through no fault of our own, can be viewed as a dereliction of the chaplaincy duties to both inmates and staff.

This also means that the bulk of our work with the inmates is more practical than spiritual, which in some ways defeats the object to the team's reason for being there.

Having to speak to inmates on the landings or in the cells sitting on their bed for interviews, when visiting distressed or traumatized inmates going through bereavement, marital breakdown, or who are suicidal, is not very practical, and can also give the inmates the impression that we are not taking their needs seriously or providing proper pastoral care.

### **Alpha Course**

The Chaplaincy Team ran a very successful Alpha course for three months. The course is an introduction to the Christian Faith. We had, on average, 13 inmates joining us each week on a Monday evening from 6.30 to 8.00 p.m.

This made a significant contribution to the quality of the inmates' lives and a number have requested that we run future courses.

Problems encountered with the course -

When we arrived at La Moye at 6.00 p.m. we did not know where we would be meeting as there was no space regularly

allocated to us. We usually ended up in the canteen, which is unsuitable for worship or discussion activity.

Because of the lack of any kind of dedicated space for our meetings, preparations became arduous as we had to carry heavy equipment i.e. T.V. and video etc., from the other end of the prison as we have no office or storage facilities, or equipment of our own; because of this, it could take up to one hour to prepare for the meetings. We were fortunate in that we had an enthusiastic team, but it did mean that much of the value of what we were doing was lost in the preparation.

### **Sunday Worship**

Sunday Worship has not taken place on a regular basis for some considerable time, because of the lack of adequate facilities. The chapel is used for recreational purposes on Saturday evenings and is impossible to be cleaned and ready for Sunday worship. We have not found any alternative space adequate for our needs; hence there has been little opportunity for Sunday worship.

### **Chapel requirements**

I have been the official Chaplain at La Moye for many years and during this period have been constantly frustrated at the lack of any purposeful, space for worship or office for private consultations, interviews or counselling.

Our Chaplaincy Team is frustrated by not being able to perform their duties with the dignity their responsibility deserves, which must come across to the inmates as an uncaring and casual attitude to their pastoral needs, that we don't take our ministry seriously, or that the authorities see our work as low on their priority list and insignificant.

One way of providing an instant temporary solution would be to place a temporary port-a-cabin in the grounds of the prison, which could be used as a chapel with office facilities. This would also facilitate its use by inmates from all sections of the prison, which has never been possible during the history of La Moye.

This is an extremely negative report which unfortunately will be repeated until the existing problems have been addressed, and although my chaplaincy team are prepared and willing to give of their best for both inmates and officers, they can only provide a service limited to the facilities available to them which at present do not exist.

This is a very serious omission in the prisons facilities to the inmates who are being deprived of their right to have Chapel services, as well as adequate counselling provision. This is an injustice to them, which needs to be addressed at the earliest convenience.

The Chaplaincy Team Members are -

Captain John Le Page (Official Chaplain)

Sister Hilary Brown (Roman Catholic)

Mr. David Evans (St. Paul's Centre)

Mrs. Christine Hansford (Communicare Church Centre)

**CAPTAIN JOHN H. LE PAGE, C.A., M.B.E.**

*Prison Chaplain.*