



Request

I am looking to find out as much detail and information as possible on the elderly prison population. I was advised to contact local authorities after submitting the same FOI to the Ministry of Justice and the HM Prisons and Probations Service.

Using the HMPPS guidance, an older inmate is categorised as someone aged 50 or above. Please provide all requested data about older inmates only.

Please break down the data by calendar year (i.e. 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023), by cost and by treatment/device/syndrome where possible. Specifically, my requests are as follows:

By year, how much money has been spent on assistive devices in HMP & YOI Hindley for older inmates, beginning with the year 2018 and ending with 2023?

Examples may include but are not limited to: wheelchairs; mobility scooters; walkers; stair assists; hearing aids; shoe horns; automatic pill dispensers; fall alarms; canes; prosthetic devices designed to replace a missing body part; visual aids like glasses; incontinence products like adult pads, pull-up pants, and catheters; dental prostheses like false teeth; inhalers; orthotic devices that prevent the worsening of arthritic diseases; etc.

Response

The Local Authority has provisions in place to ensure it can meet its statutory responsibilities into prisons in relation to adult social care. The examples you give predominantly relate to health responsibilities and as such no expenditure has been incurred by the Council in relation to these.