

No One Knows

offenders with learning difficulties and learning disabilities

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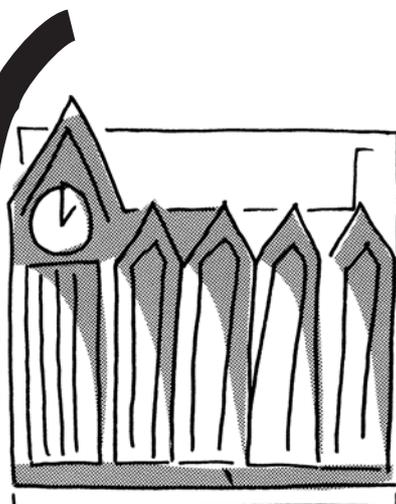
The Prison Reform Trust works to help people who are in prison. We believe that people in prison should be treated with respect, (kindly) and that prisoners should be helped so that they do not go back to prison.



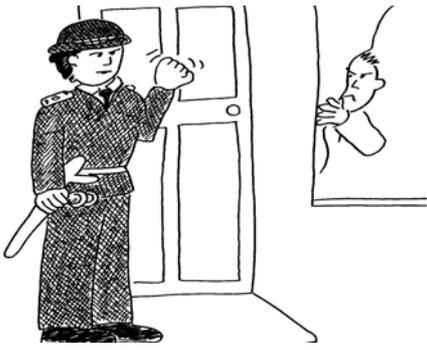
The Prison Reform Trust finds out what people think about prison and tells the government ways in which it can do things better.

Sometimes the government listens, sometimes it does not.

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The Prison Reform Trust is independent. That means we do not work for the government. We can make decisions for ourselves. We think it is important that we are independent.

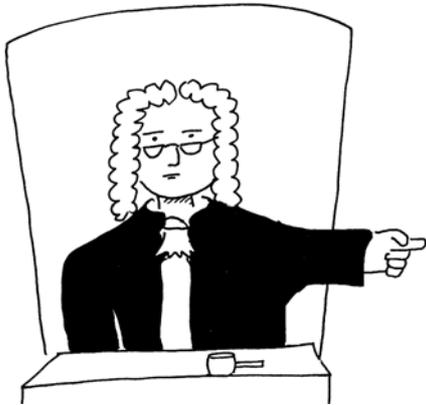


The Prison Reform Trust is working on a new project. The project is called *No One Knows*.

It is about what happens to people with learning difficulties when they get into trouble with the police.



Going to a police station can be very upsetting. Some people find it hard to understand what is happening.



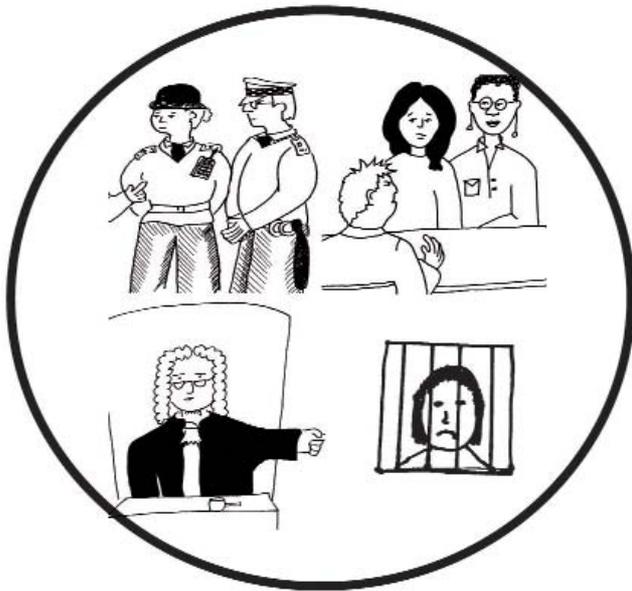
Sometimes people with a learning difficulty have to go to court.



Sometimes they are sent to prison.



Sometimes they have to see a probation officer.
Young people with a learning difficulty might have to go to a youth offending team.



When people talk about the police, courts, prison, probation and youth offending sometimes they call it the criminal justice system.



People who work in the criminal justice system do not always know how to support people with a learning difficulty.

We want to know what people with a learning difficulty, who have been in trouble with the police, think about this.

We want to know what people who work in the criminal justice system think as well.

The *No One Knows* project will last until 2008.

At the end of the project we will write a report.

The report will be about what people have told us about their experiences.

The report will tell the government what they should do to make things better for people with learning difficulties who get into trouble with the police.

No One Knows is supported by a group of people with learning difficulties.

The group is called the Working for Justice Group.

Thank you to everyone who helped us to make this leaflet

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- Pictures from Change and People First

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