Site

HMP Thorn Cross

Name of project / initiative

Thorn Cross Farm Shop project

Overview

The farm shop is a community initiative, run by the men. Fruit, vegetables and eggs produced in the grounds are sold through the shop to prisoners and staff. The shop promotes healthier eating, and the men are able to collectively prepare meals – in slow cookers – using produce purchased from it. All profits are re-invested in the project.

Longevity

Since 2019

Benefits

The shop promotes healthier eating and a more varied and interesting diet for the men, helps foster community-cohesion and engagement through collective cooking and eating, and provides purposeful activities and learning opportunities to those involved.

Uniqueness

One of a small number of farm shops across the estate – but we think it's an especially good example!

Applicability

The idea could be rolled out widely across the estate.

Requirements

Facilities and grounds to grow fruit and vegetables, and rear chickens for eggs.

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