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Lecture



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The High Sheriff of Greater London Mr Kevin McGrath
invites you to PET's annual lecture and panel discussion:



using time, not just doing time:
A constructive and humane regime
for long sentenced prisoners

Given by

**Michael Spurr, CB, Chief Executive
National Offender Management Service**
Monday 17th November 2014

At

Clifford Chance LLP
10 Upper Bank Street · Canary Wharf · E14 5JJ
6.00pm for 6.30pm · Wine reception to follow
Booking required · Donations welcome

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**C L I F F O R D
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In September Prisoners' Education Trust released our report *Brain Cells: Listening to prisoner learners (third edition)*. The report is based on the responses of prisoner learners to our bi-annual survey in prison newspaper Inside Time. It offers a rare insight into prisoners' views on education and finds that learning in prison could and should do more to help prisoners progress beyond basic skills.

The report outlines ten recommendations for prisons and policymakers better to meet the needs of all learners, which in turn will make them less likely to commit crime in the future. The largest group of respondents (30%) are people serving life and indeterminate sentences (IPP), and for longer-sentenced prisoners the report argues that a strategy be developed and time restrictions should be lifted so all prisoners can make study an important way of using their time constructively throughout their sentence.

This lecture and panel discussion will examine particularly the challenges faced by long-sentenced prisoners who wish to continue their learning and use their time inside effectively. Michael Spurr, Chief Executive of the National Offender Management Service, will be joined by a panel including a PET Alumnus and PET's Chief Executive, Rod Clark.

our principal speaker



Michael Spurr CB

Michael Spurr is currently the Chief Executive of the National Offender Management Service Agency.

Michael joined the Civil Service as a Prison Officer at HMP Leeds in 1983 and worked in the Prison Service for 25 years at various establishments and at Headquarters. He was a Governing Governor at HMYOI Aylesbury, HMP Wayland and HMP/YOI Norwich.

Michael joined the HMPS Agency Board as Director of Operations in 2003 becoming Deputy Director General in 2007.

In April 2008, Michael was appointed as the Chief Operating Officer in the newly formed NOMS Agency, taking responsibility for the operational management of Probation and Prisons, leading the work to improve 'joined-up working' and to create Probation Trusts. He became Chief Executive in June 2010.

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Prisoners' Education Trust aims to ensure all prisoners have the opportunity to benefit from education. We provide access to distance learning courses, and provide advice and guidance as to how distance learning can help an individual meet their educational aims and career aspirations. In the face of on-going change within the prison system, we also champion education in its broadest sense for prisoners, influencing change in both policy and practice.

With access to education, prisoners develop their self-confidence and self-esteem, and build skills and knowledge to help them make a positive contribution to the prison community and to society on release; our work is proven by the Ministry of Justice to reduce reoffending. Donations given to PET will help us continue this important work, changing lives and reshaping our communities for the better.

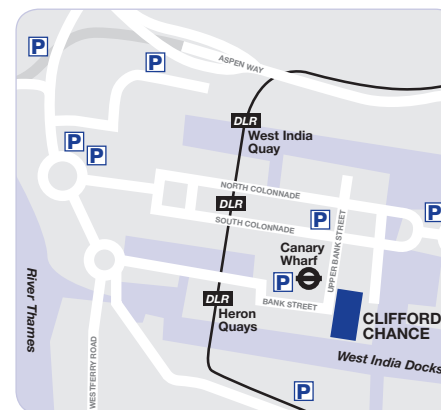
"I feel that the learning needs of prisoners here are limited because of the short courses done here. If you are 18 and just been sentenced to a long time you could complete all the courses before you are 20."

Respondent to the Inside Time survey

"I feel that studying for a degree has been the one constant positive area through my life sentence and wish to thank PET for its contribution and help"

Sam, awarded a BA (Hons) in Law

The Venue



The lecture will be held at Clifford Chance LLP in Canary Wharf. PET is sincerely grateful for the generous support of Clifford Chance, which has helped PET in so many ways. The offices can be easily reached by public transport – the Jubilee Line to Canary Wharf station takes 10-15 minutes from central London. At the station, take the Upper Bank Street exit, and the offices are across the road from the station. Public car parks are shown on the map. There is no parking at Clifford Chance.