

**ADVISORY NOTE FOR
MINISTER OF JUSTICE**

SUBJECT Potential Closure of Dauphin Correctional Centre (DCC)

ISSUE Accommodation Services Division (ASD) is presenting options regarding the Dauphin Court House. Given that DCC is contained within the same building, the decision made will affect the Correctional Centre.

BACKGROUND DCC was built in 1917 as part of the courthouse complex. It was originally conceived as a small local jail and has a current rated capacity of 61 beds. The facility houses mainly sentenced and remanded adult males and a small number of remanded adult females and youth. The facility has historically been chronically overcrowded, with average counts reaching as high as 85 inmates.

The average count in this fiscal year to date is 64 inmates. The count on March 11, 2019 was 58 inmates. There are currently 71 staff in the Correctional Officer category working at DCC with an additional 9 staff (nursing and administrative) assigned to the facility for a total of 80 staff.

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the design does not address today's correctional standards or principles. 23(1)(a)

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The facility is at the end of its lifespan and is ill suited as a modern correctional facility. 23(1)(a)(c)(d)(f)

The number of adult inmates being held in custody in Manitoba has declined for the past 2 years. In 2016/17, the provincial count was 2454, in 2017/18 it dropped to 2400 and in this fiscal year to date the average count is 2110.

ANALYSIS

The Department is proposing the closure of DCC. While the count at DCC exceeds the rated capacity of 61 inmates, other custody centres could absorb these inmates 23(1)(a). Most of the inmates at DCC are low security and housed in dorms. 23(1)(a), 26 the entire facility is at end of life. 23(1)(a)

Staff who are working at DCC would be offered relocation 23(1)(a)

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