

Gaols Department

1944 – 1959

Details

The Gaols Department replaced the HM Gaols Department in 1944. It had oversight of the inmates of the Police Watch House in Launceston and other local gaols and ran Campbell Street Gaol in Hobart. In 1959, it became the Prisons Department.

Although the Gaols Department had oversight of the inmates at the Police Watch House in Launceston and in other local gaols around Tasmania, the Police Department ran them. Some of those inmates were under the age of 18.

More info

Chronology

- Sherriff and Gaols Department, Colony of Tasmania (1824 - 1901)
 - Sherriff and Gaols Department, State of Tasmania (1901 - 1924)
 - HM Gaols Department (1936 - 1944)
- **Gaols Department (1944 – 1959)**
 - Prisons Department (1959 - 1983)
 - Law Department, State of Tasmania (1983 - c. 1992)
 - Department of Justice, State of Tasmania (c. 1992 - 1998)
 - Department of Justice and Industrial Relations, State of Tasmania (1998 - c. 2004)
 - Department of Justice, State of Tasmania (c. 2004 - current)

Related Entries

Ran

- [Campbell Street Gaol \(1821 - 1960\)](#)

Related Organisations

- [Police Department, State of Tasmania \(1898 - 2004\)](#)

The Police Department ran the Police Watch House at Launceston but the Gaols Department had oversight of the inmates.
- [Launceston Police Watch House \(1917 - 1976\)](#)