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Presented to the Minister for Justice and Equality pursuant to
Part 5 of the Prisons Act 2007

Judge Michael Reilly
Inspector of Prisons

1 April 2016

Preface

The deceased was a 41 year old man from the Dublin area.

He is survived by his parents, son, siblings and extended family.

I did not meet members of the deceased's family but wish to offer my condolences to all members of his family.

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Inspector of Prisons Investigation Report

General Information

1. The deceased was a 41 year old man from the Dublin area.
2. The deceased was committed to prison on 5 December 2007. He was committed to Castlerea Prison but served time in Mountjoy Prison, Midlands Prison, Shelton Abbey and Cork Prison. His remission date was to be 15 June 2015.
3. The deceased was approved full temporary release from Cork Prison on 26 May 2015.

Status of the deceased while in Prison

4. The deceased was an enhanced prisoner in Cork Prison and secured a transfer to Shelton Abbey Open prison on 25 August 2014. At his own request he returned to Cork Prison on 15 February, 2015, and as is normal practice was then placed on the standard regime level on his return. He worked in the prison until he was given full temporary release on 26 May 2015.
5. The deceased had engaged with the Red Cross and was a 'Listener' for other prisoners. He engaged with education and had a keen interest in computers. He also completed CPR Training and completed an industrial cleaning City and Guilds Course. The deceased was well thought of by prison staff and participated in a number of initiatives within the prison including the Prison Choir.

Relevant Events while on full temporary release.

6. The deceased was approved full temporary release by the Irish Prisons Service on 26 May 2015 with a number of conditions attaching.
7. The deceased was released to the organisation TRAIL on 26 May 2015. He was to reside at an agreed apartment in Dublin. TRAIL confirmed on 2 June 2015 that the deceased was engaging and linking in well with the service.
8. The deceased attended a pre arranged meeting with the Probation Service on 5 June 2015 where it was noted that he *“presented well at interview and fully engaged with his Probation Officer”*. He was given a further appointment for 15 June 2015.
9. On 6 June 2015 the deceased was found by his mother, at her home, in an unresponsive state. He was brought to the Accident and Emergency Unit of the Mater Hospital where he was pronounced dead shortly after.
10. The cause of death is a matter for the Coroner.

Findings

11. The release of the deceased on full temporary release was appropriate having regard to the matters considered prior to his release as outlined in this report.
12. I am satisfied that there are no further issues which I should investigate.