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surrounding the death of Prisoner D  
On 1<sup>st</sup> February 2012  
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Presented to the Minister for Justice and Equality pursuant to  
Part 5 of the Prisons Act 2007

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Inspector of Prisons

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## **Preface**

Prisoner D was a 36 year old man who met a violent death on the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2012 while on temporary release.

I offer my sincere condolences to the deceased's family.

There are no matters of concern disclosed in this Report.

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Judge Michael Reilly

Inspector of Prisons

29<sup>th</sup> October 2013

## **Inspector of Prisons investigation report**

### **General information**

1. The deceased was aged 36 years at the time of his untimely death. He came from the Dublin area. He was committed to prison on the 5<sup>th</sup> February 2008. His release date was to be the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2012.
2. On the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2011 the deceased was transferred from The Training Unit to Shelton Abbey Open Centre.
3. On the 21<sup>st</sup> October 2011 the deceased was granted Reviewable Temporary Release.
4. On the 1<sup>st</sup> February 2012 the deceased met a violent death in a licensed premises in the Dublin area.
5. Following the death of the deceased a criminal investigation was initiated by An Garda Síochána.
6. I did not interview any members of the deceased's family as I did not consider this necessary in view of the facts disclosed in this Report.

### **Circumstances of temporary release**

7. While in prison the deceased engaged fully with the therapeutic services which included the completion of a drug treatment programme and extensive engagement with the psychology service.
8. In view of his positive engagement with the therapeutic services and his record in the prison he was assessed and deemed suitable for transfer to an open centre. On the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2011 he was transferred to Shelton Abbey Open Centre.

9. Following a comprehensive assessment the deceased was released from Shelton Abbey on the 21<sup>st</sup> October 2011 on temporary release.
10. Under the terms of his temporary release the deceased was obliged to, *inter alia*, reside at a given address, sign on at a given Garda Station daily and sign on at Mountjoy Prison weekly.
11. The deceased was also obliged to remain under the supervision of the Probation Service for a period of 12 months from the date of his release and to obey all lawful commands and directions of the Probation Service and attend for all appointments.
12. The Irish Prison Service, An Garda Síochána and the Probation Service have confirmed that the deceased complied with all of the terms of his temporary release between the 21<sup>st</sup> October 2011 and the date of his death – 1<sup>st</sup> February 2012.

### **Findings**

13. I am satisfied that when granted temporary release the Irish Prison Service had adopted best practice in that the deceased was linked in with all appropriate services.
14. I am satisfied that up to the date of his death the deceased complied with all conditions of his temporary release.
15. I am satisfied that the criminal investigation and the Coroner's investigation are the appropriate investigations in this particular case.
16. I am satisfied that there are no further issues of concern which I should investigate.