

## Action Plan in response to the PPO Report into the death of Mr Christopher Stephens on 15 April 2024 at HMP Guys Marsh

| Rec No | Recommendation                                                                                                                                                                                     | Accepted / Not accepted | Response Action Taken / Planned                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Responsible Owner and Organisation | Target Date |
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| 1      | The Governor should ensure that staff are aware that heavy snoring and/or being in a deep sleep can be a sign of unconsciousness and drug overdose and conduct appropriate checks on the prisoner. | Accepted                | <p>The Head of Safety at HMP Guys Marsh has confirmed that awareness sessions have been delivered to staff addressing the signs of a drug overdose, including how heavy snoring and/or being in a deep sleep can be a sign of this.</p> <p>Monthly assurance checks have been implemented to ensure that staff responsible for completing welfare checks have the relevant knowledge and understanding around how to effectively carry out a welfare check, including what to look out for. This assurance check is recorded within the monthly safety meeting.</p> | Head of Safety, HMPPS              | Completed   |
| 2      | The Governor should introduce a robust quality assurance process to ensure that staff record significant contact with prisoners and follow the self-isolation policy.                              | Accepted                | <p>Weekly reminders are now circulated to staff to ensure self-isolators have a case note documented. These are quality assured daily by the safety team.</p> <p>The Safety Custodial Manager now completes a fortnightly self-isolator management check to</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Head of Safety, HMPPS              | Completed   |

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|  |  |  | ensure self-isolators are having access to fresh air, kit and applications on a regular basis. |  |  |
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