Prisons & Probation Ombudsman
Independent Investigations

Independent investigation into the death of Mr Bryn Tomaz-Daniels, a prisoner at HMP Warren Hill, on 5 February 2025

A report by the Prisons and Probation Ombudsman

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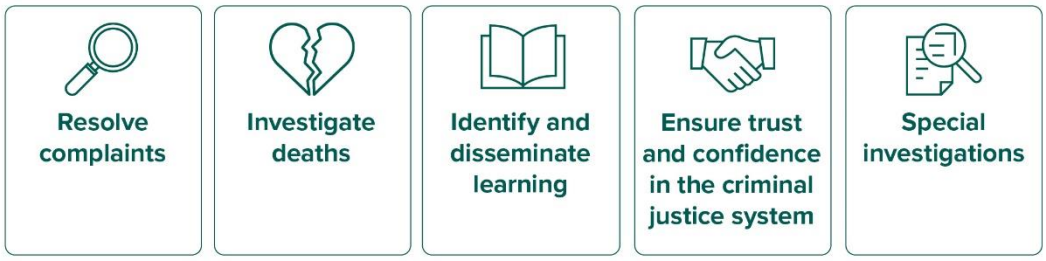
OUR VISION

To deliver high quality and timely independent investigations and work closely with partners to achieve tangible benefits for the safety and confidence of those in custody and under community supervision.

WHAT WE DO



WHAT WE VALUE

1. The Prisons and Probation Ombudsman aims to make a significant contribution to safer, fairer custody and community supervision. One of the most important ways in which we work towards that aim is by carrying out independent investigations into deaths, due to any cause, of prisoners, young people in detention, residents of approved premises and detainees in immigration centres.

2. If my office is to best assist His Majesty's Prison and Probation Service (HMPPS) in ensuring the standard of care received by those within service remit is appropriate, our recommendations should be focused, evidenced and viable. This is especially the case if there is evidence of systemic failure.

3. In May 2011, Mr Bryn Tomaz-Daniels (formerly known as Brian Maddock) was sentenced to life in prison for murder. He died in a hospice of lung cancer on 5 February 2025, while a prisoner at HMP Warren Hill. He was 54 years old. We offer our condolences to those who knew him.

4. The prison was unable to trace a next of kin for Mr Tomaz-Daniels so the Ombudsman's office did not contact anyone about the investigation into his death.

5. NHS England commissioned an independent clinical reviewer to review Mr Tomaz-Daniels' clinical care at Warren Hill.

6. The clinical reviewer concluded that the clinical care Mr Tomaz-Daniels received at Warren Hill was of a good standard and equivalent to that which he could have expected to receive in the community. He made no recommendations.

7. The PPO investigator investigated the non-clinical issues relating to Mr Tomaz-Daniels' care.

8. We did not find any non-clinical issues of concern. We make no recommendations.

9. We shared our initial report with HMPPS and the prison's healthcare provider, Practice Plus Group. They found no factual inaccuracies.

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Inquest

At the inquest, held on 17 October 2025, the Coroner concluded that Mr Tomaz-Daniels died from natural causes.

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