

Action Plan – Mr Alan Hodgson at HMP Garth – AFI on 30/11/2019

No	Recommendation	Accepted/ Not Accepted	Response	Target date for completion and function responsible
1	The Governor of Woodhill should evaluate the effectiveness of the prison's local drug strategy and identify areas of need and intervention.	Accepted	<p>A newly drafted local Drug Strategy document is currently with the Governor for ratification. The monthly meetings held to discuss the Drug Strategy with key stakeholders, including CNWL, the drug treatment team, have been utilised to inform the updated strategy and will continue to consider local emerging issues going forward.</p> <p>The prison have also introduced an action plan in line with national recommendations and overseen by the Head of Operations that identifies local priorities and those who have responsibility for ensuring that these are addressed. The action plan will also ensure that interventions are kept under review by relevant partners in line with individual needs.</p>	Head of Operations. June 2020
2	<p>The Governor of Garth should ensure that all staff are made aware of and understand PSI 03/2013 and their responsibilities during medical emergencies, including that staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • enter a cell immediately when necessary to preserve life, subject to conducting a dynamic risk assessment; and • promptly use an emergency code to effectively communicate the nature of the emergency. 	Accepted	<p>New members of staff are now reminded during their induction about the need to enter a cell as quickly as possible in circumstances where there is a potentially life threatening situation and that staff may enter a cell on their own subject to a dynamic risk assessment being undertaken and subject to calling for assistance, via the radio, giving their exact location. The need to call the correct medical response code (Code Red, Code Blue) is also reiterated. Additionally in May 2020, Notices to Staff were republished reminding all staff of these requirements.</p> <p>A further Governor's Order was published in May 2020 relating to the opening of cells during patrol state in accordance with the Local Security Strategy, providing staff with clear guidance on the actions they must take when there is or appears to be an immediate threat to life.</p>	Head Of Safer Prisons & Equalities Completed

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			<p>Emergency Response in Custody information is frequently re-published to staff on a rolling programme. This provides clear instructions about the responsibilities of staff in the event of a medical emergency and that if they are unsure, then they should call a code. There is also a display at the gate which provides information on what constitutes a Code Red or Code Blue and the urgent actions that must be taken to ensure that the control room are made aware that an ambulance is required. Intermittent management checks are also carried out to ensure compliance with these instructions.</p> <p>All Governor's Orders and Staff Notices are published via email, however, as an additional measure these are also printed and handed to the Supervising Officers on a weekly basis, with a folder containing a hard copy kept in each wing office. Supervising Officers are asked to give assurance that they are providing briefings to staff to ensure those who do not have daily access to a computer are made aware of any information that has been disseminated.</p>	