

# Action Plan in response to the PPO Report into the death of Mr Peter Vernon on 19/02/2021 at HMP Dovegate

Rec No	Recommendation	Accepted / Not accepted	Response Action Taken / Planned	Responsible Owner and Organisation	Target Date
1	<p>The Director and Head of Healthcare should ensure that all staff undertaking risk assessments for prisoners taken to hospital understand the legal position on the use of restraints and that, in all cases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>healthcare staff complete the medical information section of the escort risk assessment to say whether the prisoner's current medical condition affects their mobility and risk of escape; and</li> <li>authorising managers show that they have taken this information into account when assessing a prisoner's current level of risk.</li> </ul>	Accepted	<p>All escort risk assessment paperwork has been reviewed against these findings and the following actions were implemented in August 2021:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The medical assessment section is to be adjusted to include the job title of the medical professional;</li> <li>Additional question in the medical assessment section to confirm whether SystemOne has been reviewed and commentary if required; and</li> <li>The security assessment questions will be re-arranged to aid flow, and to emphasise the importance of any mobility issues when completing the risk assessment.</li> </ul>	Assistant Director for Safety & Assistant Director for Security	Complete



2	The Director should share this report with the manager who authorised the use of double cuffs and discuss the Ombudsman's findings with her.	Accepted	The report was shared with the manager who authorised the use of double cuffs and discussed on 13/07/2021.	Assistant Director Safety & Assistant Director	Complete
3	The Executive Director of Custodial Contracts should write personally to the Ombudsman explaining what he is doing to ensure that effective action is taken on the inappropriate use of restraints at HMP Dovegate.	Accepted	A letter from the Executive Director has been sent to the Ombudsman on 4 October 2021.	Executive Director	Complete

