

Action Plan – Mr Robert Kavanagh at HMP Stoke Heath – Natural Cause on 06/01/2021

No	Recommendation	Accepted/Not Accepted	Response	Target date for completion and function responsible
1	The Governor should ensure that staff do not double cuff category C prisoners unless the individual risk assessment indicates that double cuffing is required and proportionate.	Accepted	Head of Operations will review current guidance for COVID-19 cuffing arrangements and risk assessments to reflect the need for double cuffing when indicated and based on individual risk assessments only.	November 2021 Head of Operations
2	<p>The Governor 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"> • 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 • authorising managers show that they have taken this information into account when assessing a prisoner's current level of risk. 	Accepted	<p>Head of Operations was reminded in August 2021 to ensure that a fully completed risk assessment is made and recorded within 24 hours.</p> <p>Healthcare Manager has shared with all healthcare staff to ensure they know to provide medical input to the assessment, with information about the prisoner's health and mobility.</p> <p>All authorising managers will record the full reasons for their decision including taking account of health input in their final decision (per Graham Judgment).</p>	Complete Head of Operations
3	The Governor should share this report with the authorising manager and discuss the Ombudsman's findings with him.	Accepted	The Ombudsman's report will be shared and discussed once the final report is received.	December 2021 Governor