



PPO ACTION PLAN:

Offender Name	Stephen BOTTOMLEY
Approved Premises	Wordsworth House
Date of Death	15/09/2020
Date of Action Plan	15/03/2021

Recommendation	Accepted / Not accepted	Response	Target date for completion and function responsible	Progress reporting
The National Probation Service should review its strategy to reduce the supply and demand for PS in Approved Premises, including developing mechanisms to test for PS use.	Accepted	Work continues developing and implementing the wider HMPPS strategy. This work includes seeking a Private Members Bill to seek legislation change to enable Approved Premises to move to urine testing which increases ability to test for a wider range of substances. Once available, the National Approved Premises Team will work to ensure this is implemented in all Approved Premises.	National Approved Premises Team March 2022	
The National Probation Service should ensure that AP staff report any suspicions of substance misuse to the resident's offender manager.	Accepted	Closer collaboration with offender management is ongoing with positive links to the local probation delivery units. Staff have been directed to feedback observation on behaviours to Offender Managers.	National Approved Premises Team Completed and ongoing	

<p>The National Probation Service should ensure that AP staff carry out room searches when they suspect that alcohol or illicit drugs are present within the AP.</p>	<p>Accepted</p>	<p>Room searching guidance and processes were updated and shared in December 2020. Room searches will be reviewed as part of the Safer Working Practices review that is currently ongoing. There is also a Room Searching video being developed by the Safety and Security Team to further staff understanding.</p>	<p>National Approved Premises Team</p> <p>Completed and ongoing</p>	
<p>The AP Manager should share this report with the interventions facilitator and both residential workers and discuss the Ombudsman's findings with them.</p>	<p>Accepted</p>	<p>The Approved Premises Manager will be informed of this recommendation and the National Approved Premises Team will seek assurance that this is completed.</p>	<p>30th April 2021</p>	