

**Nursing and Midwifery Council
Fitness to Practise Committee**

**Interim Order Review Hearing
Thursday, 4 September 2025**

Virtual Hearing

Name of Registrant:	Stewart Alexander Worton
NMC PIN:	88Y0361S
Part(s) of the register:	Registered Nurse – Sub Part 1 Mental Health Nursing – (May 1998) Registered Nurse – Sub Part 2 General Nursing – (June 1990)
Relevant Location:	Fife
Panel members:	Peter Fish (Chair, Lay member) Louise Emmett (Registrant member) Catherine Beckett (Lay member)
Legal Assessor:	Ashraf Khan
Hearings Coordinator:	Monowara Begum
Nursing and Midwifery Council:	Represented by Michael Smalley, Case Presenter
Mr Worton:	Not present and not represented at the hearing
Interim order to be reviewed:	Interim conditions of practice order (18 months)
Outcome of review:	Interim conditions of practice order replaced with interim suspension order

Decision and reasons on interim order

The panel decided to replace the current interim conditions of practice order with an interim suspension order.

Unless there has been a material change of circumstances, a reviewing panel will review the interim suspension order at an administrative meeting within the next six months. A reviewing panel will be invited by the NMC to confirm the interim suspension order at this meeting and Mr Worton will be notified of that panel's decision in writing following that meeting.

Alternatively, Mr Worton is entitled to have the interim suspension order reviewed at a hearing. This means that Mr Worton will be able to attend and make representations, send a representative on Mr Worton's behalf or submit written representations about whether the interim order continues to be necessary. Mr Worton must inform his case officer if he would like the interim suspension order to be reviewed at a hearing.

Even if Mr Worton does not request a hearing, where there has been a material change of circumstances that might mean that the interim suspension order should be revoked or replaced, a reviewing panel will review the interim suspension order at a hearing which Mr Worton and his representative will be invited to attend.

Mr Worton should notify the NMC immediately of any material change of circumstances that may affect the interim order.

At any time, Mr Worton or the NMC may ask for the interim order to be reviewed by a panel if any relevant new information becomes available.

A panel of the Fitness to Practise Committee has still to deal with the allegations made against Mr Worton. The NMC will keep Mr Worton informed of developments in relation to that issue.

This will be confirmed to Mr Worton in writing.

That concludes this determination.