

**Nursing and Midwifery Council  
Investigating Committee**

**Interim Order Review Meeting  
Tuesday, 17 February 2026**

Virtual Hearing

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| <b>Name of Registrant:</b>           | <b>Patrick Townsend</b>   |
| <b>NMC PIN:</b>                      | 11C0994E  |
| <b>Part(s) of the register:</b>      | Registered Nurse – Sub Part 1<br>Mental Health Nursing (Level 1) – 9 March<br>2011                  |
| <b>Relevant Location:</b>            | Norfolk   |
| <b>Panel members:</b>                | Jill Robinson (Chair, Registrant member)<br>Leon Jacobs (Lay member)<br>Sarah McAnulty (Lay member) |
| <b>Hearings Coordinator:</b>         | John Kennedy  |
| <b>Interim order to be reviewed:</b> | Interim suspension order (18 months)  |
| <b>Outcome of review:</b>            | <b>Interim suspension order confirmed</b>   |

## **Decision and reasons on interim order**

The panel decided to confirm the current interim suspension order.

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

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

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

This decision will be confirmed to Mr Townsend in writing.

That concludes this determination.