

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

**Interim Order Review Meeting
Monday, 27 July 2026**

Virtual Meeting

Name of Registrant:	Patrick Townsend
NMC PIN:	11C0994E
Part(s) of the register:	Registered Nurse – Sub Part 1 Mental Health Nursing (Level 1) – 9 March 2011
Relevant Location:	Norfolk
Panel members:	Susan Thomas (Chair, Lay member) Cerys Jones (Lay member) Jennifer Anne Childs (Registrant member)
Hearings Coordinator:	Margia Patwary
Interim order to be reviewed:	Interim suspension order (18 months)
Outcome of review:	Interim suspension order confirmed

Decision and reasons on interim order

The panel decided to confirm the current interim suspension order.

Unless Mr Townsend's case has already been concluded or there has been a material change of circumstances, a panel will review the interim suspension order at a review meeting within the next six months and every six months thereafter. A panel will be invited by the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) to confirm the interim suspension order at this meeting and Mr Townsend will be notified of the panel's decision in writing following that meeting.

Where there has been a material change of circumstances that might mean that the order should be revoked or replaced, or there has been a request for an early review, a panel will review the interim order at a hearing which Mr Townsend will be invited to attend in person, send a representative on Mr Townsend's behalf or submit written representations for the panel to consider. At any such review hearing the panel may revoke the interim order, it may confirm the interim suspension order or it may replace it with an interim conditions of practice order.

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

This will be confirmed to Mr Townsend in writing.

That concludes this determination.