

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

Interim Order Review Meeting

Friday, 8 May 2026

Nursing and Midwifery Council
2 Stratford Place, Montfichet Road, London, E20 1EJ

Name of Registrant:	Edward Oliver Townend
NMC PIN:	17E2086E
Part(s) of the register:	Registered nurse – sub part 1 Mental health nursing (level 1) (7 September 2017)
Relevant Location:	North Tyneside
Panel members:	Robert Pragnell (Chair, lay member) Marilyn Norman (Lay member) Juliana Thompson (Registrant member)
Hearings Coordinator:	Max Buadi
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 Townend 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 Townend 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 Townend will be invited to attend in person, send a representative on Mr Townend'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 made against Mr Townend. The NMC will keep Mr Townend informed of developments in relation to that issue.

This will be confirmed to Mr Townend in writing.

That concludes this determination.