

**A report by the Office of the Inspector of
Prisons into the circumstances surrounding
the death of Prisoner E
on 19 February 2018
while on Reviewable Temporary Release**

***Please note that names have been removed to anonymise this Report**

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Presented to the Minister for Justice and Equality pursuant to
Part 5 of the Prisons Act 2007.

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Preface

The deceased was a 66 year old woman who came from the Leinster area.

The Inspectorate did not meet members of the deceased's family but I wish to offer them my condolences.

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Inspector of Prisons Investigation Report

1. The deceased was a 66 year old woman who came from the Leinster area.
2. The deceased was committed to prison on 11 April 2000 and was serving a life sentence.
3. Following a Parole Board review a Ministerial decision was made in July 2016 to release the deceased on Reviewable Temporary Release. Due to issues in securing appropriate accommodation the release did not take place at that time and she remained in prison.
4. Having examined the prison records, I found that the deceased became ill on 20 September 2016 and was admitted to the Mater Hospital where she was diagnosed with a terminal illness.
5. The deceased remained in hospital and on 23 September 2016 records show she was given Reviewable Temporary Release for the purpose of Hospital / Medical care.
6. On 7 November 2016 the deceased was moved to an Acute Post Care unit while undergoing medical treatment for her condition.
7. The deceased remained at the Acute Post Care Unit until 21 August 2017 when she received reviewable temporary release for pre-release /resocialisation. She was provided with supported accommodation. She remained there until a further admittance to hospital on 6 November 2017.
8. The deceased remained in hospital until 4 December 2017 when she was transferred to a Hospice Care Facility, where she remained until her death on 19 February 2018.

9. Prison records show that the deceased satisfied the terms of her Reviewable Temporary Release.
10. I am satisfied there are no significant matters that require further investigation.
11. The cause of death is a matter for the Coroner.