

SAFETY OF PRISONERS HELD BY THE NORTHERN IRELAND PRISON SERVICE – A JOINT INSPECTION BY CJINI AND RQIA

NORTHERN IRELAND PRISON SERVICE – ACTION PLAN

CJINI Recommendation	Response	Proposed Action	Lead	Target Date
Strategic Recommendations				
NIPS, in conjunction with SEHSCT, should review its Suicide and Self-harm Prevention Policy to take account of the issues raised in this report. The revised approach should be a joint strategy between NIPS and SEHSCT to address issues of safer custody in the three prisons and be completed within nine months of the publication of this report.	Accepted	To review the NIPS Suicide and Self Harm Prevention Policy in conjunction with SEHSCT. To produce a joint NIPS and SEHSCT strategy to address issues of safer custody in the three prisons.	NIPS	31 March 2015
NIPS should review its Violence Reduction and Anti-bullying policy to take account of the issues raised in this report. The revised approach should be completed within six months of the publication of this report.	Accepted	To review NIPS Violence and Anti-bullying policy.	NIPS	31 January 2015
There should be a comprehensive substance misuse strategy, based on a detailed strategic assessment of the scale and nature of the drugs problem, to address the key areas of supply reduction, demand reduction and throughcare. It should be implemented within nine months of the publication of this report.	Accepted	To implement a comprehensive substance misuse strategy.	NIPS	31 March 2015

Operational Recommendations				
NIPS and SEHSCT to introduce Memoranda of Understanding at the three prison establishments to clarify the respective roles and responsibilities, particularly in relation to the needs of prisoners in relation to safer custody, anti-bullying and drugs issues.	Accepted	To introduce Memoranda of Understanding at the three prison establishments.	NIPS	31 January 2015