

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR JUSTICE AND HOME AFFAIRS
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 29th SEPTEMBER 2025**

Question

“Further to the [Report on an announced inspection of La Moye Prison](#), which highlighted as one of key concern that “there was no mandatory post-release probation supervision for most adult prisoners, which potentially undermined public protection”, an outstanding recommendation from the previous inspection and report in 2017, will the Minister advise what actions, if any, are being taken to introduce mandatory post-release supervision, explain why this was not pursued previously, and outline what resources have been identified in the forthcoming Budget to support the introduction of this service, and, if no actions are being taken, explain why not?”

Answer

Considerable work has been done towards the development of a scheme of mandatory post-release probation supervision since 2017. After initial development, work was paused during the pandemic and since that time both policy development and legislative drafting resources have been assigned to other activity in line with the Government’s published schedule of priorities.

Most recently, most of the available policy capacity has been directed towards meeting the recommendations of the VAWG Taskforce report, as well as introducing an arguably more important redesign of the remission, release and post-custodial arrangements for children and young people.

However, despite other pressures, drafting instructions have been finalised in 2025 and are now with the Legislative Drafting Office awaiting drafting capacity, which is currently fully committed in line with the Government’s legislative programme. Work is anticipated to begin when capacity becomes available, subject to the prioritisation of other items.