

SUMMARY



Date considered: 23 July 2021

Sentence

1. The offender is serving an extended sentence of 9 years, comprised of a custodial term of 4 years 6 months and an extended period of supervision on licence of 4 years 6 months.

Test for release

2. Before it could direct release, the Board had to consider whether it remains necessary for the protection of the public from serious harm that the offender should be confined.

Decision

3. The Board was not satisfied on this matter, and directed release subject to licence conditions.

Reasons for decision

4. In reaching its decision, the Board considered:
 - a) the circumstances of the index offence, and any offending history;
 - b) formal risk assessments prepared on the prisoner;
 - c) the prisoner's conduct since sentence, and intentions if released;
 - d) all relevant information in the dossier; and
 - e) the evidence heard at the hearing.
5. The Tribunal has some reservations about the offender's ability to manage his emotions and the offender's ability to think about the effects of how they respond, however the offender is motivated to avoid offending in the future.
6. The support services advised the offender is aware of the trigger points and the offender will receive the support he requires to deal with these issues.
7. In all the circumstances the Tribunal agreed it was no longer necessary for the protection of the public that the offender be confined, and directed release on licence conditions which were lawful, necessary and proportionate to manage their risk.