

## Parole Determination Darren Williams

14 April 2026

### Parole Granted

Inmate Darren Williams has been granted parole after completing his non-parole period for the murder of a man in Victoria in 2011.

He was sentenced to 17 years and six months' imprisonment, with a non-parole period of 14 years and six months.

In 2015, he was transferred from Victoria to New South Wales to continue serving his sentence.

After careful consideration, the NSW Parole Authority determined that releasing Williams on parole, subject to strict supervision and conditions, is the option that best protects community safety.

This decision was informed by expert advice from Community Corrections NSW and the Serious Offenders Review Council, both of which recommended parole at this time as appropriate.

A public review hearing heard that alcohol addiction was the predominant contributing factor to Williams' offending and while in custody he has proactively addressed this issue, successfully completing the Intensive Drug and Alcohol Treatment Program (IDATP), as well as the EQUIPS Aggression program.

The Authority told the hearing that community safety remains paramount.

To manage Williams' risk in the community, Community Corrections advised the Authority it had developed a robust supervision and reintegration plan which included approved accommodation at a Corrective Services NSW-run facility, regular drug and alcohol testing to monitor for any relapse, ongoing psychological treatment and interventions, and participation in the EQUIPS Addiction program.

In opposing parole, the State submitted Williams should remain in custody to complete the Reintegration and Intensive Support Program (RISP).

The Authority noted that this program was offered to him only after an initial decision was formed to grant parole.

That initial decision was based on the independent advice of the Serious Offenders Review Council, which recommended parole and advised that participation in RISP was unnecessary.

In granting parole, the Authority reaffirmed that public safety is its primary consideration. concluding structured release under strict supervision, rather than continued incarceration, provides the strongest safeguards for the community.

Williams is to be released on a date between 28 April and 5 May 2026.

### **Parole conditions**

In addition to the 11 standard parole conditions, Williams must:

- Abstain from alcohol
- Participate in the IDATP Maintenance program
- Not contact, communicate with, observe, stalk, harass, or intimidate the victim's family

The parole order will remain in force until the expiry of his sentence on 27 March 2029, unless earlier revoked.