

Opinion and recommendations

1. Mr Cordell suffers from a mental disorder, the symptoms of which at present are persecutory delusions, grandiose beliefs and attitude. In addition, he also presented thought disordered with circumstantial thinking. Probably he has been experiencing auditory hallucinations too. His condition is complicated by poor insight into his mental health illness and substance misuse.
2. This illness is currently of a nature and degree to warrant detention under section 2 of the mental health act.
3. Without this there are risks to his health, principally mental health which is likely to continue to deteriorate without intervention. He is also at high risk from being evicted from his current accommodation which could put his mental and physical health at significant risk. His safety is compromised by possible retaliation from others when he is behaving aggressively towards other people. As well as the safety of others as he was aggressive to his neighbours, council employees and police prior to admission.
4. This cannot be carried out in the community as he has limited insight and refuses intervention, tried for a number of years and failed.
5. Should he be discharged then he will be referred to the HTT, but is not likely to engage.
6. Tribunal need no special arrangements to accommodate Mr Cordell.

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