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JUSTICE PRECINCT OFFICES
160 MARSDEN STREET
PARRAMATTA NSW 2150**MEDIA STATEMENT****Paroled murderer banned from Orange**

A man convicted for murdering a female friend has been granted parole but is banned from returning to the scene of his crime, in the state's Central West.

Jonathon Davison has served 19 years, seven months of a 20 years, five months sentence after being convicted of murdering the woman in the Orange area in 1990.

The 41-year-old has been refused parole five previous times, despite being eligible since 2005.

Whilst on parole, Davison is banned from going to eight Local Government Areas including Orange, Mudgee, Lithgow, Bathurst, Parkes, Forbes, Dubbo and the Blue Mountains.

As part of his strict release conditions, for the next 10 months, Davison:

- Is banned from Orange, Mudgee, Lithgow, Bathurst, Parkes, Forbes, Dubbo and the Blue Mountains
- Must not use, or be in the possession of, a prohibited drug or substance
- Must undertake drug and alcohol testing
- Must undertake psychological and psychiatric counselling if directed
- Cannot contact his victim's family

Consideration by the State Parole Authority of Davison's release on parole was recommended by the Serious Offenders Review Council and supported by the Probation and Parole Service.

The Serious Offenders Review Council report stated: "Given the significant time Mr. Davison has spend in custody, he should be encouraged to seek support with the process of familiarising himself with life in the community, for example by discussing with his parole officer...the availability of relevant courses and support groups."

A Probation and Parole Service report said: "The inmate will benefit from a period of supervision in the community and in particular the monitoring and support he would receive...as a segue to eventual community independence. A recommendation for release to parole is supported."

Davison is due to be released later this month.

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