

Statement from Jeremy Pudney, Nine News Director Adelaide:

As part of his parole arrangements, Mark Haydon was released from prison and is now free to enter the community for the first time since his incarceration.

From Ms Nelson's February media conference until after Nine News' reporting this week, the details of Haydon's release into the community on parole had not been communicated to the public in any form.

The victims' relatives we have interviewed this week have expressed concern at Haydon's day release, rather than any reporting of it.

We stand by the story and believe it was in the public interest to report that Mark Haydon had been released into the community.