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Dear Mr Farthing

Re: Gosport Inquest

Firstly I would like to say well done getting through the Inquest process. Overall the outcome leaves our position much strengthened.

I just wanted to canvass with you the next steps which I see as follows:-

- i. Formal request to the Coroner for outstanding documentation, including Professor Baker's report.
- ii. Criminal proceedings.
- iii. Encouraging members of the group of 92 families to come forward and notify us if they wish to take further action.
- iv. Group civil action for negligence.
- v. Peter Viggers, MP. I would like authority to arrange a meeting with him. If he is not more helpful then we may need to bypass him and go direct to his local party organisation.
- vi. Communication with the relevant NHS Trusts. I would like authority to communicate with them on behalf of the families.
- vii. General Medical Council (GMC). I would like authority to communicate with the GMC and suggest that the families need individual representation at the hearing, rather than having to rely only upon the GMC's legal advisors.

I appreciate, of course, it is early days in the aftermath of the Inquest. I wanted to write to say well done during the Inquest hearing and indicate my initial thoughts as to the next moves.

Please can you return to me with any views in respect of the above. I will be in contact soon as well.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

John White

