

Close Paul

From: Clements Simon
Sent: 13 August 2010 07:28
To: Close Paul
Subject: RE: Operation Rochester family details supplied to CPS.doc

thanks

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From: Close Paul
Sent: 12 August 2010 16:53
To: Grocott, David
Cc: Clements Simon; Gazley Christine
Subject: FW: Operation Rochester family details supplied to CPS.doc

T/DCI Grocott

Thanks. A minor but important question: Is it Mr Tuffey or Tuffy [see HF service]?

I have drafted a letter to John White in respect of his 5 clients [representing the Cunningham, Wilson, Packman, Devine and Gregory families].

I have drafted [shorter] letters in similar terms to the representatives of the 5 other relevant families [Code A] Lavender, Service, Lake (3 individual letters to the 3 sisters) and Spurgin].

I will write separately to John White re G Mackenzie. They know I have no papers to review and also know the position of the police. I note that there has been no inquest for Elsie Devine scheduled by the Coroner. There is really not much more I can add.

I will refine this correspondence and prepare top copies for sending out by post next Monday [as agreed with you]. I will liaise further with you. The decision would logically become public on Tuesday and by then our respective Press Offices will be briefed and ready to act.

I will leave you to notify Dr B/her advisers, also as arranged. I envisage that this can be done simply by you [electronically] on Tuesday. I will not email John White as this would be potentially unfair to the other families.

I will send to you the 'refined' versions of the above correspondence and my advice to the police [by email] in due course.

Please shout if I have missed anything.

16/08/2010

Paul Close

From: Grocott, David [mailto:] Code A
Sent: 10 August 2010 15:37
To: Close Paul
Cc: Clements Simon
Subject: Operation Rochester family details supplied to CPS.doc

Mr Close,

As discussed please find attached a list of all the relevant family members to be contacted in respect of this case. I have indicated not only the deceased's dates of birth and death but also the relationship of each person to the deceased.

I have listed similar information in respect of the four additional cases that were subject to GMC review. You have referred to these cases in your advice and given an opinion so we will write and inform them of the CPS decision. I hope this is of assistance. Please ring me if you need any further information.

I support your view in yesterdays correspondence that next Monday morning the 16th August may be the most opportune time to post the letters.

I will provide details of my press officer tomorrow once the Chief Constable has decided on our media release.

Regards

Dave Grocott

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