

**Drybrough-Smith Robert**

**From:** Code A  
**Sent:** 18 September 2002 10:01  
**To:** Drybrough-Smith Robert  
**Subject:** FW: Gosport Memorial Hospital

Rob,

For your information. Irrespective of Code A action, I think we should proceed on the basis of our discussion.

Code A

-----Original Message-----  
**From:** Code B  
**Sent:** 18 September 2002 09:51  
**To:** Code B  
**Subject:** RE: Gosport Memorial Hospital

this seems sensible - the only thing I should say is that my colleague Code B has sent replies to 2 letters - I do not know what he has said in them nad I am awaiting copies from him which I can forward to you upon receipt

-----Original Message-----

**From:** J Code B  
[mailto: Code B]  
**Sent:** 17 September 2002 19:28  
**To:** Code B

Code B

Subject: Gosport Memorial Hospital

Code B

I understand that you have discussed the above matter with Rob Drybrough-Smith.

As you know a number of letters have been sent on this matter to the AG all of which have been copied to OGDs, the Prime Minister and the Director. I believe that you have requested draft replies and background notes in relation to those letters sent to your office. In addition this office has received a number of letters directly - whilst we have acknowledged receipt of these letters, we have sent them to Casework Directorate for substantive reply in accordance with the Complaints procedure.

To ensure a consistency of approach and to prevent the AG becoming involved in matters which, given the current state of progress, need not trouble him as yet, I think all letters on this matters received in your office should be transferred to the CPS for substantive reply. We will acknowledge receipt and pass to Paul Close, the reviewing lawyer for reply. Involving the AG at this time will simply reduce the lines of appeal open to these complainants in the future.

For your information the police are still investigating most of the

cases  
and as such we have not reached any decisions as to their future.

**Code B**

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