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To: Close Paul

Subject: Gosport war memorial

Dear Mr Close

I am writing about the CPS decision not to prosecute anyone re Operation Rochester.

I would appreciate the chance to talk to you about the reasons behind your decision.

I'd also like to know why the families have been told this news so close to Christmas.

Thank you for the information re the four elements which make up an offence of negligent manslaughter - I'd like to know which of these elements was not found in this case.

I'd also like to know if you felt there were errors - though I understand if so these were deemed not of a criminal standard.

I feel it's important that the reasoning behind your decision is clearly illustrated to people in the community who have been left wondering exactly what did happen at the hospital.

I believe this would go a long way to allaying people's fears.

Both CPS and police have spent a lot of time and effort investigating this and I feel it's vital that this is clearly shown and that the justice system is seen to be working openly and transparently.

I have been told by Julie Seedon that you have refused to speak with The News and have reported this. I do not feel that shows openness and transparency.

I would welcome a frank and open discussion about your decision and the ability to report it clearly to a community obviously concerned about this case.

Thank you for taking the time to read this email and I look forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely

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