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Subject: Re: Gosport War Memorial Hospital - Possible HA- initiated independent enquiry

Marcia

I think

- we need an early view from Liam
- we need to meet with the HA to discuss the scope, membership etc of an inquiry - we should be involved with this
- once decisions on form etc have been taken, the HA need to put a submission to Ministers
- we need a view from Liam about the Baker audit and how far it feeds into any inquiry given the sensibilities he has on the way the audit is to be managed

Can we have a quick word

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do we think this is the right way to proceed . Do we need to be in touch with the StHA CE about the form and make-up of the inquiry. The last thing we need is another inquiry that doesn't get to the bottom of this

Marcia

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Marcia

I would be grateful for your advice on due process here. The attached note from the HA CE to us sets out the arguments for an enquiry into events at Gosport. We believe he is right in his analysis that, notwithstanding a somewhat crowded pitch, the local NHS must take its own steps to restore public confidence in this way. We would wish to advise him accordingly to proceed, taking care of course to clear wires with the other players to prevent confusion (or worse) about who is doing what, and how and when they are doing it. I presume (and this is where I need your advice) I should put a note up to CMO, copied to you, seeking his endorsement of this course of action and/or any comments he may have on it. Am I right?

Grateful for your help.

Adrian.