

POLICE INVESTIGATION INTO DEATHS AT GOSPORT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL (This is an issue which Peter Viggers has been following closely and has raised with Ministers in the past)

- This matter is currently under police investigation, therefore inappropriate to comment.
- However, I am assured that the NHS in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight have, and will continue to co-operate fully with the Hampshire Constabulary regarding the investigation into the past care and treatment of inpatients at the Gosport War Memorial Hospital.
- While serious concerns have been raised, the public should be reassured that the Commission for Health Improvement concluded in July of 2002 that policies and procedures are now in place to ensure safe standards of care at the hospital.