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BY FIRST CLASS POST

Mr Charles Farthing

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25 September 2003

Dear Charles

Gosport War Memorial Hospital

I write in relation to the forthcoming meeting with members of Hampshire Police to take place on Tuesday 30th September which will be followed by a meeting with the families at 7.30 pm that evening.

We are already aware that there are a number of issues that the families wish to be raised with the police further to the meeting at Netley Police station on 11th September and you may have further issues you wish me to raise. I would therefore like to give you the opportunity to share with me any concerns or comments you may have, so that I may then pass this information on. Any comments you wish me to make on your behalf can obviously be anonymous. I enclose a proposed agenda outlining the issues about which I have already been made aware.

I would be grateful if you could review the attached	d agenda and if ye	ou have any additional concerns
or comments that you would wish me to raise with	the police then p	lease telephone my assistant, Lisa
Elkin, on Code A or e-mail her at	Code A	by the close of business
on Monday 29 th September.		

I look forward to seeing you then.

Handling with care

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Yours sincerely

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PROPOSED AGENDA FOR MEETING WITH HAMPSHIRE POLICE 30/09/03

- 1. Explain in more detail why further experts are needed. What, specifically, will they be looking at?
- 2. Why have Field Fisher Waterhouse been instructed? Why are the police not seeking further advice from the CPS lawyers?
- 3. Why have there still been very few witness statements/accounts taken from all the relatives, particularly when the families have regularly expressed concerns that there are errors/omissions in the medical records?
- 4. Before decisions are made as to whether to take each case forward, will any experts have been presented with evidence from the families?
- 5. Why can those families whose cases do not warrant 'further investigation' not be informed of this now? Are these cases going to be looked at again?
- 6. When families are informed of the outcome of the experts review, they do not want to be told in a letter or by telephone call.
- 7. Why was there no victim support at the last meeting, given the nature of the information imparted?
- 8. Any additional queries raised by families.

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