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I have today checked out progress with the police team - they have changed their approach to this investigation. They will now only be interviewing specific members of staff [i.e. those who were directly involved in caring for GR or on duty during her stay on Daedelus], but these people will be interviewed under caution. These interviews will be voluntary, be held in a police station, caution given and interview taped. Presumably if some-one refused to be interviewed, and their statement was felt to be crucial, they might be arrested?

Our guidance for staff should be that they have a solicitor help them prepare and attend interview with them. Lorna Green will arrange this for those who do not want to use/have access to the services of their union, or solicitor of their own.

The police are still stressing that this is still information gathering, they are not trying to prove a known crime.

Whilst this approach will be more stressful for some, it prevents other staff being involved needlessly and should lead to a swifter conclusion.

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