# With Compliments

FOR THE ATTENTION OF CHRIS GREEN.

INQUISITIONS AS AGREED

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## VERDICTS RETURNED BY THE JURY ON 20 APRIL 2009 AT THE INQUESTS INTO DEATHS AT GOSPORT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Name	Inquest verdict
Leslie Charles Pittock	Narrative Verdict: The deceased was an inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving opoid medication at the time of death. The administration of medication did not contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased.
Elsie Hester Lavender	Narrative Verdict: The deceased was an inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving opoid medication at the time of death. The administration of medication did contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death. The medication was given for therapeutic purposes. That medication was appropriate for the condition or symptoms from which the deceased was suffering.
Ruby Josephine Dorothea Lake	Narrative Verdict: The deceased was an inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving opoid medication at the time of death. The administration of medication did not contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased.
pbert Caldwell Wilson	Narrative Verdict: The deceased was an inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving opoid medication at the time of death. The administration of medication did contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death. The medication was given for therapeutic purposes, the medication was not appropriate for the conditions or symptomns from which the deceased was suffering
Enid Phyllis Dormer Spurgin	Narrative Verdict: The deceased was an inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving opoid medication at the time of death. The administration of medication did not contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased.
Elsie Lilian Devine	Narrative Verdict: The deceased was an inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving opoid medication at the time of death. The administration of medication did contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death. The medication was given for therapeutic purposes, the medication was not appropriate for the conditions or symptoms from which the deceased was suffering.
Helena Frances Service	Narrative Verdict: The deceased was an inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving opoid medication at the time of death. The administration of medication did not contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased.
Arthur Denis Brian Cunningham	Narrative Verdict: The deceased was an inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving opoid medication at the time of death. The administration of medication did contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death. The medication was given for therapeutic purposes. The medication was appropriate for the condition or symptoms from which the deceased was suffering
Sheila Rosemary Gregory	Narrative Verdict: The deceased was an inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving opoid medication at the time of death. The administration of medication did not contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased.
Geoffrey Michael John Packman	Narrative Verdict: The deceased was an inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving opoid medication at the time of death. The administration of medication did contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death. The medication was given for therapeutic purposes, the medication was not appropriate for the conditions or symptoms from which the decesaed was suffering.

Maddison, Val

From:

Green Chris

Code A

Sent:

02 March 2010 14:16

To:

Maddison, Val

Subject: RE: Gosport War Memorial Hospital

I would appreciate both, if this is possible! My fax number is

Code A

Many thanks

Chris Green

From: Maddison, Val [mailto:

Code A

**Sent:** 02 March 2010 14:14

To: Green Chris

Subject: RE: Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Dear Mr Green

Did you want just the verdicts in each case (I can email a schedule with this information) or a copy of the Inquisition in each case, which I would need to fax as we have no scanner facilities here.

Yours sincerely

Val Maddison

Coroner's Administrative Officer

Tel: Fax:

----Original Message-

From: Green Chris [mailto:

Code A

Sent: 02 March 2010 13:38

To: Maddison, Val

Subject: FW: Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Dear Ms Maddison.

I represented nurses at the inquests into 10 patients from Gosport War Memorial Hospital last year. This inquest was carried out by Mr Bradley, the North East Hampshire Coroner, on behalf of the Portsmouth Coroner.

I refer you to my correspondence with Heather French, the Coroner's Administrator in North East Hampshire, below. I understand from Ms French that you now have custody of all documents relating to the above inquests.

Please would you email me copies of the jury verdicts, in respect of:

- LESLIE PITTOCK, died 24/1/96
- ELSIE LAVENDER, died 6/3/96
- HELENA SERVICE, died 5/6/97
- RUBY LAKE, died 21/8/98
- ARTHUR CUNNINGHAM, died 26/9/98
- ROBERT WILSON, died 18/10/98
- ENID SPURGIN, died 13/4/99

- GEOFFREY PACKMAN, died 3/9/99
- ELSIE DEVINE, died 21/11/99
- SHEILA GREGORY, died 22/11/99

Do not hesitate to ring if there is anything you would like to discuss.

Many thanks.

Yours sincerely

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From: French, Heather [mailto:

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Sent: 02 March 2010 12:47

To: Green Chris

Subject: RE: Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Dear Mr Green

I have forwarded your request to the Portmouth Coroners Office where all the details relating to this Inquest are stored.

Mr Bradley conducted these Inquests on behalf of the Portsmouth Coroner.

The contact there is Val Maddison and her phone number is Cod

Code A

Regards

Heather

From: Green Chris [mailto:

Code A

Sent: 02 March 2010 12:39

**To:** French, Heather

Subject: RE: Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Dear Ms French

Thank you for your email below. I am puzzled by your having referred my request to the Portsmouth Coroner since it was Mr Bradley who conducted the relevant inquests.

I have not heard from the Portsmouth Coroner and, in the light of the above, am wondering whether he will be in a position to provide the relevant information.

For the avoidance of doubt, I am seeking formal confirmation of the jury verdicts in respect of:

- LESLIE PITTOCK, died 24/1/96
- ELSIE LAVENDER, died 6/3/96
- HELENA SERVICE, died 5/6/97
- RUBY LAKE, died 21/8/98

- ARTHUR CUNNINGHAM, died 26/9/98
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- SHEILA GREGORY, died 22/11/99

Are you able to provide this?

Many thanks

Chris Green

From: French, Heather [mailto

Code A

**Sent:** 02 February 2010 08:48

To: Green Chris

Subject: RE: Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Dear Mr Green

We have passed this request on to the Portsmouth Coroner who will contact you.

Regards

Mrs Heather French

From: Green Chris [mailto:

Code A

**Sent:** 01 February 2010 17:31

**To:** French, Heather

Subject: Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Dear Ms French

You may recall that I was representing the nurses at the inquest into 10 deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital last year.

Please would you email me a copy of the Jury's verdict?

Many thanks

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From: French, Heather [mailto: Sent: 26 January 2009 14:27

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To: Green Chris

Subject: Gosport War Memorial Hospital

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Heather Coroners Administrator	
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