

**Maddison, Val**

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**From:** Maddison, Val  
**Sent:** 02 September 2008 15:54  
**To:** 'Bradley, Andrew'  
**Subject:** RE: Inquests into deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Just to add that I always found the Crown Court staff helpful and anxious to ensure that Coroner's Inquests were properly accommodated.

Val

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Bradley, Andrew [mailto: Code A]  
**Sent:** 02 September 2008 15:43  
**To:** Maddison, Val  
**Subject:** RE: Inquests into deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Thanks for that Val. I will wait to hear and will let you know.

Andrew

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**From:** Maddison, Val [mailto: Code A]  
**Sent:** 02 September 2008 15:40  
**To:** Bradley, Andrew  
**Subject:** RE: Inquests into deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Andrew

Have sent your comments and number to Helen Williams. We used the Crown Court for Inquests a few years ago for some months while the Magistrates Courts were being refurbished. We were given a County Court near the front door for the whole period. From what I remember, that courtroom didn't incorporate jury seating or a retiring room. I think we had a Jury Inquest during that period which was catered for, but that particular room might not be so suitable for Jury Inquests lasting six weeks if it is offered again.

Regards

Val

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Bradley, Andrew [mailto: Code A]  
**Sent:** 02 September 2008 15:18  
**To:** Maddison, Val  
**Subject:** RE: Inquests into deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Dear Val,

Thanks for that. It sounds as though Portsmouth is the answer on the basis of the number of people attending. Can you pass this on to Helen and ask if she could give me a ring on Code A Code A to talk about it. I know Portsmouth court very well but wonder what she has in mind.

03/09/2008

If Havant is no longer a functioning court it just shows how old I am!

Thanks as ever.

Andrew

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**From:** Maddison, Val [mailto: ] **Code A**  
**Sent:** 02 September 2008 14:22  
**To:** Williams1, Helen  
**Cc:** Bradley, Andrew  
**Subject:** RE: Inquests into deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Dear Helen

Thank you for your helpful email, which I am forwarding to Mr Bradley. It may be that he will want to contact you direct to arrange a visit or discuss the suitability of court locations for the Inquests.

Regards

Val Maddison  
Coroner's Administrative Officer  
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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Williams1, Helen [mailto: ] **Code A**  
**Sent:** 02 September 2008 13:21  
**To:** Maddison, Val  
**Subject:** Inquests into deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital  
**Importance:** High

Val I have been asked by Simon Townley to consider your request for using Havant Court House for the GWMH inquest in March 2009.

I am not sure if you are aware of the current situation at Havant court house but it is no longer a fully functioning court building. There are limited facilities available, such as interview rooms, refreshments and security. We could accommodate hearing the matter in this building but I would question its suitability for such a high profile matter. As an alternative I could offer you a court room in Portsmouth Combined Court Centre which as you know is purpose built for such cases as this one.

Perhaps you could discuss it with Mr Bradley and I would suggest the way ahead would be to arrange a court visit to Havant so that you could see what facilities would be available. If you did want to sit at Portsmouth that is not a problem I have asked my Listing Officer not to book any matters into the court until we hear either way from the Coroners office.

If you wish to arrange a visit please ring and we can arrange a suitable time. I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Helen Williams  
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