File Note GWMH Deaths

Telecon with Dr Vicky Banks on 10.7.08

Knew Jane Barton (subject to GMC hearing). VB had involvement with two patients: Les Pittock and Arthur Cunningham.

VB did a statement for the police some years ago. She was also interviewed when CHI investigated separate to the 3 police investigations.

She did her statements for those 2 patients years ago. The GMC contacted VB about 6 -9 months ago. She was informed that the statements she did for the police might be called for by the GMC and she was notified that she could be on stand-by for that. Recently received a letter from Field Waterhouse Fisher to say GMC hearing on hold.

She happened to see Jane Barton and Ian Reid last weekend at a party (not seen either in years before then) and they told her the hearing was on hold.

Mr P had serious chronic condition, increasingly frail and had been for a v long time. He was an inpatient on Mulberry Unit, his chances of survival were slim/remote. He transferred to Dryad Ward for further management. His physical needs outweighed his MH needs. VB queried why his case was ever investigated.

Mr Cunnightham was physically unwell. On leave for a while during the summer and transferred to a nursing home and then came back. He was assessed by Elderly Medicine and transferred. VB did not see him again after his time on Dryad ward.

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She will be on 3 weeks leave soon so cmw not to worry if no response to email or phone calls.

Happy for her name to be known to the other doctors, ie can do an email to all if nec.