

## Ben Williams

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**Sent:** 16 October 2014 21:12  
**To:** McCarthy Eugene - KG  
**Cc:** Parish David G - KG; Slaymaker Paul R - KG  
**Subject:** Walgate report for referral to SC&O1



Stephen PORT  
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WALGATE - CSR  
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Eugene, apologies for the delay but in any case we still await the pathologists final report following the additional analysis. The Coroners officer has been updated.

Thanks

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Further MIT advice review was requested on 26.06.2014 via Det. Supt. SWEENEY. In light of this DI Andrew KELLY reviewed enquiry and provided officers from MIT7 to support the enquiry. Subsequently Mr PORT was further interviewed by MIT7 officers - DC HOLT & DC LEVOIR.

**Interview Summary Mr Stephen PORT - C/N 01KW/5015/14 - Interviewed by DC HOLT & DC LEVOIR on 27.06.2014:**

At this time only a handwritten account is available of notes. The interviewing officers will provide a full update over the weekend. The suspect again provided a full account and clarified details of his first account. He denied the allegation of theft of the phone and believed that it may be with the deceased's clothing.

Subsequently Mr PORT was further interviewed by MIT7 officers. ROTI attached. PORT made significant admissions regarding the arrangement to meet, having sex with Walgate and observing him take a number of substances. He states Walgate remained in his flat for some time before he moved him to the position in which he was found. Denies any involvement in his death.

**ARREST UPDATE - CURRENT STATUS:**

Mr PORT has been interviewed in custody on two occasions. He is currently on bail pending a decision re prosecution.

Consideration was given to approaching the CPS in relation to the allegation of 'Perverting the Course of Justice' whilst in custody, however this was decided against due to the outstanding enquiries i.e. awaiting result of cause of death etc. (DI KELLY appraised and agreed with this course of action).

**10. PHONES:**

CIU have been tasked to conduct enquiries in relation to the victim's mobile number. At this time the handset remains outstanding.

I have confirmed with Analyst Kevin BUTLER that the last signal received from the victim's phone was on 18.06.2014 in the early hours of the morning. There has been no further outgoing activity from the phone.

**11. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE:**

Exhibits have been seized both from the scene and the Post Mortem. A Forensic Strategy Meeting will be held with the BFM / CSM regarding submission of exhibits for examination. (CSM has provided advice at the PM).

MIT advice has been received. The scene has been examined along with the premises of Mr PORT. A number of exhibits have been seized and a Forensic Strategy Meeting will be held w/c 30.06.2014. In brief, examination of samples for toxicology will be required along with property found on the victim. In relation to Mr PORT, his mobile phone & computer will require examination.

**11. INTELLIGENCE:**

At this time Intel products have been requested on the following persons;  
i) VIW1 - Mr Anthony Patrick WALGATE

ii) Mr Stephen PORT. Of note is that there is a previous allegation of crime against Mr PORT - subsequently NFA - that he had un-consensual anal sex with a male after making him take 'poppers'.

Currently awaiting full details.

An action has also been raised for a financial enquiry to be conducted on both persons.

### **12. LINES OF ENQUIRY:**

This is a brief overview of enquiries. A full list of Actions raised has been entered on CRIS ADR screens;

i) Outstanding CCTV from LBB & D.

ii) Outstanding CIU enquiries.

iii) Review of Local Directed Enquiries. (These have now been completed by MIT20).

iv) Statements from outstanding witnesses(s).

v) Warrant - COMPLETE

vi) Conduct further search of victim's clothing for missing property i.e. mobile phone.

### **13. MEDIA:**

Press lines have been prepared and forwarded to DMC.

DI Andrew KELLY reviewed the investigation on 27.06.2014. The following Press Lines were forwarded to DMC;

Unexplained death of Anthony WALGATE

Communication Strategy 27/06/2013 1230

DMC Update

For offer: On 26.06.2014 a male was arrested in connection with the investigation into the unexplained death of Anthony WALGATE.

For DMC info only: Arrested person Stephen John PORT date of birth 22.02.1975 of Cooke Street, Barking. Currently still in custody at KW.

Formal identification of the deceased has not yet taken place. Next of kin have now been informed. He has been identified thus far by reference to his passport and photo which were on the body.

### ***\*\*NOT FOR PUBLICATION\*\*:***

*It appears the deceased was a sex worker.*

*LGBT IAG member Bob Hodgson ( [REDACTED] DPA [REDACTED] ) informed that we are investigating the unexplained death of Anthony WALGATE aged 23 in Barking. It is believed that he was a sex worker.*

*As a trusted partner Mr Hodgson has been informed in order that he may be alert to any comments on the internet about this investigation and be in a position to inform us of any relevant information he may receive.*

*IF ASKED:*

*Andrew Kelly DI*

*SCO1 27.06.2014*

### **14. RISK ASSESSMENT:**

At this time the Risk Assessment is Standard.

Family have been updated by FLO and are supportive of police actions.