

CRIS 5109868/14 - UNEXPLAINED DEATH

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1. BACKGROUND:

Police are investigating the unexplained death of Mr Anthony Patrick WALGATE.

On Thursday 19.06.2014 police were called to outside 59, COOK STREET, BARKING, ESSEX, IG11 7AF by a member of the public. Mr Stephen PORT of 62, COOK STREET, BARKING, ESSEX, IG11 7AF. He stated that he came home from work in the early hours of the morning, saw a male slumped against the entrance to his block of flats. To gain entry he moved him, subsequently called the London Ambulance Service and then went to be.

At the location was a deceased male - Mr Anthony Patrick WALGATE Date of Birth; 08.05.1991 of [REDACTED] DPA LONDON, [REDACTED] DPA He was found propped up against a bin cupboard in an open pedestrian area. Life was pronounced extinct at 07:51 a.m. Mr WALGATE had no visible injuries.

On Friday 20.06.2014 a Special Post Mortem was conducted at Queens Hospital Romford by Dr BIEDRZYCKI. The result of this was inconclusive and the results to toxicology are outstanding. The pathologist noted that the deceased had a 'heavy brain & heavy lungs' indicting drug use. At this time the death remains unexplained.

A friend of the deceased, Miss China DUNNING has provided lifestyle information and has stated that he worked as a male prostitute. She stated that he had arranged to meet a client on 17.06.2014. The client provided the deceased with his details as follows; Joe DEAN DOB 02.02.1986 of 72, ST. ANNES ROAD, IG11 7AF. Miss DUNNING stated that the client agreed a price of £800.00 for the services of the deceased. The deceased was concerned about this as the client agreed to the price. (This is unusual as the deceased would have expected some discussion over the price).

Miss DUNNING provided a distinctive description of the client that was shown to her by the deceased on his mobile phone on 17.06.2014. Police compared this description to a photograph of Mr Stephen PORT (the original informant) held on police indices and noticed similarities. As a result, the image was shown to Miss DUNNING on 25.06.2014

Stephen Port woke up on Wednesday and that Anthony was still sleeping and that he was breathing, Stephen Port thought nothing of it as when his partner had taken drugs before then Stephen Port partner had been out of it for hours before.

Stephen Port came home on Wednesday night after finishing work at 10pm and Anthony was still in bed and Stephen Port thought this was not right, Stephen Port thought that Anthony was in a deep sleep and did not realise that he was dead. Stephen Port then took the body out and as described earlier Stephen Port placed the body by the door and then by the fence and then eventually on the pavement where ambulance staff found him.

Stephen Port stated that he went back inside the flat and got Anthony Bag and took the bag out to the body and that he moved the body as he was unsure where to leave Anthony. Stephen Port stated that he did not assault or kill Anthony and that the reason he did not leave him in the bed as it would look suspicious just like last time.

10. PHONES;

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

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).

11. INTELLIGENCE;

At this time Intel products have been requested on the following persons;

- i) VIW1 - Mr Anthony Patrick WARGATE
- 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.

12. LINES OF ENQUIRY;

- i) Outstanding CCTV from LBB & D.
- ii) Outstanding CIU enquiries.
- iii) Review of Local Directed Enquiries & possible Anniversary Visit.
- iv) Statements from victim and outstanding witnesses(s).
- v) All actions have been raised on CRIS ADR screens.
- vi) WARRANT;

I have requested that L/T & N/D CID conduct enquiries in order to obtain a Section 8, PACE 1984 Warrant to search the following address;
COOK STREET, BARKING, ESSEX, IG11 7AF.

Grounds; as outlined above - Mr PORT has made arrangements to meet the deceased. He has provided a statement to police and gave a false account. There are grounds to believe that the deceased may have been inside the address. The post code given by the client matches that of Mr PORT. The deceased's mobile phone remains outstanding and has not been recovered by police. This phone was in possession of the deceased when he