

3. In relation to the death of Stephen Walgate, I was the coordinator on Borough for Family Liaison Officers and I deployed DC Slaymaker to the family. He was appropriately vetted and had been on the course, and was suitable for the role. In my view he was very good in the role as an FLO and was a good choice for dealing with what was a difficult situation in relation to what at that time I understood to be a suspicious death. I completed a FLO strategy on 29.06.2014 form for the purposes of assigning him to this task. It was not the case that every suspicious or unexplained death would have an FLO appointed to the family, but I think DS O'Donnell provided some very broad outline details to me and it was agreed that the Walgate family should have an FLO appointed. I had no details relating to the circumstances in which Mr Walgate had been found, or details in relation to the circumstances surrounding subsequently the interest of those investigating that death of Stephen Port as a potential suspect in relation to any criminal offences.

4. As far as I can recall in June 2014, we were three teams within the Borough. Under my supervision were DC Baxter, TDC Slaymaker, DC Adeyemo-Phillips and TDC Berry. DC Adeyemo-Phillips worked compressed hours and I did not see her as often as I saw the others. I did not work Fridays as I worked part time.

5. During the relevant period, I have been able to establish that I was not in the office on the following days either through rest days annual leave sickness, courses or for some other reason.

July 2014; 1, 4, 5, 6, 10,11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 29

August 2014; 1, 2, 3, 6, 7,8, 13, 15, 18, 19,20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 31

September 2014; 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 26, 27, 28, 30.

Some of these were days when I was working but simply not in the office as follows:

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I thought nothing in particular of exhibit IRS/8, the blue blanket, as I was aware from local knowledge and what others told me, that very often that churchyard or general area has vagrant types who frequent it, sleep there, and very often have blankets with them as part of their day-to-day living. It was my belief that if the CCTV could help establish how Mr Whitworth got to the graveyard, that might deal with any suspicious circumstances that could be said to arise, and might deal with who the man from "last night" was as well. As it transpired, there was no CCTV that helped in this regard, and that was not a line of enquiry that we could necessarily pursue.

13. On the 25th September at 12.21, I made an entry in relation to the post mortem and just confirmed who had been assigned to what tasks at that stage by way of an update. I do not think I had read the rest of the CRIS and certainly had not read any material relating to Gabriel Kovari at that stage. I did not regard this as a review of the CRIS and do not believe I had any responsibility to review this particular CRIS in any event. I have had no training on CRIS supervision or review and did not put any entries in the review part of the CRIS.

14. On the 15th October at 15.09, I provided another update arising from the specific entry the day before from ADI Shamberger relating to whether or not a pen matching the one used to write the "suicide note" had been found in the property of Mr Whitworth. Clearly I tasked TDC Berry with this and noted the result. I also was obviously speaking to DC Baxter, who was the appointed FLO to the Kovari family by that stage, about the situation in relation to the repatriation of his body and looking to see whether it would be possible to have that returned if there were any concerns about the circumstances relating to his death. Again this was by way of an update in relation to specific matters that I must have spoken to TDC Berry and DC Baxter about. My collection in relation to the suicide note was that DC Adeyemo-Phillips had told me that she had confirmed with the family of Mr Whitworth that the handwriting was his. I cannot remember if she told me that she had sent them the full note or an extract from the note found on him. I

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- The document produced as ongoing enquiries I think was a HAT report document just setting out what had happened since the body of Daniel Whitworth was found.

23. I would like to make it clear that the way I dealt with what I believed to be a non-suspicious death of Mr Whitworth and the subsequent discovery of the death of Mr Kovari no differently to any other sudden death that I have dealt with.

24. I am grateful for the indication that I can consider further to this interview, the substantial amount of material served and the questions put with a view to submitting a further written response if necessary and if I think it will help the investigation.

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