

# **THE MORECAMBE BAY INVESTIGATION**

Chaired by Dr Bill Kirkup CBE

## **Investigation Summaries of Interviews May 2014**

### **2 May 2014**

#### **SUMMARY OF THE INTERVIEW WITH JOHN WOODCOCK MP**

John Woodcock MP was interviewed on 2 May 2014 by the Chairman of the Morecambe Bay Investigation Dr Bill Kirkup, the expert advisor on ethics, Jonathan Montgomery, and Stewart Forsyth, the expert advisor on paediatrics.

Mr Woodcock provided the Investigation with contextual information about his role and responsibility as the MP for Barrow and Furness following his election in May 2010.

The Investigation Panel asked Mr Woodcock how, and when, issues of concern about the maternity and neonatal services delivered at the Trust were initially brought to his attention and what action he took in response to those concerns.

Mr Woodcock advised the Panel which external organisations he had contacted regarding the concern raised by his constituents and set out the responses he had received.

The Investigation also asked Mr Woodcock about meetings and communication he routinely had, as part of his constituency responsibilities, with the former Primary Care Trust.

### **21 May 2014**

#### **SUMMARY OF THE INTERVIEW WITH PROFESSOR DAME PAULINE FIELDING**

Professor Dame Pauline Fielding was interviewed on 21 May 2014 by the Chairman of the Morecambe Bay Investigation Dr Bill Kirkup and the full Panel of expert advisors.

Dame Pauline provided the Investigation with contextual information about the Review of Maternity Services in University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Trust that she led. Dame Pauline was commissioned by the Trust to undertake the Review and her Report was submitted to them in March 2010. The Report is listed in the Investigation's terms of reference.

Dame Pauline was asked by the Panel about her selection and appointment and that of the clinical experts, the scope of the Review, how the terms of reference were prepared and agreed and the process she adopted to ensure that the Review team undertook interviews, visits and viewed relevant documentation.

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The Investigation Panel asked Dame Pauline about how her team liaised with the senior managers at the Trust who commissioned the Review. They also asked who her team interviewed at the Trust, what themes and issues emerged from the interviews with managers, clinicians, nurses, health care assistants and services users at all three Trust sites. The Panel also asked Dame Pauline about how the Report was received by the Trust, what follow up action was taken and how the recommendations were implemented.

## **SUMMARY OF THE INTERVIEW WITH AMANDA MUSGRAVE**

Amanda Musgrave was interviewed on 21 May 2014 by the Chairman of the Morecambe Bay Investigation Dr Bill Kirkup and the full Panel of expert advisors.

Amanda provided the Investigation with contextual information about how the Care Quality Commission (CQC) undertook investigations and inspections and set out the differences between the two. In addition she provided some background about the work and resourcing of regional CQC teams. She provided information about the CQC's Investigation Report into the University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust. Amanda led the Investigation. The subsequent Report, published in July 2012, is listed in the Investigation's terms of reference.

The Panel asked Amanda about her selection and appointment to the lead Investigator role. They also asked how she identified an appropriate team, the scope of the Investigation, how the terms of reference were prepared and agreed and the process she adopted to ensure that the Investigation team could carry out its work.

The Investigation Panel asked Amanda about how she liaised effectively with senior managers at the Trust, who she interviewed at the Trust and what themes and issues emerged from the investigative interviews the team undertook with hospital staff at Royal Lancaster Infirmary and Furness General Hospital.

Amanda explained to the Panel that she was not involved with any follow up work undertaken by the Care Quality Commission with the Trust to ensure that appropriate action plans were drawn up and any recommendations implemented.