

PUBLIC INQUIRY MUCKAMORE ABBEY HOSPITAL

PURSUANT TO SECTION 19 OF THE INQUIRIES ACT 2005

General Restriction Order No. 14 (Redaction in “A Way to Go” Report)

The Chair has power under section 19(1)(b) of the Inquiries Act 2005 to make orders restricting disclosure or publication of evidence or documents given, produced or provided to an Inquiry.

This order relates to the redaction of text in the report “A Review of Safeguarding at Muckamore Abbey Hospital: A Way to Go” (November 2018). The report is exhibited to the statement of Dr Margaret Flynn (Inquiry reference MAHI – STM – 108 – 1).

In exercise of that power, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The following text be redacted:
 - a. The text beneath “Acknowledgments” on internal page 42 of 87 of the report (MAHI – STM – 108 – 45).
 - b. The text following “Update provided by” in footnote 5 on internal page 51 of 87 of the report (MAHI – STM – 108 – 54).
2. The report has not to date been made public, save in summary form. The report was informed by contact and discussions with a range of parties in circumstances in which those providing information were reasonably entitled to expect that their names would not be made public. Further, disclosure of the names of those acknowledged in the report may potentially risk compromising the protection afforded by Restriction Order No. 2 – Patient Anonymity and Restriction Order No. 4 – Staff Identification.
3. The Chair is satisfied that redaction of the text specified in paragraph 1 above is conducive to the Inquiry fulfilling its Terms of Reference and is necessary in the public interest. The need for redaction of the specified text will be kept under review.
4. This Order remains in force for the duration of the Inquiry and at all times thereafter, unless otherwise ordered.
5. The Chair of the Inquiry may vary or revoke this Order by making a further order during the course of the Inquiry.

Any threat to break this Order, or any breach of it, can be certified to the High Court under section 36 of the Inquiries Act, which will deal with it as though the breach had occurred in proceedings before that court.

Made by the Chair on 28 April 2023.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tom Kark', with a horizontal line underneath.

Tom Kark KC
Chair