

Thomas Ralph Osborne Senior Coroner for Milton Keynes

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	REGULATION 28 REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS
	THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO: Carole Mills, Chief Executive Milton Keynes Council
1	CORONER
	I am Thomas Ralph Osborne, Senior Coroner for Milton Keynes
2	CORONER'S LEGAL POWERS
	I make this report under paragraph 7, Schedule 5, of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 and regulations 28 and 29 of the Coroners (Investigations) Regulations 2013. http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2013/1629/part/7/made
3	INVESTIGATION and INQUEST
	On 29 th July 2016 I commenced an investigation into the death of Kevin George Morgan, aged 53. The investigation concluded at the end of the inquest on 19 th May 2017. The conclusion of the inquest was "Open".
4	CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH Mr Morgan suffered from insulin controlled type 1 diabetes that was poorly controlled. He was not registered with a GP and had not been in contact with family for several weeks. Family called Police who attended the flat. On looking through the letterbox Mr Morgan could be seen deceased lying on the floor in the hallway. Entry was forced, ambulance attended and death confirmed, there were no suspicious circumstances. His body was heavily decomposed. At the time of his death it was known that he suffered from diabetes, that he had accumulated rent arrears, that his telephone had been disconnected, that he was without gas and electricity, that he was not claiming benefits and he suffered from mental health problems.
5	CORONER'S CONCERNS
	During the course of the inquest the evidence revealed matters giving rise to concern. In my opinion there is a risk that future deaths will occur unless action is taken. In the circumstances it is my statutory duty to report to you.
	The MATTERS OF CONCERN are as follows. –
	 (1)That social services and the housing team were aware of the problems experienced by Kevin Morgan and yet there was no effective follow up. (2) That a safeguarding alert was completed by Kevin Morgan's Mother and, despite her serious concerns, the response was to arrange a visit where Kevin Morgan refused to engage. (3) That the case was reviewed by senior managers on at least two occasions and no further action was taken. (4) The police were never requested to conduct a concern for safety visit despite such a visit
	being recognised as appropriate. (5) It was accepted by the Adult Social Care Access Team that a meeting of senior professionals should have been called to consider the case and prepare a plan. (6) Following the death of Kevin Morgan there was no Serious Incident Review conducted by social services and it was not referred for a safeguarding review so that lessons have not been learned from this incident. Without such a review a similar incident could occur in the future.

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6	ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN
	In my opinion action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe you as the Chief Executive of Milton Keynes Council have the power to take such action.
7	YOUR RESPONSE
	You are under a duty to respond to this report within 56 days of the date of this report, namely by 16 th July 2017. I, the coroner, may extend the period.
	Your response must contain details of action taken or proposed to be taken, setting out the
	timetable for action. Otherwise you must explain why no action is proposed.
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8	COPIES and PUBLICATION
	I have sent a copy of my report to the Chief Coroner and to the following Interested Persons (Kevin's mother) and to the CQC. I am also under a duty to send the Chief Coroner a copy of your response.
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	The Chief Coroner may publish either or both in a complete or redacted or summary form. He may send a copy of this report to any person who he believes may find it useful or of interest.
	You may make representations to me, the coroner, at the time of your response, about the
	release or the publication of your response by the Chief Coroner.
9	Dated 22 nd May 2017
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	Senior Coroner for Milton Keynes
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