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Ref: Mr Richard Worswick
DOD: 19/05/2025

Dear Ms Mutch,

I am writing to you further to the conclusion of the inquest into the death of Mr Richard Worswick on 16 October 2025 and in response to the Prevention of Future Deaths report in relation to your concerns regarding a lack of clear, effective and documented communication to the care home in relation to care plans that included wound management.

Upon investigation into this matter, the Trust had an audit trail which showed the ward did complete the Transfer of Care documentation on the IT system (Advantis) however this does not automatically save on the system (and this functionality is not available) and therefore there was no evidence or copy of the document which was sent to the care home.

The Trust issued a Trust wide alert on 20 November 2025 in relation to Transfer of Care documentation and action required from all areas to ensure two copies of the documentation are printed; one to go with the patient to the care home and one to be placed in the patient's records. Please find a copy of the Trust wide alert attached.

In order to provide assurance that this practice is fully embedded across the Trust, a Trust wide audit will take place. Five patient discharges to other care providers will be audited per ward for discharges which have taken place in December. The audit will be carried out in the first two weeks of February 2026 and will check that there is a copy of the Transfer of Care documentation within the patient's record.

During the course of this review, we have also identified that improvements are needed to the quality and information included in the discharge checklist. A task and finish group has been set up for this piece of work and will commence in January 2026.

We hope the information provided above offers assurance that Stockport NHS Foundation Trust has taken the findings of the inquest into Mr Worswick's care extremely seriously.

We remain dedicated to continuous improvement in patient safety and care quality. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully



Chief Executive