



**East Suffolk and
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NHS Foundation Trust**

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20 November 2025

Dear Mr Horstead

**REGULATION 28 REPORT TO PREVENT DEATHS – INQUEST TOUCHING UPON THE DEATH OF MRS
SUSAN MARGARET BARRETT WHICH CONCLUDED ON 18 SEPTEMBER 2025**

I write in connection with the above-mentioned Inquest and the Regulation 28 Report to Prevent Deaths issued by yourself on 25 September 2025 (“the Report”).

The Report highlighted concerns relating to the impact and consequences of an absence of embedded, dedicated Tissue Viability Nurses (“TVNs”) and a Tissue Viability Service (“TVS”) across the two East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust (“the Trust”) Community Hospital Sites.

The information presented below is intended to describe the actions which have been taken/are being taken by the Trust to mitigate the risk of future deaths and address the concerns you have raised.

**RECRUITMENT OF ADDITIONAL TVN RESOURCE TO EMBED A TVS ACROSS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
SITES**

The Medicine and Community Services North East Essex division within the Trust have confirmed funding for 0.6wte Band 6 Tissue Viability CNS as a substantive post.

The Establishment Control Form was submitted on 07/10/25 and was approved by the finance team the same day.

The Trust are actively recruiting for the role, and a recruitment advertisement has been posted for this role.

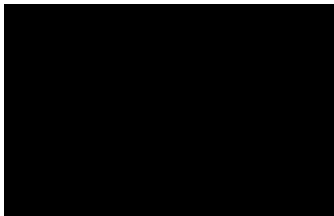
Once appointed the successful candidate will undertake Tissue Viability Services across the Trust Community Hospital Sites

The Trust hopes that the above information demonstrates the actions being implemented by the Trust and adequately responds to your concerns

I would like to personally extend our sincerest condolences to Susan's family for their loss.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



Chief Executive Officer
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