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**Regulation 28 Report – Action to Prevent Future Deaths
Mrs Sadie PETERS, Joseph PETERS and George PETERS
Regulation 28 Report – Action to Prevent Future Deaths**

Thank you for your letter dated 17th June 2016 written under regulation 28 of the Coroners (Investigations) Regulations 2013 Concerning the tragic death of Mrs Peters Joseph Peters and George Peters at The Plantation, Lingfield, Surrey on 30th December 2014.

I would like to take this opportunity to record my deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Peters family and to take the opportunity to thank you for your thorough review of the events relating to the fire at The Plantation.

We welcome your recommendations and comments around the work already completed by Surrey Fire and Rescue Service's (SFRS) and the Showmen's Guild of Great Britain.

I have set out the Surrey Fire and Rescue Service's (SFRS) response below. The matters of concern that you identify as relating to SFRS and associated recommendations are detailed in bold, and the SFRS's response is shown in italics.

Fitting of smoke detectors in all Mobile and Static Caravans

1 – Consideration should be given to maintaining or developing any existing programmes and, where appropriate, creating new programmes which are designed to raise awareness amongst people using or living in caravans, whether mobile or permanent, of the importance of fitting and maintaining a fully functioning smoke detector inside the caravan.

As you are aware following this and other incidents on static mobile home sites in Surrey, SFRS working with the Showmen's Guild of Great Britain, private site owners and local authorities landlords of council controlled site have visited all identified sites in Surrey offering and conducting community fire safety visits and fitting 1000s of free smoke alarms and where required carbon monoxide alarms.

We also continue to take a partnership agency approach that focuses on the most vulnerable members of these sites via a new risk assessed database that brings together NHS and other agency data on all properties across Surrey.

We are now planning to continue to raise and increase awareness of the importance of fitting and maintaining smoke alarms by working with the relevant agency and site owners to have a continuous message to those using or living in mobile or permanent caravans. It is planned that this will be in place by October 2016, but it should also be recognised that this also part of normal community safety work of raising the public awareness to a range of safety issues.

We also feel it is important that your issues are raised at a national level, to this end we have brought your recommendation to the attention of all Chief Fire Officers in England and Wales

Should you require any further information then please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Chief Fire Officer