

Nicola Jane Mundy Senior Coroner for South Yorkshire (East District)

	REGULATION 28 REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS
	THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO: Head Of Service Highways Doncaster MBC Regeneration & Environment Civic Building, 4th Floor DN1 3
1	CORONER
	I am Nicola Jane Mundy, Senior Coroner for South Yorkshire (East District)
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/ukpga/2009/25/schedule/5/paragraph/7 http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2013/1629/part/7/made
3	INVESTIGATION and INQUEST
	On 17/11/2014 I commenced an investigations into the deaths of Bartosz Kacper Bortniczak who died from multiple injuries including haemothorax and dislocated cervical spine, Blake Reece Cairns who died from multiple injuries including transacted thoracic aorta and by ventricular lacerations, Jordanna April Louise Goodwin who died from a fractured skull, Arpad Kore who died from a transacted thoracic aorta and Megan Lea Storey who died from intra pleural and intra-cerebral haemorrhage due to blunt trauma to the chest and head. The conclusion for each of the inquests was Accidental death.
4	CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH
5	On the 15 th November 2014 Bartosz Bortniczak was driving his motor vehicle along the A630 in Conisbrough. Blake Cairns, Jordanna Goodwin, Arpad Kore and Megan Storey were passengers in the vehicle. Mr Bortniczak entered a right hand bend on this stretch of road at a speed in the region of 73mph. As he steered through the bend he lifted his foot of the accelerator and/or braked causing the vehicle to spin, skid and cross to the opposing carriageway where it was in a collision with a vehicle travelling in the opposite direction. The five occupants of the vehicle being driven by Mr Bortniczak all suffered extensive injuries which rapidly proved to be fatal. Police Officers from the Traffic Division of South Yorkshire Police provided evidence that over the last 10 years there have been 18 incidents on this stretch of road, which included 10 fatalities and 2 serious injuries. The speed restriction is the National speed limit namely 60mph.
	CORUNER'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) The speed restriction up to and through the bend is 60mph but drops to 40mph after the bend. Given the number of incidents on this stretch of road it would appear more appropriate for the reduced speed restriction to apply prior to the bend which was the subject of these inquests. Given the number of incidents in this area, I am concern that to leave the speed restriction at sixty miles per hour leads to circumstances continuing to create a risk of other deaths occurring. In the circumstances, it is my view that the speed restriction of 40mph should be moved so that it is prior to the bend on this stretch of road.

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	In my opinion action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe you
	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 21 December 2015. 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.
8	COPIES and PUBLICATION
	I have sent a copy of my report to the Chief Coroner and to the following Interested Persons
	R James
	HutcheonSolicitors, and to the LOCAL SAFEGUARDING BOARD.
	I am also under a duty to send the Chief Coroner a copy of your response.
	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 27 October 2015
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	Signature
	Senior Coroner for South Yorkshire (East District)
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