
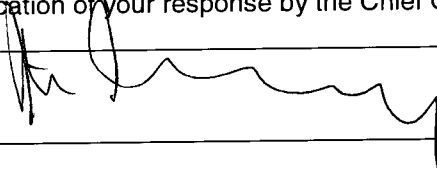


REGULATION 28: REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS

*NOTE: This form is to be used **after** an inquest.*

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| | REGULATION 28 REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO: Chief Executive UK , Apple |
| 1 | CORONER I am Sean Cummings assistant coroner for the coroner area of West London |
| 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. |
| 3 | INVESTIGATION and INQUEST On the 12th December 2016 I commenced an investigation into the death of Richard Anthony Bull. The investigation concluded at the end of the Inquest on 15th March 2017. The conclusion of the Inquest was Accidental Death, the medical cause of death being 1a Electrocutation. |
| 4 | CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH Mr Bull was discovered deceased by his wife in the bath at his home. He had his iPhone in his hand and this was attached to a charger which in turn was plugged into a socket in the hall. There was no evidence to support a contention that Mr Bull's electrocution had been deliberate. |
| 5 | <u>CORONER'S CONCERNS</u> 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 family expressed concern that phone chargers were not perceived to be risky items even in contact with water and that warnings should be highlighted in this respect. |
| 6 | ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN Consideration should be given to warnings within the item packaging that phone chargers bear all the risks of electrocution commonly associated with electrical equipment. |
| 7 | YOUR RESPONSE You are under a duty to respond to this report within 56 days of the date of this report, |

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| | <p>namely by the 5th July 2017. I, the coroner, may extend the period.</p> <p>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.</p> |
| 8 | <p>COPIES and PUBLICATION</p> <p>I have sent a copy of my report to the Chief Coroner and to the following Interested Person:</p> <p></p> <p>I am also under a duty to send the Chief Coroner a copy of your response.</p> <p>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.</p> |
| 9 | <p>10 May 2017 Assistant Coroner Sean Cummings</p>  |
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