## **REGULATION 28: REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS (1)**

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

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#### THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO:

1. Joseph Holt Ltd., The Brewery, Empire Street, Manchester M3 1JD

## 1 CORONER

I am John Stanley Pollard, Assistant Coroner for the Coroner Area of Manchester West.

# 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 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018, I commenced an Investigation into the death of Elaine Horrocks, aged 54 years, born 11<sup>th</sup> October 1963. The Investigation concluded at the end of the Inquest on the 30<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

The medical cause of death was:-

- Ia Bronchopneumonia and Pulmonary Oedema.
- Ib Blunt Force Head Injuries

The Conclusion of the Inquest was Accidental Death.

## 4 | CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH

She fell down the cellar steps at the Rose Hill Tavern, Westhoughton, when the door was left ajar. The system for getting to and from the cellar was agreed to be unsafe by the Landlady and by the Environmental Health Officer.

## 5 CORONER'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) There is an unsafe method of work in going to and from the cellar.
- (2) The cellar steps are insufficiently guarded against accidental entry by the public.

## **6** ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN

In my opinion urgent action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe that 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 26<sup>th</sup> July 2018. 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:-

- 1. (husband),
- 2. Environmental Health Office, Mayor Street, Bolton.
- 3. Licensee, The Rose Hill Tavern, Westhoughton

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	9	Dated	Signed
		31st May 2018	John S Pollard HM Assistant Coroner Manchester West