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CORONERS SOCIETY OF ENGLAND AND WALES

ANNEX A

REGULATION 28: REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS (1)

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

| | THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO: | |
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| | Ms. Becky Shaw – Chief Executive, East Sussex County Council Mr. Rupert Clubb – Director of Communities, Economy & Transport, East Sussex County Council | |
| 1 | CORONER | |
| | I am Gilva TISSHAW, Assistant Coroner, for the City of Brighton and Hove | |
| 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 25 th January 2020 I commenced an investigation into the death of Lesley POWELL The investigation concluded at the end of the inquest on 8th March 2021.The conclusion of the inquest was ROAD TRAFFIC COLLISION | |
| 4 | CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH Lesley Powell who was born on the 23rd January 1960, was walking home with her partner along the A2100, Battle Hill in a southerly direction. In the process of crossing the road, she was hit by a motor vehicle, sustaining significant injury. She died at the Royal Sussex County Hospital on the 4th January 2020 at 14:20 hours. | |
| 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 no safe crossing point on the A2100 Battle Hill, Battle, East Sussex in the vicinity of the Esso/Tesco Express Garage and shop (2) Between August 2016 and December 2019 there have been seven incidents of which:- i) Two were fatal (in one of which another pedestrian had life changing injuries) ii) Two included serious injury iii) Three included slight injuries Four of the incidents occurred in the vicinity of the section of road between St Mary's Villas and the entrance to the filling station. (3) Please see 10year collision history report attached. This does not include the road traffic collision on the 20 December 2019, which resulted in the death of Lesley Powell and serious injury to her partner |
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| 6 | ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN |
| | In my opinion action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe you AND your organisation 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 4 th June 2021 . 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 |
| | Son Daughter Partner Brother Secretary of State for Health, Department of Health Chief Executive, NHS England |
| | I have also sent it to:- |
| | 1. Sussex Road Traffic Police |
| | Who may find it useful or of interest. I am also under a duty to send the Chief Coroner a copy of your response. |

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| | 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. | | | |
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| 9 | Date: 12 th March 2021 SIGNED BY: | | | |
| | Assistant Coroner Brighton and Hove | | | |
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