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15<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Dear Ms Sutcliffe,

In response to your letter of August 11<sup>th</sup> 2017:

Firstly you restate that you asked for full details of the 47 whistle-blowers, then go on to state that you did not ask me to disclose the whistle-blowers' names.

**I emphasise again that you are already aware of the whistle-blowers' names and the providers involved, because the whistle-blowers reported concerns to CQC in the first place, so apart from the full information given to you by them, kindly inform me precisely what information you are requesting from me?**

In case this has not occurred to you **I would never disclose either a whistle-blower's identity or any information which could identify them**, so specify what information you are asking for.

Regarding the transcript from your speech at Brighton, this selective transcript excerpt makes **no mention of the fact that the Old Deanery whistle-blower, Karis Le-Winton attended the event and challenged your comments at the time from the floor**. You did not respond to Ms Le-Winton on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014, so why are you now three years later?

You state that your last letter confirmed that whistle-blowers from the Old Deanery had contacted you and that a subsequent inspection report was published in response to these

concerns and state these concerns to be about moving staff around to conceal staffing levels.

However whilst this was included in the issues reported it was only one of many concerns reported to you, the details of which were **never** included in your report. **This is a pattern of CQC behaviour all too familiar to me and was highlighted in the recent Times article by Andrew Norfolk on the alleged rape cover-up.**

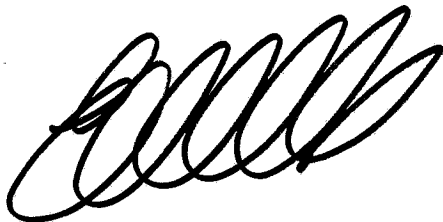
You assure me that your concern for whistle-blowers' confidentiality is of utmost importance, and yet your own internal emails paint a very different picture in relation to my confidentiality in respect of my former employer. I would remind you that on-going detriment to a whistle-blower from a former employer is recognised in law and that my open letter of 21st April 2017<sup>i</sup> (containing email correspondence including yourself) is one of a number to which the CQC Board has failed to respond.

It appears to me that you only want to respond to whistle-blowers when you fear your own reputation is in jeopardy. I need to point out that it is already damaged beyond repair.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Yours sincerely

Eileen Chubb

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Eileen Chubb', written in a cursive style.

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<sup>i</sup> <http://compassionincare.com/node/299>