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Ms Gemma Lovell  
The Penrose Inquiry  
44 Drumsheugh Gardens  
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13 July 2011

Dear Gemma

**HAEMOPHILIA SOCIETY - MEDICAL ADVISORY PANEL**

Further to our recent e-mail correspondence, I attach a copy of the document detailing the investigations carried out by the Haemophilia Society in relation to membership of the medical advisory panel.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

*Lyn Fraser*

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## Haemophilia Society Medical Advisory Committee Membership

This document sets out the steps which have been taken by the Haemophilia Society to identify the membership of the Medical Advisory Committee in the 1980's.

### INTERNAL SOURCES

#### Members Newsletters

The Haemophilia Society's members' newsletter was called the Bulletin at the time. Unfortunately the Society's files do not contain a complete record. All copies in the files have been scrutinised for information about the Medical Advisory Committee.

#### Annual Reports and Reviews

The Society has retained very few of these documents. However, those we have retained proved to be the best sources of information about the Medical Advisory Committee. From these records we discovered that:

In 1987 the Haemophilia Society medical advisory committee members were:

Professor A L Bloom, MB., CHB., MD., MRCP., FRCPPath.

Dr. B. Colvin, MA., MB., Mchir., MRCP. MRCPPath.

Dr. P. Jones, MD., FRCP., DCH.

Dr. P. Kernoff, MD., FRCP.,MRCPPath.

Dr. E. E. Mayne, MD., MRCP.,FRCPPath.

Dr. c. R. Rizza, MC., FRCP(Edinburgh).

Source: *Haemophilia Society Annual Review 1987*

In 1988 there had been two additions making it:

Professor A L Bloom, MB., CHB., MD., MRCP., FRCPPath.

Dr. B. Colvin, MA., MB., Mchir., MRCP. MRCPPath.

Dr. P. Jones, MD., FRCP., DCH.

Dr. P. Kernoff, MD., FRCP.,MRCPPath.

Dr. E. E. Mayne, MD., MRCP.,FRCPPath.

Dr. c. R. Rizza, MC., FRCP(Edinburgh).

Dr. E. G. D. Tuddenham, MD., MB., BS., FRCP., FRCPPath.

Dr. C. A. Ludlam, PhD., BSc., MB., ChB., FRCP, MRCPPath. (Co-opted)

Source: *Haemophilia Society Annual Report 1988*

#### Other Society file

Box files of Haemophilia Society documents have been retained but are not properly archived. They typically contain a wide variety of material and are not in any order. The Society has been systematically going through these box files looking for misfiled Annual Reports or other documents which could be relevant to the Inquiry or contain information about the Medical Advisory Committee. This process uncovered the most recent information about the membership of the advisory committee.

In 1981 the medical advisory committee members were:

Dr Rosemary Biggs

Prof. A L Bloom

Dr S H Davies

Prof G I C Ingram

Prof R M Hardisty

Dr P Jones

Dr C R Rizza

*Source: Haemophilia Society Council Meeting 1981*

### **Campaigning Members**

The Society is aware that in the past some of our members involved in the contaminated blood campaign have had access to Society files and have collected relevant documents from other sources. We therefore issued and email to all our active campaigning members asking them to search their own records for Annual Reports, Reviews or Bulletins containing information about the Medical Advisory Committee. So far this has not uncovered any documents we didn't already have. However, we will keep asking our members for any records they have retained.

### **Auditors**

We considered the possibility that our auditors in the relevant period may have retained copies of our annual reports on file. Our Auditors in the relevant period appear to have been Pridie Brewster. This firm has since been taken over by PKF (UK) LLP who have informed us that they do not have any records (see attachment).

### **The Charity Commission**

The Charity Commission have not retained any files from the Haemophilia Society in the relevant period (see attachment).

### **Wellcome Trust**

The Haemophilia Society has discovered that the Wellcome Trust Library catalogue contains some references to the Haemophilia Society. We understand that this includes some copies of the Haemofact publication. We are currently in the process of joining the Library so that we can access all the material they hold in the hope that we will uncover more information about the membership of the medical advisory committee.

### **Alan Tanner**

Our CEO, Chris James is in discussion with Alan Tanner to see if he can recall details of the membership or has retained any relevant documents.

**From:** CCD Email Team [mailto: [REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** 21 June 2011 17:13  
**To:** Dan Farthing  
**Subject:** 20110621 - Requests for Information - Farthing, Mr CC:04053027

Dear Mr Farthing,

**The Haemophilia Society - 288260**

Thank you for your e-mail.

Having searched our records I can confirm that the only information we have concerning the charity from either the 1970's or 1980's was the original Memorandum and Articles incorporated 21st October 1983 , shortly before the charity was registered on 30 November 1983 and the certificate of incorporation issued by companies house on the same date.

For your convenience I have attached copies of these documents to this e-mail.

I hope this is of some assistance.

Very often the fastest way to answer your enquiries will be to look on our website [www.charitycommission.gov.uk](http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk), especially the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) covering the main issues that we are being asked about. You will also find the latest news, together with our publications and guidance. You can even [sign up for email updates](#).

Yours sincerely

Dan Holliday

Charity Commission Direct

Question : Dear Charities Commission, The Haemophilia Society is currently a Core Participant in the Penrose Inquiry. The Inquiry was set up by the Scottish Government to investigate contaminated blood and blood products in Scotland.  
[www.penroseinquiry.org.uk](http://www.penroseinquiry.org.uk) Currently, the Inquiry is focusing on the pre-devolution period of the mid/late 1970s and the 1980s. They have asked us to provide some information about our funding during this period as well as some other governance related enquiries. Unfortunately, our own records do not really go back that far. It would be extremely helpful if we could get copies of any information you hold about us from the 1970s and 1980s. Any information you can provide us with would be gratefully received. With best wishes, Dan Farthing Policy and Communications Manager The Haemophilia Society

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