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5th February 2016

Memorandum of Understanding

Gatwick Detainee Welfare Group surgery sessions at Brook House IRC

Following on from a meeting on 1st February 2016 between representatives from the Brook House IRC Home Office Management, G4S Brook House IRC Management and Gatwick Detainee Welfare group (GDWG), it has been agreed that the following arrangements will be in place to accommodate GDWG surgery sessions at Brook House:

- GDWG are invited to the IRC as guests to attend the legal interview corridor to conduct surgery sessions with detainees.
- The purpose of the meetings is to allow for GDWG staff to conduct an initial interview with detainees in order to assess the individual needs of detainees and identify an appropriate GDWG visitor to attend for ongoing social visits.
- On occasion it may be in the interest of a detainee to have a further follow up meeting in private with GDWG staff. These will be exceptional circumstances requiring prior agreement with G4S and Home Office Management.
- Only DBS cleared GDWG staff will be permitted to attend private meetings with detainees, and evidence of this will be supplied to the Home Office.
- GDWG are invited to attend surgery sessions on Wednesday mornings, Wednesday
 afternoons and Thursday mornings each week. If for any reason that it is not possible to attend
 any of these sessions, the Switchboard team will be notified at the earliest opportunity so that
 interview rooms may be offered to other visitors.

As part of the GDWG surgery meetings with detainees it is critical that where any GDWG staff member has reasonable cause to believe that a detainee may be suffering or may be at risk of suffering significant harm, a member of Brook House IRC staff is notified immediately.

GDWG staff attending surgery meetings are prohibited from being a member or associate of British National Party, National Front, Combat 18, No Borders and National Coalition of Anti-Deportation Campaigns. Any association with prohibited organisations would result in the refusal of entry to the IRC.

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Cc:	'Haughton, Dan'; 'Stephen S	oKITT.		
Subject:	RE: Meeting			
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Hi James,				
The boardroom is availab	ole as a meeting room from 3pm – do	es that suit?		
I would like to clarify the	role that GDWG carry out in the cent	re and if we need to	revisit this.	
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Regards				
Paul Gasson				
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From: James Wilson [ma Sent: 03 March 2017 14	ailto: DPA	K	27	
To: Gasson Paul	:01			
Cc: 'Haughton, Dan'; 'Ste	onhan Ckitt!			
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Hi Paul,	in the second second			
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Could we make it 2pm of	n (Thursday 9 th)? It would be useful if	Dan and Steve can	make the meeting	g as well, though,
so I m nappy to be flexib	le around their availability.			
I'm sorry to hear you hav	ve concerns; we can of course discuss	them. Could you se	nd me some deta	ils in advance of
the meeting?		150		
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Thanks,				
James				
From: Gasson Paul [mail	to: DPA	1		
Sent: 03 March 2017 13:				
To: James Wilson	02			
Cc: 'Haughton, Dan'; 'Ste	enhen Skitt'			
Subject: RE: Meeting	priori dilec			
Thanks James,				
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9th or 10th suits me -flexit	ole with time.			
As well as a general upda	ite about the service, I also have a co	uple of concerns req	arding some of th	e
staff/volunteers at GDWG	which I'd like to raise and discuss.			
Dan, Steve.				

Would either of you be available on this day to join this meeting?

Regards

Paul Gasson

From: James Wilson [mailto: DPA

Sent: 03 March 2017 10:41

To: Gasson Paul

Cc: 'Stephen Skitt'; 'Haughton, Dan'

Subject: Meeting

Hi Paul,

Thanks very much for the email. Am very well, thanks. Hope all good with you too.

Yes, that would be great. I could currently meet any time on the 9th, 10th, 13th or 17th?

With many thanks,

James

James Wilson

Director

Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group (GDWG)

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From: Gasson Paul [mailto: DPA

Sent: 03 March 2017 10:37 To: James Wilson; 'Haughton, Dan'

Cc: 'Stephen Skitt'

Subject: RE: Meeting on Monday

Hi James,

I hope this email finds you well.

Would you be available in the next couple of weeks to meet up?

Regards

Paul Gasson

Immigration Manager - Brook House IRC

Home Office

Immigration Enforcement

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From: James Wilson [mailto: **DPA** Sent: 27 July 2016 13:13 To: Haughton, Dan; Neil Davies2; Gasson Paul Subject: Meeting on Monday Hi all, Many thanks for the meeting on Monday. I really appreciated your time and thoughts, and I hope we can build a strong working relationship. Please do raise any questions or concerns you have re GDWG's work, as we go on, and I will likewise contact with any questions as we go, if that's ok with you. As discussed, bimonthly meetings would be a very useful way to catch up. I am happy, of course, to come to Brook House, and meetings can be brief if there are not big discussion points when we come to the day, so hopefully these won't take up much of your time. Could we possibly put in a couple of meeting dates for the rest of the year? Might these work for you all? Tuesday 27th Sept - 2pm Tuesday 29th Nov - 2pm These are very tentative suggestions, and I have considerable flexibility at this point, so please let me know if these don't work. Thank you very much, speak to you soon, James James Wilson Director Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group (GDWG) **DPA** DPA www.gdwg.org.uk Follow us on Twitter: @GatDetainees

From: Haughton, Dan [mailto DPA Sent: 25 July 2016 09:46

To: James Wilson; Nell Davies2
Subject: RE: Meeting today

Morning James,

Yes still on for 1400. If you come to the staff entrance with your ID the staff will be expecting you

Regards

Dan Haughton

Support Services Manager G4S Care and Justice Services Custody & Detention Services

Brook House Immigration Removal Centre Perimeter Road South Gatwick RH60PQ

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From: James Wilson [mailto: DPA

Sent: 25 July 2016 09:26 To: Haughton, Dan; Neil Davies2

Subject: Meeting today

Morning both,

I just wanted you to check we were still ok to meet at 2pm today? Shall I come to the visitors' reception at Brook House?

Thank you, look forward to meeting you both,

James

James Wilson
Director

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From: Haughton, Dan [mailto:

DPA

Sent: 11 July 2016 13:28 **To:** James Wilson

Subject: RE: New at GDWG

Hi James,

Looking at our availabilty Monday 25th looks good at around 1400.

Regards

Dan Haughton

Support Services Manager

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From: James Wilson [mailto: DPA

Sent: 09 July 2016 13:31 **To:** Haughton, Dan

Cc: Neil Davies2; Gasson Paul Subject: RE: New at GDWG

Hi Dan,

Many thanks for your email, and that sounds great.

I could currently do any time on the below dates - let me know when might work for you?

Thurs 14th, Fri 15th, Mon 25th, Tues 26th, or Weds 27th.

Many thanks,

James

From: Haughton, Dan [mailto: DPA

Sent: 07 July 2016 11:09

To: James Wilson

Cc: Neil Davies2; Gasson Paul Subject: RE: New at GDWG

Hi James,

I think a meeting would be a good idea. What is your availability like for the next couple of weeks?

I no longer directly look after visits due to some internal restructuring. Neil Davies is now the functional head of Visits so I think it would be good for us all to get together and discuss your Ideas and go through the existing MOU.

Regards

Dan Haughton

Support Services Manager G4S Care and Justice Services Custody & Detention Services

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DPA DPA Please consider the environment before printing	g this e-mail		
From: James Wilson [mailto: DPA] Sent: 05 July 2016 14:08 To: Haughton, Dan Subject: New at GDWG			
Hi Dan,			
I hope all is well with you.			*
I wanted to drop you a line to introduce myself. I have re GDWG. I was wondering if we might be able to arrange (of course) to take up too much of your valuable time, it systems of support for detainees. We are in a fairly strovisiting more detainees than we are. I'm also wondering offer some aspects of our support so that we are both expour very busy staff. Thank you – very much look forward to hearing from your	a time to meet ove would be great to s ng position in terms g if there are a few t asier for detainees	r the next few weeks? speak with you about o s of our volunteer base things we could tweak to access, but also req	Without wanting our current e and could be in the way we
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James Wilson

From:	Stephen Skitt DPA	
Sent:	08 February 2017 11:39	
To:	James Wilson	
Cc:	Brown, Michelle	
Subject:	RE: Activity packs, payment plan, welfare team	
	The receiving pasto, payment plan, wender team	
Good morning James		
Good Morning James		
I am happy with the visits pa	cks and finance arrangements.	
Brown is the Functional Head	about the conversations she had with our welfare staff and as: d responsible for this area and she will need to make any agre portunity to discuss this with her yet.	
Regards		
Steve		
From: James Wilson [mailto Sent: 07 February 2017 11:1 To: Stephen Skitt Subject: Activity packs, payo Hi Steve,	13	
Ana forwarded me your ema	il as below.	
	help with this. We are very pleased to be able to bring activity to include some language practice as part of our visits, where i	
I also really appreciate the fle confirm the best email addre	exibility on making payments in exceptional circumstances. Coess for us to use to reach the finance department as and when	ould you possibly just this is needed?
with the welfare officers abo positive. If you are happy for	tting with the welfare team: as you advised Ana, we have subsout this. We have spoken with Octavian and Terisha and their read to proceed, we will have a member of the team sitting wit y 3 rd March. Please let me know if we need to chat further about	response was very h welfare on Friday
Thank you very much – very	much appreciated.	
James		
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From: Ana Szopa

Sent: 03 February 2017 09:29 **To:** Naomi Blackwell; James Wilson

Subject: FW: Activity pack in the visits room

From: Stephen Skitt [mailto: DPA

Sent: 03 February 2017 09:19

To: Ana Szopa; Slattery, Susannah; Khameer Limbachia; Nighat Mirza; Octavian Strat; Terisha Crepin; Sunil Sharma;

Owen Syred

Cc: Brown, Michelle

Subject: RE: Activity pack in the visits room

Good morning Ana

In response to our chat the other day I have no concerns about activity packs being left in the visits room and thank you for taking the time to do this initiative.

In response to the payment plan agreement I have discussed this with our finance department and we can assist with this without any signed agreement. During Monday to Friday if you e mail our finance department they will issue up to a maximum of £20 to a nominated detainee with an e mail from yourselves and you repay us back within 2 working days Sue Slattery is our finance Manager and is aware of this.

If on a weekend then if you contact the welfare team followed by a confirmation e mail they can contact our Oscar 1 who can issue up to a maximum of £20 and again repay this back within 2 working days

Hope that helps

Steve

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James Wilson

From:

James Wilson

Sent:

29 March 2017 15:34

To:

Gasson Paul

Cc:

Haughton, Dan; Stephen Skitt

Subject:

RE: Follow-up from meeting / future meetings

Dear Paul,

Thank you again for our meeting on 9th March. I really appreciate your, Dan and Steve's time and hope we can continue with regular meetings – thank you for arranging the catch-up on 8th June.

I have not yet had a chance to work on the MOU draft - my apologies for that. I will get a new draft to you before Easter.

I wanted to response to the three issues that you raised during the meeting. If I misunderstood any of the points raised, or missed anything, or if you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Firstly, there was a request that we always ask for management approval before seeing a detainee for a second time at the drop-in. I have clarified this with the team here. After subsequent clarification from Dan, we will be emailing Dan, Steve and Carrie Dance-Jones on every individual occasion that we want to arrange a second drop-in slot with a detainee, and asking for approval. We are happy with this arrangement, and I hope this is all ok with you. As I mentioned in the meeting, there are a number of reasons why we may wish to see a detainee for a second time, and I am happy to elaborate if ever needed.

Secondly, you were concerned about a comment by an Italian national seen by Ana Szopa at our drop-in on 22nd February this year. The detainee was apparently signed up to leave the UK voluntarily, but allegedly left the legal visits area stating that he now believed there was a different route available. I have investigated and spoken with Ana, but I am not sure which meeting this concern relates to. Ana saw no detainees on 22nd February; she saw four detainees on 20th February, but none was an Italian national. If you have more information I can of course look into it. As a general point, as you know our work sometimes includes referring to solicitors or helping stay in touch with existing solicitors. We do not provide immigration advice ourselves; we are not solicitors or OISC-regulated. All staff and volunteers receive training on this point. If you ever felt any of our staff or volunteers had given immigration advice, please contact me as soon as possible.

Thirdly, you were concerned about Martin Powys-Lybbe's letters to G4S and to the immigration minister. I have subsequently met with Martin and seen copies of the letters in question. I have advised him that we (GDWG) would prefer visitors to raise any concerns re any aspect of detention at Brook or Tinsley with the GDWG office first. This is both because we may be able to clarify some questions ourselves without troubling centre management, and because we value our working relationship with G4S and most concerns would be best addressed in informal conversations between myself and local management.

While this is our preference, I assume, nevertheless, that under your complaints policy Martin does retain the right to make complaints about any aspects of visiting, and to receive a response. With regard to Martin's wider concerns raised in the letter to the immigration minister, again our preference would be that they are first raised with the GDWG office, though Martin explained that his contact was initially with his MP and included concerns about issues beyond detention (including the European refugee crisis). Obviously Martin retains his right to raise any concerns he wishes as a constituent.

You raised a particular concern regarding Martin's comment in his letter to the immigration minister about the treatment of suicidal detainees. I have reminded Martin that our policy requires all volunteers to raise serious concerns about detainee welfare with the office for appropriate follow-up.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions on above.

With many thanks,

James

James Wilson

Director

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From: Gasson Paul [mailto:

DPA

Sent: 28 March 2017 09:56

To: James Wilson

Cc: Haughton, Dan; Stephen Skitt

Subject: RE: Follow-up from meeting / future meetings

Thanks James,

I have sent a calendar invite for the June meeting.

Quarterly meetings sound appropriate to me.

I look forward to receiving your response and any draft amendments to the MOU

Regards

Paul Gasson

From: James Wilson [mailto:

DPA

Sent: 13 March 2017 15:53

To: Gasson Paul

Cc: Haughton, Dan; Stephen Skitt

Subject: Follow-up from meeting / future meetings

Dear Paul,

I hope you had a good weekend.

Thank you very much for the meeting last week. I really appreciated your, Dan and Steve's time, the chance to catch-up and the opportunity to address some current concerns. I particularly appreciated the honest and positive conversation we were able to have; we continue to value highly our good working relationship with the Home Office and with G4S.

I am investigating the concerns you raised regarding our staff and volunteers. I will respond to you in detail and in writing by **Wednesday 29th March.** I apologise that this is over 2 weeks away, but it will take me a little while to speak to all the relevant parties.

When I write to you, I will endeavour to send you a revised MOU draft at the same time for your comments and consideration.

I would welcome quarterly meetings with you if this is possible – hopefully this would not normally take much of your time, but would allow a regular chance to catch-up. Could we pencil in the below dates, if convenient for you

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(and Dan and Steve)? I appreciate that we will need to arrange a time to sign a revised MOU when this is

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James Wilson

From:	Haughton, Dan { DPA
Sent:	22 March 2017 13:04
То:	Naomi Blackwell
Cc:	James Wilson; Stephen Skitt; Dance-Jones, Carrie; Paul Gasson
Subject:	RE: Repeat visits
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Hi Naomi,	
TII Naomi,	
It's not a problem.	
it shot a problem.	
M/s should be as to the survey to the	and the Control of th
we should keep to the current Memo	orandum of Understanding which states:
assess the individual needsOn occasion it may be in the	s is to allow for GDWG staff to conduct an initial interview with detainees in order to of detainees and identify an appropriate GDWG visitor to attend for ongoing social visits. Interest of a detainee to have a further follow up meeting in private with GDWG staff. Tournstances requiring prior agreement with G4S and Home Office Management.
During our recent meeting with Jame this would be to identify another GDV	s, it was agreed that should a follow up surgery appointment be required the purpose of WG visitor should the original matching not be appropriate.
So moving forward any requests shou	ıld be given prior permission before progressing.
In the event that I am not on site ther	n the following people can be contacted in relation to this:
Stephen Skitt – Deputy Director – Caz Dance-Jones – Security Manager	
We will continue to meet with James	regularly and any proposed changes to the existing MOU can be discussed.
Regards	
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Dan Haughton	
Support Services Manager	
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To: Haughton, Dan Cc: James Wilson Subject: Repeat visits

Dear Dan,

Apologies for eating into your time, but I just wanted to clarify this so we are all clear. Are you happy for us to request repeat (drop-in) visits and attend, provided we have informed you prior to the visit, i.e. we don't need to wait for your permission?

Many thanks,

Naomi

Naomi Blackwell
Advocacy Coordinator
Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group
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James Wilson				-
From:	Haughton, Dan	DPA		
Sent:	06 April 2017 16:04			
To:	Naomi Blackwell			
Cc:	James Wilson; Stephen Skit	tt: Paul Gasson		
Subject:	RE: Repeat visit - DPA			
Hi,				
Thank you for raising concerns a	bout redacted have you ra	ised these concerns with th	ne officers at Broo	k House before?
I have passed your concerns aboregistered mental health nurse i	out redacted s mental healt if this is not already in place.	h to our health care team w	/ho will refer him	to see our onsite
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Regards				
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From: Naomi Blackwell [mailto:

DPA

Sent: 06 April 2017 14:55 To: Haughton, Dan

Cc: James Wilson

Subject: Repeat visit - DPA

Hi Dan,

redacted

He is unable to correspond with us meaningfully via telephone or fax. We have concerns regarding his mental health and would like to maintain regular contact with him in order to be able to effectively support him until his mental health improves.

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Kind regards,		
Naomi		
Naomi Blackwell Advocacy Coordinator Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group t: DPA f: DPA www.gdwg.org.uk		
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Hì Naomi,		
Can I ask why he would be need to seen again? His visits recor 31/03 and seen by GDWG on 29/03	ds show he has been seen in the drop in sur	gery on 22/03 and
Regards		
Dan Haughton Support Services Manager Custodial & Detention Services G4S Care and Justice Services (UK) Ltd Brook House Immigration Removal Centre Perimeter Road South Gatwick Airport West Sussex RH6 OPQ		
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From: Naomi Blackwell [mailto: DPA] Sent: 06 April 2017 11:36 To: Haughton, Dan; James Wilson Cc: Stephen Skitt Subject: Repeat visit		
Dear Both,		
Re: redacted		ş

Would it be possible to see the above-named for a repeat drop-in tomorrow?

Kind regards, Naomi Naomi Blackwell Advocacy Coordinator Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group t: DPA) f: DPA www.gdwg.org.uk Please note I work Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays Follow us on Twitter: @GatDetainees and Facebook Please consider the environment before printing this email. This communication may contain information which is confidential, personal and/or privileged. It is for the exclusive use of the intended recipient(s). If you are not the intended recipient(s), please note that any distribution, forwarding, copying or use of this communication or the information in it is strictly prohibited. If you have received it in error please contact the sender immediately by return e-mail. Please then delete the e-mail and any copies of it and do not use or disclose its contents to any person. Any personal views expressed in this e-mail are those of the individual sender and the company does not endorse or accept responsibility for them. Prior to taking any action based upon this e-mail message, you should seek appropriate confirmation of its authenticity.

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James Wilson DPA Stephen Skitt From: Sent: 26 April 2017 11:22 James Wilson; Levett Simon DPA To: Haughton, Dan RE: Meeting Subject: **Good Morning James** Due to unforeseen circumstance I will need to reschedule our meeting. In regards to attendance this meeting is to discuss an MOU with yourselves and a number of local issues that involve your staff support, and I do not feel it appropriate to involve other organisations at this point, you can of course outside of this speak with AVID and they can offer you some advice. James could you please advise me of some more dates we can all get together. Kind Regards Steve Steve Skitt Deputy Director Gatwick IRCs **Custodial and Detention Services** G4S Care and Justice Services (UK) LTD

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Good morning James

Reference a meeting 1100 hrs on the 12th May is good in regards to other organisations visiting at this meeting it is only appropriate we meet with yourselves as our MOU is with you.

Regards

Steve

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From: Stephen Skitt [mailto:

Sent: 19 April 2017 11:17

To: James Wilson

Subject: Re: Detainee interpreting at visit

Good morning James I am getting numerous requests for translators can we please discuss before I make any further decisions

DPA

Regards					
G.					
Steve					
Sent from my Samsung device					
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Original message From: James Wilson DPA					
Date: 19/04/2017 10:04 am (GMT+00:	00)				
To: Stephen Skitt DPA	<u>,,</u>				
Subject: Detainee interpreting at visit					
Hi Steve,					
in steve,					
I hope you had a nice Easter.					
I'm sorry to chase but could you let me kn	ow about belo	w when you can – j	ust as Angie is ar	ixious to see this	
vulnerable detainee as soon as she can.					
Many thanks,	8				
James					
From: James Wilson					
Sent: 13 April 2017 16:02 To: 'Stephen Skitt'					
Subject: Detainee interpreting at visit					
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Hi Steve,					
I hope all's well with you.					
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Would it possible for permission to be gra	nted for reda	cted to accompar	v reducted o subse	quent visits that	dacted 1
books with redacted. We are concerned that					
and a vital form of social support will not be					
English and we would hope that the need				Date Francisco	T
Many thanks for your help.					
Have a good Easter,					
James					
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James Wilson Safer Community Gatwick <safercommunitygatwick@gmail.com> From: Sent: 26 April 2017 17:58 To: James Wilson Subject: Re: Urgent - detainee at risk Hello James Thank you for raising your concerns about redacted **redacted** is currently on a constant supervision so we are reviewing him daily. I will forward this information on to the management team for consideration at his next case review. Once again thank you for raising your concerns. Kind Regards James Begg Detainee Custody Manager Safer Community Brook House IRC On Tue, Apr 25, 2017 at 4:53 PM, James Wilson < Hi there, My colleague Ana Szopa spoke with detainee redacted a few minutes ago and were highly concerned about his well-being. I believe you are already aware of his imminent thoughts of self-harm and suicidal feelings. He is on E wing. When speaking to us this afternoon he was standing in the yard and appeared to be in close proximity to an officer. He said he would swallow a razor blade rather than go back to E wing. Ana spoke to him to try to calm him down and we are arranging one of our experienced visitors to arrange a visit to him to offer some additional emotional support.

redacted is very young and highlighted to us that is finding the isolation of E wing extremely difficult, and that he would not feel such extreme urges to self-harm if he were to be accommodated with other detainees. I would be very grateful if you could review his present arrangements in light of this.

Please do not hesitate to contact me.

With all best wishes,

James

James Wilson

Director

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James Wilson

Janies Wilson			
From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:	Ana Szopa 04 May 2017 13:48 Haughton, Dan James Wilson repeat visit		
Dear Dan,			
I wanted to request a r	epeat visit with redacted tomorrow mo	orning please.	
I believe him to be very concerns.	vulnerable and underage - I have already m	nade the safer community team aware of	my
	mething to me that we ran out of time for o		refore it
I would appreciate it if	you could let me know before tomorrow if t	this is alright.	
Many thanks in advanc Ana Emilia Szopa	e,		
Advocacy Coordinator Please note I only work	Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays		
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James Wilson					
From: Sent: To: Subject:	Ana Szopa 04 May 201 James Wils FYI - repeat	17 16:59 son			
Hi James,	×				
I hope Cornwall is lovel	yl	,			
House yesterday. I have everything is fully book Council could act asap. sharing a room with ad "To put it bluntly: no. T developed into a welfa of your drop in. The desupport plan with him a	e referred him to the Fed until then. I asked I also referred him to ults. This is what Dan there has been scruting re surgery. This is not etainee has been integrand he likes it." He also	oings on at GDWG: I Refugee Council but the Dan for a repeat visit to the safer community to said to me: by from outside and con- its intended purpose. F grated into the general parts of said that the MOU and we maybe it would be	ey are unable to see him of get consent forms sign arm because he is 14(!! cerns raised about your rom the HO's point of vopopulation and is doing ind the purpose of the se	n until Monday because ned so that the Refuge (1) and he is scared of (1) or drop-ins. It has view this not the purpe (2) well. We have built the essions would be	se ee
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Naomi Blackwell

From: Sent: To: Subject:	Haughton, Dan ∢ 12 May 2017 14:31 Naomi Blackwell RE: Repeat visit	DPA		
Hi Naomi,				ę.
Apologies for the delay I was out of	the office yesterday and a	m only just catching u	p on emails.	
If the repeat is to source redacted ano	ther social visitor then I am	happy for him to be	seen again.	
Regards				
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Dan Haughton				
Support Services Manager				
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From: Naomi Blackwell [mailto: Sent: 11 May 2017 10:00	DPA			
To: Haughton, Dan		5.		
Subject: Repeat visit				
Morning Dan,				
I wonder whether I could see				
Many thanks,				
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James Wilson

From:

James Wilson

Sent:

12 June 2017 14:52

To:

Stephen Skitt; Haughton, Dan; Gasson Paul

Subject:

Meeting last week

Dear all,

Many thanks again for the meeting last week. I really appreciated the opportunity to talk through the proposed MOU and current work.

I will work on the MOU draft, in light of our discussion last week, and send you an updated version. This will be after our board meeting on 22nd June, but I will aim to be in touch with you as soon as possible after that.

All being well, we can hopefully meet to sign the MOU within the next couple of months. We had also discussed, at our previous meeting, putting in a quarterly meeting so that we can touch base regularly on anything that is happening. I hope this will be possible; I am very conscious of your busy schedules and I don't believe the meetings will usually need to be lengthy, but I really appreciate having a positive and communicative link with you and wish this to continue. I think we had previously suggested the below meeting dates for later in the year — could you possibly let me know if these still work for you? If not, I am happy to suggest new dates / times.

- -Thursday 7th September (3pm)
- -Thursday 7th December (3pm)

I mentioned during our meeting that we try to run a focus group with detainees (probably a group of 5-10) every two years to collect feedback on our work. We would like to arrange this for later in the summer, if at all possible. My colleague Anna Pincus has run these sessions in the past. I would be grateful if you could let me know who we can follow up with to arrange this session.

Finally, for now, I was grateful to Steve for raising the concern about our implying the provision of counselling, and was sorry we weren't able to finish this conversation. If you feel that we had somehow stepped over a line of what is acceptable, please do let me know. We are not counsellors and are clear that we are not providing a therapeutic or psychiatric service to detainees. However, being a listening ear, a befriender and a form of emotional support for detainees who need someone to talk to is at the core of what we do. The distinction between providing emotional support and befriending, as opposed to counselling, feels clear to me (one I am very familiar with from other jobs and from being a volunteer with Samaritans elsewhere). If we need to discuss further, though, please do say.

Thank you very much again for your ongoing support,

James

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Director

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James Wilson From: Stephen Skitt DPA Sent: 07 August 2017 09:45 To: James Wilson Subject: Contact Good morning James At our meetings we have held we discussed and I informed you that if any of your staff had any concerns about a detainee they were to inform a member of my staff or the Duty Director. Can you please reinforce this message to all your staff as some are contacting other agencies without raising this with us. Thanks Steve Steve Skitt Deputy Director Gatwick IRCs **Custodial and Detention Services** G4S Care and Justice Services (UK) LTD **Brook House IRC** Perimeter Road South **Gatwick Airport** West Sussex RH6 OPQ Tel: DPA Mob: Email ! **DPA**

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From: Sent: To: Subject:	Stephen Skitt √ 08 August 2017 07:29 James Wilson RE: Meeting)	
Thank you James these	issues will be better discussed w	hen we meet.		
Regards	· ·			
Steve				
Steve Skitt Deputy Director Gatw Custodial and Detentio G4S Care and Justice Se Brook House IRC Perimeter Road South Gatwick Airport West Sussex RH6 OPQ	n Services			
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From: James Wilson [mailto: DPA Sent: 07 August 2017 15:23
To: Stephen Skitt
Subject: RE: Meeting

Hi Steve,

Thanks. The below was to Dan, so I'm not sure why there would be an issue?

Re. IMB: I would assume it's a matter for them where any contact we have is appropriate or not?

Appreciate if you can give us much information as possible before we meet, though happy to discuss regardless.

Many thanks,

James

From: Stephen Skitt [mailto: DPA

Sent: 07 August 2017 13:49

To: James Wilson Subject: RE: Meeting

James please see below and your staff contacting the IMB about certain cases and looking for them to help

The IMB are a separate Independent Monitoring board

Regards

Steve

From: Anna Pincus [mailto: DPA

Sent: 07 August 2017 10:10

To: Haughton, Dan Subject: redacted

Hello Dan

I met a detainee that I was concerned about last week and in view of the symptoms of stress he is manifesting, I wonder whether you would consider moving him to Tinsley House where the environment might give him fewer triggers for post traumatic stress from his time of imprisonment in Turkey. Obviously you know the case much better than I, but I would appreciate any consideration you can give the request particularly at a time when his stress is likely to escalate with his partner being about to have a baby without him there.

With many thanks and all good wishes,

Anna Pincus Senior Caseworker and Outreach Co-ordinator GDWG

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From: James Wilson [mailto: Sent: 07 August 2017 13:30 To: Stephen Skitt; Haughton, Dan	DPA		
Cc: Gasson Paul	DPA	; Saunders, Ben	n
Thanks Steve – please let me know	possible dates wh	nen you can	
If you could let me know details of possible.	any concerns befo	ore we meet, we'll be able to hav	e as productive a meeting as
Many thanks,		(2)	
James			
James Wilson Director	J		
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From: Stephen Skitt [mailto:] Sent: 07 August 2017 13:13 To: James Wilson; Haughton, Dan	DPA		
Cc: Gasson Paul (Subject:	DPA	Saunders, Ben	
Good afternoon James			

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We now have another concern regarding interventions of your staff, in order to discuss these with you and complete

the final details of the MOU it is probably best we meet soon so we can deal with these issues.

Dan could you please arrange a suitable date.

Regards

Steve

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James Wilson		
From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:	Michael Wells DPA 15 August 2017 11:28 Ana Szopa safercommunitygatwick@gmail.com; Stephen Skitt; H RE: redacted	Haughton, Dan; James Wilso
Categories:	Monitoring info	3
Dear Ana,	9 (1)	
Many thanks for your ema	il expressing your concern for redacted	redacted
I can confirm that the hea	thcare department are aware of this patient and are caring	L
Kind Regards Michael	redacte	redacted)
Michael Wells Healthcare Practice Mana Gatwick Immigration Rem G4S Health Services (UK) L	oval Centres	
Tel: DPA Email: DPA Address: Brook House IRC	Perimeter Road South, Gatwick, West Sussex, RH6 0PQ	
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From: Ana Szopa [mailto: Sent: 15 August 2017 11: To: Michael Wells Cc: DPA Subject: FW: redacted		
Dear all,		
than a few minutes at a tir Sensitive/Irrelevant cannot do basic things suc	mail to you sent last week about redacted DOB redacted me due to his legs and especially his feet Sensitive/Irre t and he cannot balance on them for very long. He is h as shower or carry food on a tray without help from others ut was told that he was not allowed to bring it into the centr	elevant His feet wer s in a great deal of pain and rs. He was in a wheelchair

Please can you clarify why you are unable to provide him crutches or a wheelchair at this point? If it is an issue of cost we would be happy to bring in a pair of crutches for him.

Many thanks in advance, Ana Emilia Szopa	
Advocacy Coordinator Monday - Thursday	
Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group t: DPA f: DPA www.gdwg.org.uk	redacted
From: Ana Szopa Sent: 10 August 2017 15:33 To: 'DPA; 'Stephen Skitt' Subject: redacted;	
I met Mr redacted DOB redacted in my drop-in yesterday. A Sensitive/Irrelevant His feet especially were badly damaged walk for more than a few minutes at a time and frequently falls of unable to get to the shower on his own and other detainees have	d and are now unable to support him. He cannot over trying to get up and down the stairs. He is
I understand that there are safety procedures you need to follow wheelchair. Can you please advise on how much longer he will h an issue of cost, we have a pair of crutches that we could bring in	have to wait before they are provided to him? If it is
Would it also be possible for you to refer him to the occupationa	ıl therapist please?
Many thanks in advance, Ana Emilia Szopa	
Advocacy Coordinator Monday - Thursday	
Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group t:	
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Sent:	05 August 2017 10:47	
To:	Naomi Blackwell	
Cc:	James Wilson	
Subject:	RE: Disputed minor	
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Dear Naomi		
independent monitors we ar bring to management's atter	ide our remit and I don't think it appropriate that we should follow your request up a looking to see that the system is working well and picking up problems which we tion. In this case there is no indication that the correct procedures are not being tle GDWG's role which does a wonderful job of supporting individual detainees. The	can
If you have concerns about a pass the information to the I	detainee we should always be more than glad to hear from you and where approp rook House Safeguarding Manager, whose specific role is to protect the vulnerable	riate 2.
Regards		
Regards		
Inchia Calbran		
Jackie Colbran		
IMB		
From: Naomi Blackwell [mail	O: DPA	
Sent: 04 August 2017 13:12		
To: Jackie Colbran	DPA	
Subject: Disputed minor		
Dear Jackie,		
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Hope all is well.		
napa ana arang		
There is a disputed minor at	rook House, redacted), an Albanian boy. I saw him at our drop-in today.	
	rook rouse, redacted y, an Albaman boy, i saw min at our drop-in today.	
removal, but this has now be	sley House for a month and was transferred to Brook House in preparation for his en stayed. He requested a transfer back to Tinsley two days' ago and I wonder whe ck that his request will be dealt with.	ther
Many thanks,		
Naomi		
Naomi Blackwell Advocacy Coordinator Gatwick Detainees Welfare G t: DPA f: DPA www.gdwq.org.uk		
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From:

Stephen Skitt DPA

Sent:

18 August 2017 16:45

To: Subject: James Wilson; Gasson Paul RE: Meeting this afternoon

Categories:

Monitoring info

Thank you James for the update and your actions we will confirm a date for our next meeting shortly

Regards

Steve

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From: James Wilson [mailto:	DPA	
Sent: 18 August 2017 16:37		
To: Stephen Skitt; Gasson Paul		
Subject: Meeting this afternoon		

Hi both,

Thank you for the useful meeting this afternoon. I very much appreciate your raising concerns directly and us having the chance to discuss them.

I have contacted all GDWG staff immediately and asked them to – in case where they have concerns about a detainee which they are considering raising – discuss with me so that I can make any appropriate contact with the IRC. I hope this will help alleviate any concerns you have about the type of issue raised, and the manner with which this is done.

As discussed, it would be good if we could arrange another meeting for a few weeks' time to follow up on this. Would any of the below dates work for you?

Wednesday 20th September (anytime) Thursday 21st September (afternoon) Monday 25th September (anytime) Tuesday 26th September (anytime)

With many thanks, and wishing you good weekends,

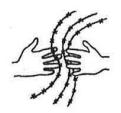
James

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Director
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Dear Steve,

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cc. Paul Gasson – Immigration Manager, Br	ook House IRC
25 th September 2017	

Meeting between G4S, Home Office and Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group on 18 August 2017

Thank you for taking the time to meet with me last month. This letter sets out some of the information you and Paul requested during our discussions and contains some suggestions for the efficient management of our future meetings.

The work of Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group

At the meeting you requested information concerning the remit of the organisation and the work we undertake during our drop-in sessions at Brook House. As you will be aware, GDWG has a long history of working in this area as we have been visiting detention centres in the Gatwick area for more than 22 years. Given our extensive experience of working in the detention sector, our organisation has developed over time and so I am happy to take this opportunity to provide a written explanation of the present parameters of our work.

In summary, GDWG's remit is to provide practical and emotional support for people who are held in immigration detention. We have a network of volunteers who are available to regularly visit detainees. The visitors form the core of our work: they are not professional counsellors; their role is to meet detainees and to offer sympathy, constructive advice, practical help and friendship to ameliorate the experience of detention.

In addition, GDWG employs a small team of advocacy co-ordinators who offer practical help to detainees focussed on the following areas:

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- Assessing whether a detainee wishes to have a visitor. This entails understanding the needs of the individual detainee and matching them to the right volunteer visitor and a careful explanation of the limits of the role of visitors.
- Helping detainees maintain contact with the community outside detention. This includes offering a small amount of top-up mobile phone card credit to detainees and helping families to make the practical arrangements to visit loved-ones in detention.
- Assisting people who are removed and are destitute. This is generally with a small amount of money to help with travel onwards from the airport in another country and can also involve helping to maintain contact during the time of removal with family or friends both in the UK and abroad.
- Supporting detainees who are released from detention and who may be dispersed into a new area with the initial practical matters of such a move, including access to local community groups and obtaining financial support.
- Providing extra clothing for people who are in detention with limited belongings.
- Liaising with legal representatives and sign-posting detainees who lack representation to publicly funded legal advice.
- Sign-posting and referring detainees to external organisations for additional support or assistance. This includes registered charities such as Bail for Immigration Detainees and Medical Justice.

Our advocacy co-ordinators also seek to help detainees navigate systems within detention. Where appropriate they can also help individual detainees with understanding and engaging with (for example) the following:

Complaints processes.

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- The possibility of contacting external organisations such as the Independent Monitoring Board (or their MP).
- Understanding additional sources of support accessible within detention with external organisations such as RAPT, Samaritans and the Red Cross.

You will also be aware that in addition to working directly with individuals in detention, GDWG also has a history of wider work including research and pressing for reform of the detention system. We liaise closely with the Association of Visitors to Immigration Detention and have been publishing research since 2005. (This information is available on our website). Through the Detention Forum and our own Refugee Tales project, we call for an end to indefinite detention.

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Drop-in sessions

At our recent meeting there was a request for clarity about the work completed at drop-in sessions. As this issue has previously been raised in other meetings, I hope it will be helpful for you to have this information in writing.

As you know, we presently hold 3 drop-in sessions a week for detainees at Brook House. At these sessions we are generally meeting a detainee for the first time with little information about their circumstances provided beforehand. You will appreciate that there is a good deal of information to cover at such a first meeting: an understanding of the detainee's circumstances and current issues, an explanation of the help we can offer and a clear explanation of the limitations of the role of GDWG.

At each drop-in session, the individual attending from GDWG will need to consider which elements of our work (as outlined earlier in this letter) is relevant to the individual detainee. The conversation is further complicated by the fact that the detainee may have limited English and may be having an emotional response to the fact of detention. We are therefore grateful for the courtesy of having access to the legal visits rooms for these meetings which allow them to take place in appropriately quiet and calm conditions.

Concerns you raised

At our recent meeting you raised a number of concerns, relating to:

- GDWG's approach to referrals to IMB and RAPT;
- GDWG's emails to G4S regarding concerns about individual detainees.

I will be in contact with both the IMB and RAPT in an effort to ensure that we are making appropriate referrals to both organisations. Clearly the way that GDWG seeks to make referrals is most properly dealt with between ourselves and the organisation we have contacted.

With regard to GDWG's contact with G4S, the two incidents you raised related to a request for a detainee to have a transfer to another detention centre and a concern about the lack of provision of assistive equipment to a detainee with burned feet. My understanding is that your concern was over the tone of the emails rather than the individual member(s) of staff contacted.

My own view, upon careful review of the emails you highlighted, is that their tone was not disrespectful. However, clearly the tone of written communication can be a particularly subjective matter. I am happy to continue the arrangement I offered immediately after our meeting where I will be the individual conduit for any concerns raised to you by GDWG for the time being.

Future conduct of meetings between G4S/Home Office/GDWG

As you will appreciate from the length of this letter, I have given careful thought to our last meeting. I would like to bring a trustee with me to future meetings. In future, to support a more focussed and fruitful approach to our further meetings, I would also be grateful if we could agree a brief agenda beforehand, and that if you

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have concerns about the conduct of GDWG then a short summary of your concerns should also be provided in advance. This will enable me to ensure I have all the relevant information for the meeting. This can only help shorten such meetings and to allow for clearer and more focussed discussions.

I look forward to meeting you again when possible. If you have any questions or concerns about this letter, please let me know in writing.

Finally, to end on a positive note, I was really encouraged to hear you say at the meeting that you felt that in 99.9% of cases that GDWG was doing good work. I hope that with a continuance of the dialogue between us that we can work usefully together.

James Wilson Director Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group (GDWG) DPA

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Yours sincerely,

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Naomi Blackwell		
From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:	Anton Bole 2017 09:18 Naomi Blackwell Stephen Skitt RE: Referrals	DPA }
Hi Naomi, I am not allowed to give any info Stephen Skitt who can give you r		estions. It would be the best to contact Deputy Director
Kind regards,		
Anton Bole Team Leader The FORWARD Trust (Formally Research House IRC Perimeter Road South Gatwick Airport West Sussex RH60PQ Tel: DPA E-mail: DPA Web: www.forwardtrust.org.uk		
Tronii Hadiii Biadiii I	DPA	
Sent: 27 September 2017 21:27 To: Anton Bole Subject: RE: Referrals		
Dear Anton,		
Can you tell me when you were i	nformed this and by whom	n? If you get a chance, can we discuss this?
Many thanks,		
Naomi		
Naomi Blackwell Advocacy Coordinator Gatwick Detainees Welfare Grou t: DPA f: DPA www.gdwg.org.uk	<u>p</u>]	

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From: Anton Bole [mailto: Sent: 27 September 2017 11:03

To: Naomi Blackwell Subject: RE: Referrals Dear Naomi,

I hope you are well. I was informed that referral process has to go through Wellfare Office please.

Kind regards,

Anton Bole

Team Leader

The FORWARD Trust (Formally RAPt)

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From: Naomi Blackwell DPA

Sent: 27 September 2017 10:35

To: Anton Bole **Subject:** Referrals

Dear Anton,

Hope you are well.

Can you confirm we both continue to agree that we can refer cases directly to you and vice versa?

Many thanks,

Naomi

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