

SUMMARY OF THE CASE

Following his discharge from the Navy, Glen had been unable to maintain accommodation and had been homeless for approx. 20 years. It's not known when Glen came to the Island, but it is believed he spent his time between the UK mainland, the Isle of Wight and Crete. Glen had some obvious health conditions but had limited contact with Island Health Professionals.

Glen had intermittent contact with the Islands Local Authority Homelessness Team and had several offers of temporary accommodation which he declined. Concerns were raised about his declining mental and physical health in June 2023, but Glen declined support and treatment on many occasions.

On the 5th January 2024, Glen was found deceased, lying in a field with no shelter or sleeping bag, he was 72 years old.

LEARNING IDENTIFIED / QUESTIONS FOR PRACTITIONERS:

- Practitioners to consider what and how actions and interactions are recorded and to be mindful of how these could be interpreted in the future.
- Practitioners to seek supervision and consider escalation if the intervention requested is not considered.
- Practitioners to consider the impact of adverse weather warnings and agency specific actions when working with homeless individuals.

LINKS FOR BEST PRACTICE AND FURTHER TRAINING

- [4LSAB](#) Guidance on Adult Safeguarding Roles and Responsibilities
- [4LSAB](#) Housing Practitioner briefing on Homelessness
- [4LSAB](#) One Minute Guide to Professional Curiosity
- [4LSAB](#) Guidance on Responding to Self-Neglect
- [4LSAB](#) Multi-Agency Escalation Protocol