

Witness Name: Derek Grieve

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Exhibits:

Dated: 22 November 2023

UK COVID-19 INQUIRY

SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT OF DEREK GRIEVE CBE

I, Derek Grieve, will say as follows: -

1. I, Derek Grieve, am currently the Deputy Director for Social Care Response and Improvement within the Directorate for Social Care and the National Care Service within the Directorate General for Health and Social Care of the Scottish Government.
2. This is a supplementary statement prepared to update my previous Module 2A statement submitted to the Inquiry on 8 November 2023.
3. Further to my witness statement of 8 November 2023, where I indicated at paragraph 79 that I was in the process of seeking support to establish if SMS messages that I sent and received during the timeframe requested were backed up, I have now received this specialist IT support from colleagues within the Scottish Government. They have confirmed that these SMS messages are not recoverable, so I am therefore unable to pass these on.
4. The Inquiry also asked that I clarify when I received a new mobile phone. I placed a request for an iPhone SE 2022 with the Scottish Government Mobile Services portal on the 05/07/2022 and an order was placed with Vodafone on that day. I believe I received the phone the following day, although it took me a few days to activate this.

Statement of truth

I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true. I understand that proceedings may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief of its truth.

Signed: Personal Data _____

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