

Form 3.4 Notice of an inquiry under the Inquiries into Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths etc. (Scotland) Act 2016

SHERIFFDOM OF LOTHIAN AND BORDERS AT SELKIRK

Court ref: SEL-B82-24

LYNNE BARRIE, PROCURATOR FISCAL FOR THE DISTRICT OF SELKIRK
GIVES NOTICE UNDER SECTION 17(3) OF THE INQUIRIES INTO FATAL
ACCIDENTS AND SUDDEN DEATHS ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2016 THAT:

1. An inquiry into the death of Harris James Macdonell is to be held.
2. The inquiry is a discretionary inquiry under section 4 of the Inquiries into Fatal Accidents and Sudden Deaths etc. (Scotland) Act 2016. The Lord Advocate having considered that the death occurred in circumstances giving rise to serious public concern and that it is in the public interest for a public inquiry to be held into the circumstances of the death. The said Harris James Macdonell, died on 19th August 2020, his death was caused by electrocution having climbed an electricity pole. This inquiry is necessary to examine the care and treatment provided to Harris James Macdonell and to examine whether steps might have been taken to avoid the death.
3. A preliminary hearing has been fixed for Wednesday 7 August 2024 at 2.00pm within Sheriff Court House, Ettrick Terrace, Selkirk TD74LE.

Notice

4. You may wish to seek legal advice and may be eligible for legal aid to enable you to participate in this inquiry.

If you wish to participate in this inquiry you must apply to the sheriff to do so under rule 3.5 of the Act of Sederunt (Fatal Accident Inquiry Rules) 2017.