

THE LAMPARD INQUIRY

RESTRICTION ORDER

PURSUANT TO SECTION 19 OF THE INQUIRIES ACT 2005 Restriction Order No.23 (Anonymity Order – "Y15")

The Chair has the power under Section 19 of the Inquiries Act 2005 ("the Act") to make orders restricting disclosure or publication of evidence or documents given, produced or provided to the Lampard Inquiry. The Chair will exercise this power in accordance with the Inquiry's Protocol on Restriction Orders, Redaction, Anonymity and Special Measures, which can be found on the Inquiry website.

Any breach, or threat to breach, such an order can be certified to the High Court under Section 36 of the Act and may be punishable by a fine or imprisonment.

<u>Background</u>

A Restriction Order application has been received from an individual who wishes to give evidence to the Inquiry anonymously ("the Applicant"). The Application is advanced on the basis that the restriction sought is necessary to reduce the risk of harm to the Applicant and their relatives. In considering this application, the Chair has had regard for the factors set out in Section 19(4) of the Act and the Applicant's specific circumstances. Having done so, she has concluded as follows:

- 1. There is nothing to suggest that imposing the restriction sought would in any way inhibit the allaying of public concern.
- 2. There is a risk of harm to the Applicant and their relatives that could be avoided or reduced by the restriction.
- 3. Not imposing the restriction is likely to cause delay and/or impair the effectiveness of the Inquiry because the Applicant may be unwilling to volunteer information without the benefit of anonymity.



The Chair is therefore satisfied that imposing these restrictions is conducive to the Inquiry fulfilling its Terms of Reference and is necessary in the public interest.

Individual Restriction Order

In exercise of the power under Section 19 of the Act, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- The Applicant's name, address, date of birth and any other identifying information (such as their image or a description of their appearance) shall not be disclosed or published in any form, unless express permission is given by the Chair, or the Solicitor to the Inquiry acting on her behalf, in writing.
- 2. The Applicant must only be referred to, whether in writing or orally as "Y15".
- 3. This cipher will be inserted in place of the Applicant's name in all statements and evidence for the purposes of the Inquiry.
- 4. The disclosure and/or publication of any evidence that the Applicant submits to the Inquiry will be restricted in such a way as to prevent their identity becoming known by reference to the substance of their evidence.
- 5. This Order remains in force for the duration of the Inquiry and at all times thereafter, unless otherwise ordered.
- 6. The Chair may vary or revoke this Order by making a further order during the course of the Inquiry.

Dated 17 September 2025

Baroness Kate Lampard CBE

Chair of the Lampard Inquiry