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Subject: Re: Communication from Stop Oxevision

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Date: Tuesday, 14 April 2026 at 19:46
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Vanessa

We did not get legal advice. I agree that for now we should take it off the website. It was developed at a time when we became aware of the number of Trusts using the system without any guidelines. And, as the letter says, that predates any recent legal guidance and advice.

Once discussed at the council meeting, we would need to make a statement to Trusts one way or another.

I must say, I was not aware that Oxehealth/LIO had any access to the recordings. I think we should have this confirmed with them. That aspect is very worrying to me (if true), not least because we were not informed.

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Hi Vanessa,

Yes of course happy for this to be shared with the Council members but perhaps not more widely if that's ok.

If it's helpful I'm really happy to share the legal advice we had in developing the Principles - particularly around the area of consent.

Kind Regards,

Leanne

Leanne Gelder

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From: Smith, Vanessa <[redacted] [I/S]>
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Hi Leanne

Thank you for getting in touch. Are you happy for us to share this letter with Council Members?

I've copied Deputy Chair Kenny and the colleagues that support the Network [redacted] [I/S]

The most pragmatic step is to remove it from the website while we agree next steps.

[I/S] please can you remove from the website and add to the agenda for the Council Face to Face meeting next week. If Leanne and or Mandy confirm we can share the attached letter, please do so with the updated agenda as well as a copy of the guidance.

Leanne once we have discussed with our Council ,and I anticipate Mandy may be there too, we can update.

Interestingly i recently noticed they were referring to this in an email to NHS Trusts and Peter and I discussed it. [I/S] did we decide to ask one of our legal colleagues for advice I can't recall now?

Happy for other suggestions too

Best wishes

Vanessa

Vanessa Smith
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Hi Vanessa,

I hope you are well? We last met back in September when you had taken over chairing of the MH DoNs network and I updated you on some of our national work in the MHLDA programme.

I'm reaching out as we've had some recent correspondence from a campaign organisation (Stop Oxevision) that we have been in communication with for some time. One of the things they mention in their correspondence is how LIO (formerly known as Oxehealth) have been referencing a 2022 publication by the National Mental Health and Learning Disability Nurse Directors Forum: [VBPM Systems \(Oxevision\) — MHForum](#)

I'm really aware this was published over 2 years before the NHSE guidance: [NHS England » Principles for using digital technologies in mental health inpatient treatment and care](#) and lots of it aligns but there are also some areas of contradiction (particularly in relation to consent). I wondered if the forum could have a think about it and whether it is still a necessary resource to have up on the website and if so, whether it could link to the digital principles in some way?

We will of course be reviewing the points they have picked up on for us as well and responding and I'm also really aware there may be recommendations that come out of the Lampard Inquiry as well.

Happy to have a chat if easier and really appreciate this is a complex area with lots of strong views amongst patients, families and professionals.

Kind Regards,

Leanne

Leanne Gelder RN(MH)

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