

Paragraph 48

8. I would prefer to deal with these matters in full when I address Issue N in a separate statement.

Paragraph 56

9. I had known Mr Wisheart since he came to Bristol in 1976. We had a very good professional working relationship. I saw Mr Wisheart frequently in theatre. Therefore, it was natural that I should turn to him to discuss professional matters, rather than to general managers who had joined more recently, who I knew less well, and with whom I had far less contact on a day-to-day basis. My experience was that Mr Wisheart always listened and considered the points that I put to him, whether or not he eventually agreed with me. I always felt that he was courteous and reasonable. For example, if I persuaded him that operating lists should be rearranged to accommodate absence of perfusion staff during a holiday period so as to avoid over-burdening the remaining staff, then he would make those rearrange the lists.

Paragraph 57

10. I should prefer to deal with this matter further and in detail when I deal with Issue N in a separate statement.

Paragraph 60

11. As indicated in my earlier statement I retired in June 1994. On reflection, I think I should have said that I found the last 5 years or so before I retired rather difficult. There were a lot of changes with the preparation for and coming into being of the new Trust. I suppose at that stage in my career, I did not feel so willing to adapt to these changes. Once the Trust came into being there seemed to be constant pressure from management to reduce costs. As indicated, I felt that I could not do anything