

Man's body discovered in park lake is not suspicious

POLICE have confirmed that a man's body discovered in a lake at Central Park is not being treated as suspicious.

Emergency services were called at around 6.30am on Monday, May 20 following reports that a body had been found in a lake at Central Park.

The man was pronounced dead at the scene and his body was recovered.

His death is being treated as non-suspicious and a file has been prepared for the coroner.

A Home Office Post Mortem has taken place and the cause of death withheld pending toxicology reports.

Detectives confirmed that the man had now been identified after releasing a description of him on Monday.

However enquiries are ongoing to trace the man's next of kin.

Detective inspector Paul Parry from Merseyside Police said: "The man has been identified and enquiries are ongoing to locate his next of kin."

"I would ask anyone who has information to come forward, whether you recognise who he might be, or have concerns about the wellbeing of a loved one you haven't heard from recently."

Anyone with information that might help police with their inquiries is asked to contact Merseyside Police on social media via @Mer-PolCC, or call 101 quoting crime reference number 118.



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Delivering messages full of love and hope

By April Ryan

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VOLUNTEERS took part in a six-mile trek to place messages of support and love on five Wirral bridges.

The Walk of Life, arranged by the Martin Gallier Project, saw 30 volunteers place messages of hope, created by suicide survivors and members of the public, on some of the borough's busiest bridges to offer support for those thinking about ending their life.

Some of the messages included: "Hardship prepares extraordinary people for extraordinary destinies," "Your story does not end here" and "It never rains forever."

Founder of the Martin Gallier Project, Jessica Gallier set up the project in memory of her father Martin who took his own life in 2017.

Earlier this year, Jessica opened a centre in a bid to provide support to anyone who needs it and provide specialist training.

She told the *Globe*: "When people are in dark places, they often feel like they have two choices; option of life and the option of death."

"By placing those notes on those bridges, what we are

offering is a third option – a little seed of doubt.

"They may be small, but people on those bridges just need a little pull back, a little reminder, a little something that tells them: you are wanted, your life matters, and help is out there."

"Some people are worried that posting notes on bridges may highlight them as suitable places to end one's life, but we only have to turn on Facebook to realise that these bridges are already being used."

"Notes like these are often removed by the council, which feeds further into the stigma surrounding suicide and mental health."

"It goes everything we stand for as an organisation and as individuals bereaved by suicide."

"Should our notes be removed, we will continue to replace them until the powers that be make the decision to invest into safety in such areas."

"Even if they only stop one person dying by suicide, they are worth it."

Anyone who wishes to support the Martin Gallier Project can visit justgiving.com/crowdfunding/gallierhouse or gallierhouse.co.uk

Anyone can contact Samaritans for free any time from any phone on 116 123.

MP calls for action to end bullying

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The email to all staff from chief executive Ms Holmes said: "Many of you will have seen the media posts over the weekend about our organisation and in particular allegations of bullying."

"We all know that bullying and harassment can have a huge impact on the wellbeing of our colleagues."

"It can cause stress, anxiety and a range of illnesses that affect people's working lives, home life and social relationships."

"We also know that happy staff deliver great patient care which is why there is no place in the organisation for this type of behaviour."

Ms Holmes continued: "I'm sure you would agree that we want WUTH to be the best place to both give and receive care."

"We want to create an environment where all staff feel supported to speak up and where appropriate behaviours are challenged."

"However, to be able to tackle inappropriate behaviour we are reliant on staff feeling able to raise their concerns." The email also urged staff suffering from bullying and harassment to raise it via internal channels.

The channels are: Confidentially with 'Freedom to Speak Up' service.

Informally or formally with staff side colleagues.

Informally or formally with CEO or other executive.

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