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# HM Coroner Blackpool and Fylde

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His Majesty's Coroner for Blackpool and Fylde is **Mr Alan Wilson**.

## Coroner's responsibilities

Coroners are required by law to investigate any sudden or unexplained death. They are independent of both local and central government and are required to act in accordance with laid down rules and procedures. In most cases no further action is required and the death can be registered as normal. In some cases the coroner may decide a post mortem examination is necessary to determine the cause of death. However in some circumstances, the coroner may decide to hold an inquest to further establish the facts surrounding the death.

The coroner will investigate where a death appears to:

- Be due to violence
- Be unnatural
- Be of sudden and of unknown cause
- Have occurred in legal custody

## Professionals coroner's portal

Our coroner's portal is available for medical professionals to submit relevant documents. If you have problems please contact the coroner's office on 01253 477128

[Access the coroner's portal](#)

## Inquests

An inquest is a formal court hearing at which a coroner must establish who died and how, when and where the death occurred. An inquest must be held if a sudden death was violent or traumatic, or if the cause of an unexpected death has not been explained by illness or disease. Inquests are public hearings and are usually held at designated coroner's courts in the district where the death occurred.

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