

Reasons Ashworth is a suspect

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Brief Description: Attached is a table with a summary of why Arthur ASHWORTH is believed to be the suspect responsible for the murder of William DUTFIELD.

Reason Ashworth is suspect	Reference no.
Physical evidence	
Fingerprint on tape dispenser (Murder Weapon) of Ashworth W1/W2 not mentioned in inquest??? ASHWORTH stated the tape dispenser was his however it was in the sink washed down why would it have ASHWORTH's prints on it.	N167016
Blood on tissue – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has been tested at DAL and has the same Y profile as that of Ashworth's nephew (nearest relative) • Has been compared to sample lifted from Ashworth's personal diary and it is a match. 	
Thought to be too frail to commit to the Murder in 1991. Still alive up until 2006. Information from [155] and [156] is that fit enough to travel overseas after 1991.	[155] [REDACTED] [156] [REDACTED]
Time Discrepancy	
Time Line Ashworth stated at home at 8.15pm despite being seen still at Mosquito Bar still at 8.40pm by [160] and [169] [167] and [168]. Then even by his own statement stated after Mosquito Bar went to Dutfield's House for drinks, cleaned up and then walked home. This would put it at about 9.30pm at home. This is a long way from 8.15pm and 9.30pm is about the time of the murder.	ST11m RS 5/8/1, 5/9/1, 5/10/1
Motive	
On the 13/10/1991 phone call by Anon elderly male to Ridge Street, Community Centre living with a male who had alcohol problem and was driving him crazy. 14/11/1991 a referral was received for DUTFIELD from Dr ALLSOPP and 2 friends listed Ashworth and [154]	ST19 Hamilton
Statement made to police on the 20/11/1991 and did not mention when he left apartment saw a male enter the lift until RS6/2/3 despite knowing how important it is.	RS6/2/3
Dutfield was an aggressive and upset drunk, very sensitive drunk and was drunk on the night of his murder	ST9 [154]
Clothing Discrepancy and dry cleaning	
Description of clothing worn by ASHWORTH on the night of the Murder wearing blue/grey trousers and grey coloured top	ST18 [155] elevator and RS5/8/1 and 5/10/1
On 20/11/1991 Ashworth dropped off blue trousers to Lawrence Dry Cleaners in Wynyard, despite there being drycleaners in Mosman just opposite where he lived. No mentioned in statement mention in RS 6/2/3 Lawrence Drycleaners could not say if blood on trousers or not.	RS 6/2/3
On the 21/11/1991 police attended Ashworth's house and he handed to police the brown suit he stated he was wearing on the night of the murder. Also spoke at Lawrence Drycleaners and handed to police those trousers however advised police he had not worn them on the night of the Murder. (Brown suit does not match the witness description but trousers dry cleaned match.)	RS 6/2/3
Reason for finding the body does not seem right	
On the 20/11/1991 Ashworth travels to the city to meet a friend [164]. Ashworth and [164] travelled to Wynyard. [164]. ASHWORTH stated on the way to a school teachers reunion. From Wynyard ASHWORTH has tried to call DUTFIELD and there was no answer. For some reason has abandoned the idea of going to reunion and travelled to check on Dutfield finding him deceased.	ST8 Ashworth ST 10 [164]
Finding of the body Discrepancy	
Advised [164] that [154] had tried to call Dutfield and had not answer and went to Dutfield's unit and located the body. He did not mention it was him who called and found the body. Why tell this lie.	ST 10 [164] ST 9 [154]
Other suspect not involved	
[NP63] is a suspect in the murder of William DUTFIELD. His fingerprints were identified on a cigarette Packet left behind at DUTFIELD's house after he was robbed on the 16/10/1991 two weeks prior to the murder. Whilst [NP63] was probably involved in the Robbery of [NP63] he could not have been informed in the Murder as he was in custody from the 02/11/1991 to 24/04/1992.	IN49 PCIU
Ashworth health was reasonable until 2004.	