

# Record of Tape Recorded Interview



Person Interviewed Dawn Paula O'Connell (DO)

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officer producing exhibit

Date of Interview 5th February 2008

Time commenced 14.48

Time concluded 15.33

Duration of interview 44 minutes

Tape reference no 060344

Interviewing Officer(s) Lisa Allen (LA)

Jon Longman (JL)

Other persons present

Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
0.00		Usual introductions made, caution administered. DO declines the presence of a solicitor at interview.
4.10	LA	Basically if I go over the events of what's happened so far.
	DO	Ok
	LA	Bring us up to where we are now. This morning the Investigation team received a call to say there was going to be an audit shortage at West End Post office. The auditors had gone into the office and you had spoken to the auditor and said it is going to about £40,000 odd short
	DO	Yes
	LA	Ok. I came to the office with my colleagues Jon Longman and Adrian Morris. We came into the office and we introduced ourselves to you and your two colleagues that were there. We then went with Caroline?
	DO	Yes
	LA	And went to the managers office at the Tesco store where we spoke to her regarding the audit shortage, informally, by completing form CS003. We also did the same for the other lady there, which was Sam. Sam Holman, again same circumstances. Having spoken to those two we then asked you to come to the managers office where you was cautioned. Form CS001 and CS003 was completed. Obviously we then asked you for consent to search your home property, which you gave us.
	DO	Yes
	LA	And those forms were completed. When back into the office I was handed a number of items one of the items being a statement , which I believe is in your handwriting?
5.43	DO	It is yes.
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5.44	<p>LA DO</p> <p>LA DO LA DO LA</p> <p>DO LA DO</p>	<p>Can I just ask you to read this statement for me, please.</p> <p>I believe there to be a loss of around £40,000 in the office it seems to have been building up over a period of several months. It appears to be in Main Safe which is MM stock to make the stock unit balance I declare cash that wasn't there. How this has accumulated I do not know I have tried to search the units before but haven't been able to find where the loss could be. I do feel that none of the staff have been involved in this loss.</p> <p>And then your name is printed under there</p> <p>My name is printed P O'Connell. OIC officer in charge.</p> <p>Right. Can I ask you to sign that statement</p> <p>Yes. Would you like me to date it</p> <p>Yes and the time. Which is 14.54.</p> <p>After we got the audit result from Sue Le May, who I believe is the lead auditor there, it was just over £45,000 short.</p> <p>We went to your home address <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 0 5px;">GRO</span> Where we conducted a search of the premises, Nothing was seized at all from the property. And then we have come on to here today now. Is that fair</p> <p>Yes that's fine.</p> <p>What's happened so far</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>DO started 6/9/2000 at the office at Church Road, Northolt as Officer in charge. No previous experience at a post office.</p> <p>Given 3 weeks training by a relief manager.</p> <p>User name DOC001 used for B, C and D stock and DOC002 for LOT stock and balancing MM</p> <p>All staff use all stocks, but only use their own user name and timestamps are not shared.</p> <p>DO uses "A" date stamp</p> <p>DO also has access to Lottery stock (LOT) and the main safe (MM).</p>
9.57	<p>LA DO</p>	<p>Who has access to MM</p> <p>All of us really</p> <p>DO is the manager</p> <p>Hours of attendance</p> <p>9 – 5.30 weekdays (12.30 finish on Mondays)</p> <p>Two out of three Saturdays</p> <p>Had leave on the previous Monday and Tuesday (28 and 29<sup>th</sup> Jan)</p> <p>September 2007 for 10 days when Caroline took over.</p>

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12.12	LA	Obviously the reason we are here today is the £45,000 loss
	DO	Yes
	LA	What can you tell me about that
	DO	I really can't tell you anything about that. It seemed to start sometime last year in the middle of the year, about July or something.
	LA	About July
	DO	Yes it was about £10,000 loss. Which I kept trying to find.
	LA	Did you report it to anybody
	DO	No, I didn't. I got, stupidly I should have done but I got a bit worried thinking oh my god. I didn't want to try and get, cause this but um. I don't know it just the money never seemed to physically leave the main safe. The units always balanced.
	LA	Stock units
	DO	Yes.
	LA	You are talking about B, C, D
	DO	Yes
	LA	Yes
	DO	Um main safe never seemed to be but every time I balanced at the end of the week it would be like I don't know maybe another £1000 wouldn't match up. Or it would be £500.
	LA	Right.
	DO	And it would be like, oh I can't physically see it gone anywhere. All transfers would tally.
	LA	Do you do cash declarations every day?
	DO	Yes
	LA	Right what were the cash decs like on a daily basis?
	DO	Um I didn't always do one in MM every day.
	LA	You didn't Right
	DO	Which is obviously what
	LA	Yes. It could have helped identify
	DO	Yes
	LA	The point when the money was going missing
	DO	Yes
	LA	Since July was it one lot of £10,000 that went missing?
	DO	It seemed just one lot of £10,000.
	LA	Right
	DO	Just wasn't there. But I couldn't see where it had gone out.
	LA	Right
	DO	Or gone in.
	LA	Yes
	DO	It just, but it still seemed that everything seemed to calculate. I know it's

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Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
16.03	LA	taking the cash dec
	DO	Nothing on it
	LA	Nothing on it. And finding out what the difference was.
	DO	So that would tell you how much money you should have.
	LA	Should have
	DO	So then what would you do
	LA	Then I would go and count the cash and I wouldn't have that.
	DO	Right. So then how would you balance.
16.15	LA	I would just say I had it there.
	DO	You had what you should
	LA	Yes
	DO	What the computer telling you you should have.
	LA	Yes. The only time I noticed anything that was different and I can't
	DO	remember when that was, was two weeks, there was £500 in one week
	LA	and £500 in the other week and that was in £1 coins
	DO	How do you know it was in pound coins
	LA	Because the bag, they were less. I don't know if you went in the office. On
	DO	the door we have a list of what's in the notes, what we are holding in
	LA	notes, what we are holding in coin in the safe.
	DO	Right
	LA	So on a Wednesday you've got a rough guide to know what should be in
	DO	there. I would take that out and check what we had.
	LA	Right
	DO	And then it would be like there should be like a £1000 in pound coins
	LA	Right
	DO	And there was only £500 and then we went to the drawer on the side
	LA	which we keep it out daily cause while the safe is shut if we needed
	DO	change
	LA	Right
	DO	That was always the same. So nothing had been transferred and nothing
	LA	had moved and no one knew where it had gone.
	DO	Right. When was the last time that had been checked though.
	LA	That was done every week, the main safe was checked and the cash every
	DO	week
	LA	So at some point during the week somebody had taken a £500 bag of £1
	DO	coins and not knocked it off
	LA	Knocked it off on the door
	DO	Right
	LA	And it hadn't been added on other one that's in the drawer because we
	DO	have two lots, one that's in the drawer
	LA	Right
	DO	So it should have been added onto that.

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17.44	LA	Ok but what about the notes?. Obviously the coin
	DO	That's what I'm saying
	LA	Because on the notes
	DO	That's what I'm saying
	LA	So on the notes
	DO	I didn't notice, that's what. I can't explain
	LA	If the notes weren't there back in July, you would have had. I don't know how much would you have had in the safe roughly?
	DO	I don't know
	LA	£5,000, £20,000, I mean are we talking a little bit of money or a lot of money.
	DO	There is usually a lot of money. I don't fully understand what you are saying.
	LA	If you are saying you write on the safe door we should have £20,000 of twenties and £5,000 of tens.
	DO	But what was on the door was in the safe. That's what I couldn't understand. What would be on the door would be in the safe. But it didn't tally up. Because when I do a cash declaration there should have been more in the safe.
	LA	So what you are saying is everybody is writing down, but if the starting figure was right the week before and everyone wrote down what they had had.
	DO	Yes
	LA	It wouldn't be, would it
	DO	No. All the transfers seemed to match up what went from the main safe, to the stock units
	LA	Right
	JL	They couldn't have matched that because there is a discrepancy
	DO	But what I wanted to make sure is what they had, that they had transferred out of the safe what they had.
	JL	So the transfers agree
	DO	The transfers agree with what the girls had had in their drawers. From week to week.
	JL	Right
	DO	You would look on the door and you would count what's in the safe with what's on the door were completely different.
	LA	Well it would be...
	DO	Whether it was me trying to calculate it or trying to find out something. Whether my figures ended up going up the wall in the end I don't know.
	LA	Who has access to the main safe then.
	DO	We all do really
	LA	Why do you all have access



# **Record of Tape Recorded Interview (continued)**

Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
19.56	DO	Well Kelly works on her own Friday afternoon. There is lunchtime as well there be one of us on at lunch time.
	LA	There would only be one of you on at lunchtime
	DO	Yes
	LA	So that person needs to have access to the safe
	DO	Yes.
	LA	To get
	DO	Who would be on lunch. That would only be Monday really. That there would be one on for lunch.
	LA	When do you balance MM stock
	DO	On a Wednesday
	LA	On a Wednesday
	DO	Mainly on a Wednesday I haven't been recently I've been leaving it till Thursday.
	LA	Why is that?
	DO	Why is that. I don't know. I was just hoping it was going... I don't know. Something would happen, no I really don't know.
	LA	When this all started back in July and you was £10,000 short, did you tell anybody?
	DO	No no I mentioned it to Sam and Caroline about September, they were shocked.
	LA	What did you mention
	DO	Did you know if
	LA	What did you say to them in September.
	DO	I just said look I think you need to know there is a loss of £10,000 at the moment I told them I am not accusing anyone (inaudible) if anyone can throw a light on it, they said no, so I said that's ok fine. I do believe them. They wouldn't touch it, they wouldn't do that. I know they wouldn't.
	LA	How do you know they wouldn't?
	DO	I just know, I don't know I worked with them for such a long time. I just know.
	LA	So in July on your weekly balance you was inflating the cash to cover for money that wasn't there.
	DO	Yes
	LA	And this continued right up until
	DO	Now
	LA	Till now. And who did you tell in between apart from Sam and Caroline in September, who have you told.
	DO	No one
	LA	Why haven't you told anybody
	DO	I don't know.
	LA	Do you have a search procedure at your office.

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Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
22.05	DO	Yes
	LA	How often
	DO	It doesn't get done, it doesn't get done that often, no.
	LA	How many times have you been searched
	DO	I haven't actually
	LA	You have never been searched
	DO	No
	LA	When you have left the office
	DO	No
	LA	What about the others, do you know if they have been searched.
	DO	I'm not sure if Kelly was once. If she was asked. Tesco's I'm not sure or was it Sam I'm not sure. As far as I know I don't think any of them have.
	LA	So Sam and Caroline knew back in September that you was about £10,000 short
	DO	Yes
	LA	And you have not mentioned it to them since
	DO	No
	LA	And have they asked
	DO	No
	LA	No one has asked, ok and we are now up to forty odd thousand pounds. You say that you've been, the way you was doing it was to inflate the cash on hand. Um when you balanced. Was you doing anything else as well.
	DO	Like
	LA	Well
	DO	That, I can explain that
	LA	For the purposes of the tape I am producing two grey rem pouches seal numbers 301103730789 and 301103730772 and their related remittance slips. Ok
	DO	I was told that Solicitors, Solicitors. Tesco audit might be done tomorrow
	LA	Who told you that
	DO	Yanna give me the compliance thing the other week. Said it like it's all changed our compliance figures it's a tesco audit not a Post Office audit.
	LA	What is it the Tesco audit you thought was coming
	DO	Yes
	LA	Right
	DO	And I planned to say that that had gone out in a rem.
	LA	But wasn't that your opportunity then you could have actually told somebody that we have got a big problem.
	DO	Well this is what I was, Last night I was having sort of like, no I will talk to the girl when she comes in on Wednesday because I have not been sleeping properly, I have not been leading a very good life to be honest



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24.38	LA	you know cause of all the worry and everything. My son doesn't know anything about it, and he is constantly on at me asking what is wrong.
	DO	Right.
	LA	And last night we'll I've started drinking because of it but I'm not a drinker.
	DO	You started drinking
	LA	I started drinking. I can't sleep.
	DO	Right. There was some bottles of drink in the bedroom
	LA	Yes
	DO	Some empty bottles of wine
	LA	My son even asked me the other day Mum, I noticed you started drinking a lot lately. My son is not used to me drinking.
	DO	Right.
	JL	Can I just ask, Dawn. This £10,000 in July, could you give me as best you can remember, how it got to £45,000. How did it
	DO	I don't even know how it got to £45,000, until yesterday I thought it was just under £40,000
	JL	Ok
	DO	And then you give me the £45,000 that is just how it seemed to happen all the time. It just boom
	JL	In July 07 you were inflating your cash by £10,000
	DO	Whatever it was that seemed to suddenly appear or disappear. I'd inflate it
	JL	So you didn't realise when you inflating it by more. I mean you started off with ten, you said it was a £10,000 loss
	DO	Yes
	JL	Then what did you have to inflate the cash by to cover the next loss and when was that.
	DO	I don't know when that was.
	JL	You just did a zero cash dec
	DO	Yes.
	JL	Said I have that amount.
	DO	Yes.
	JL	But did you not realise the loss was
	DO	Yes I did
	JL	Building.
	DO	Yes I did
	JL	But you can't say
	DO	I can't
	JL	August it was up to £15,000
	DO	No I couldn't give you
	JL	Or Christmas
	DO	Up to yesterday, I was fully certain it was no more than forty. No more than forty at all.

# **Record of Tape Recorded Interview (continued)**

Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
26.16	LA	You are saying it was no more than forty but these two rem slips
	DO	Forty two
	LA	Add up to £42,000
	DO	Yes forty two
	LA	So is that what you are saying it was up to it was £42,000
	DO	Yes forty two.
	LA	£42,400. and you have got no explanation
26.40	DO	I haven't I am sorry. I haven't. If I could give one. If I had it I would tell you I had had it. Definitely would.
	JL	Since you have been inflating the main stock cash, has any other member of staff had to balance the main stock. Since you have been there.
	DO	I have always, because I didn't want anyone else to feel or be implicated I thought it was best that I just do the balancing of the main safe.
	LA	Right
	DO	So if was off I would say, just balance your own units, I will do the main safe.
	LA	So when you went on holiday in September
	DO	I was actually, I was only away for one Wednesday I was back the next day.
	LA	Right, so
	DO	I went Thursday and I was back on a Thursday at work. Wednesday evening.
	LA	Right, after work.
	DO	And I was back a week Thursday.
	LA	So who balanced it on that Wednesday
	DO	I did.
	LA	The Wednesday before you came back. Who balanced it then, no one
	DO	No one. I balanced it when I went in Thursday morning.
	LA	Right ok. I have got a number of balance sheets here I am going to show you. They only go back to November. This is M stock 12 November, showing £34,236 in cash. Would that cash have been there or is that an inflated figure
	DO	That would be an inflated figure
	LA	It would. Do you how much that would have been inflated by at that time
	DO	No
	LA	You couldn't tell
	DO	No
	LA	Did you write it down anywhere
28.27	DO	That was inflated by £30,000
	LA	By £30,000. How could you tell it was by £30,000
	DO	Because I they were two equal amounts.
28.36	LA	You are looking at the declared cash and you are pointing to the £20

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Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
30.01		notes and the £10 notes are both showing £15,000 each.
	DO	Yes
	LA	So would it be fair to say that generally the amount of cash held in the main safe is very low.
	DO	Yes it has been getting very low yes
	LA	So anything that's of a bulk value could be an inflated figure.
	DO	Yes
	LA	So if we go back to the office and get further balance sheets from May, May time it may only have three or four thousand maybe a bit more.
	DO	Yes
	LA	Something like that. Right this is 17 <sup>th</sup> December, M stock and cash there is £43,513.
	DO	Forty thousand, five hundred
	LA	Forty thousand, five hundred and that's because you have got £3500 of £50's and £37,000 of £20's.
	DO	Yes
	LA	They weren't there
	DO	Yes
	LA	Right so that's the over inflation.
	DO	Yes
	LA	Just so we can get an understanding of what's been happening. Now 27 <sup>th</sup> of .....
	DO	You've got the wrong one that's the wrong unit.
	LA	Unit M. This is 27 <sup>th</sup> November which is between the two we have just had. You have got a cash value of £4908, but you've got cash in pouches
	DO	Pouches
	LA	£21,000
	DO	Yes. That wasn't there, that was like this
	LA	The twenty one, right, so you have made up a pouch then. Right.
	DO	Yes
	LA	But that would have been there, the rest
	DO	That was there yes
	LA	Cash for that week would have been correct
	DO	Yes
	LA	But you have got a cash in pouch
	DO	You see that was another thing if you look at that, if that money, I'd included that money in the safe that would have made it twenty five, no twenty one thousand, twenty five thousand. Yes
	LA	Yes, what should have been there.
	DO	If you look at that date there and you look at that date there
30.40	LA	Yes
30.40	DO	I have only just noticed that now.

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Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
		DO points out that on 12 <sup>th</sup> November £30,000 was inflated in the cash but two week later it was only £21,000 short. DO states that nothing special happened on July to explain the losses.
31.20	LA DO LA DO LA DO LA	This week, the 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb, if we go up to the 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb, that was up to date, that was yesterdays one. Yes So you balanced this yesterday, on a Monday Yes because I wasn't in Friday, I was in Saturday but I didn't feel too well. Right. So you didn't balance this last week. No Is what you are saying. Right so you balanced it ok, so you are showing £49,000 of cash.
31.56	DO LA  DO LA DO LA  DO LA  DO LA	That wasn't there and that wasn't there. You pointed to £6,400 of £50's and £36,000 of £20's, which comes to £42,400 Yes So that is what you are saying is missing Yes That is what you then put into the pouches. Because you thought the internal auditor was coming today Yes I will just show you a couple more. 25 <sup>th</sup> January, M stock, you have got a cash value of £44,729.19 Yes And the cash declaration you've got £6,000 of £50's and £29,000 of £20's, £3000 of £10's
32.35	DO LA DO LA DO LA DO LA	There was £3000 of £10's There was so you are saying at that point there was £35,000 Yes So between 25 <sup>th</sup> Jan and 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb, you have lost £7,000 Yes £42,000. and you have got no idea where that has gone. No, sorry, I haven't Have you taken the money Dawn
32.55	DO LA	No I haven't Are you sure about that
33.00	DO LA	I promise you I haven't Because how can so much money disappear in such a short time. You

Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
33.29	DO	don't suspect your staff, who work for you
	LA	No I don't
	DO	You have been, admittedly you have been trying to cover it up. You have not told anybody about it. Are you in financial difficulties
	LA	No not really. Well I struggle just like anyone else but
	DO	Right, you got no major debt
	LA	No not really
	DO	Nothing like that
	LA	If I did have I certainly wouldn't have paid them off with that
	DO	Well I'd like to think so. Show something I mean It's gone we've got nothing to show for it.
	LA	I know.
	DO	Anyone been threatening you
	LA	No
	DO	No one has asked you to give them money
	LA	No
	DO	Because we do have a little problem down at the office, maybe a year ago. With Giro suppression
	LA	That's right yes
	DO	With surpressing giro documentation
	LA	Yes
	DO	That all appears to be sorted out now. And that's not happening
	LA	No
	DO	but is this a knock on effect from those giro deposits that are going through.
	LA	That was quite a while before I noticed anything
	DO	Is there anything you can tell us about this loss.
LA	No, sorry I can't	
DO	Nothing at all. Anything else you want to ask John	
JL	Just two things, I have been sitting here listening to what you have been saying to Lisa. The one thing I can't understand, I apologise if it's already been asked of you.	
DO	That's fine	
JL	If you are innocent and you are having trouble balancing why didn't you report itto someone in Tesco's or Tesco's audit or whatever procedures you have got in place. Why didn't you put your hand up, when you discovered that £10,000 like any reasonable person would do	
DO	I know, I know	
JL	Was it because you had like taken that money	
DO	No I haven't, I hadn't I felt maybe someone in the office, and I thought if I don't say anything it will come back.	
35.26	JL	Sorry you said someone in the office.

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35.40	DO	I'm just saying, I knew I hadn't had it. I didn't want to ask the girls to seem like I was accusing them.
	JL	Right.
	DO	And should I have said something, yes I should have
	JL	Yes
	DO	I should have.
	JL	With Hindsight yes.
	DO	Yes, Yes.
	JL	It just makes it more suspicious from our point of view that
	DO	That's fine
	JL	That £10,000's gone missing and you didn't report it. Which is as I say most
	DO	Yes yes
	JL	Any reasonable man should expect from a manager. The other thing is there is three other staff that work here
	DO	Yes
	JL	Main safe access, I just want to talk to you about how you balance the main safe
	DO	Yes
	JL	Now is the office open all day or is it shut for lunch.
	DO	No it's open all day
	JL	So when you pop out for lunch what happens
	DO	The two girls there would be (Inaudible) Caroline and Sam
	JL	Right so how would they
	DO	Except for a Monday
	JL	If they needed cash, or needed to put cash in the main safe, how would they do that?
	DO	They would just open the safe and do it
	JL	So who has the key for the main safe
	DO	I have one and Caroline has one.
	JL	Right. And during the day. So is it only you or Caroline who go in to
	DO	Yes
	JL	The safe
	DO	Unless one of the girls is on their own and we give them a set of keys.
	JL	Is that recorded anywhere.
	DO	No
	JL	So, would it be right to say that everybody at some stage would have access to that safe
	DO	Yes
	LA	Dawn, do you think what you have done is dishonest
	DO	I do and I don't. What I done was wrong by not talking to someone about it

**Record of Tape Recorded Interview (continued)**

Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
37.15	LA	The balances that you produced they are false balances aren't they
	DO	Yes they are.
	LA	So basically you falsified an account
37.25	DO	Yes
	LA	If you had told Tesco's the office was £40,000 short what do you think they would have done.
	DO	I don't know.
	LA	Do you think they would have sacked you
	DO	I don't know, yes I suppose so.
	LA	Do you think they would have done. Is that the reason you didn't tell them.
	DO	Yes. I needed to keep a job, to keep the job
	LA	You needed to keep the job. So you tried to cover up the fact that there was losses in the office that you couldn't account for.
	DO	Account for.
	LA	So you inflated the cash on hand or on occasions entered cash in pouches to cover up for the loss.
	DO	Yes
	LA	So that if the audit team did come down albeit internal or Post Office they wouldn't find the missing money
38.10	DO	Yes
	LA	Taking up the whole thing then if you like, do you think what you have done is honest or dishonest
	DO	I don't know it's been dishonest I suppose
	LA	Because what you have done is inflated figures of cash not physically in the post office that should be there. Would you agree.
	DO	I don't know, I don't know what to say because I felt I'm getting myself more in trouble now.
	JL	What Lisa is saying, are you alright Dawn, just take a minute.
	LA	Do you want a break Dawn
	DO	Yes please
		Interview suspended at 15.25
		Interview continued
		DO is reminded she is under caution and re cautioned
		JL informs of reason for break and confirms DO's ability to continue with the interview.
40.20	JL	The point my colleague was making just before we stopped the tape was that you've been balancing the main stock



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40.28	DO	Yes
	JL	By inflating the cash figures do you accept that.
	DO	Yes
	JL	And what she was saying to you it is a dishonest thing to do
40.36	DO	It is dishonest yes
	JL	Because you are not reporting a true figure. Do you understand that.
	DO	Yes I understand
	JL	And that is an offence of what we call False Accounting
	DO	Ok.
	JL	Because you are producing a document which can be relied upon by other people. They can look at it and they can say the office has balanced and everything is ok. They have got that amount of cash
	DO	Yes
	JL	When In fact it is not true is it.
	DO	No. We were having problems when ordering cash
	JL	Yes. But the accounts you have produced since you been inflating the cash they haven't been true
	DO	No they haven't
	JL	True balances have they. Therefore my colleagues trying to explain that you have committed
	DO	Yes I
	JL	False Accounting. Do you accept that
	DO	Yes I do
	LA	Dawn, did you report anything to the Post Office Helpline
	DO	No I didn't tell anybody at all
	LA	Nothing at all. So nobody knows apart from the £10,000 in September. So there is no record of it anywhere
	DO	No
	LA	Did you write down anywhere the losses, date of the losses
	DO	I might scribble on a piece of paper every now and then
	LA	But you have not got a list of dates
	DO	No
	LA	Or losses. How much it was
	DO	No
	LA	That sort of stuff
	DO	No
		LA summarises that between July 2007, when a £10,000 loss was found The losses have increased up to over £40,000 Each week inflating cash on hand to make M stock balance and apart from September, not told anyone else of the losses.

# **Record of Tape Recorded Interview (continued)**

Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
42.38	LA DO LA DO LA DO	You are saying you haven't taken the money No I haven't You don't suspect any of your colleagues have taken the money No I don't And you can't offer any explanation where the money has gone. No I can't  Interview concluded Warned as to possible prosecution and cautioned DO does not wish to add anymore  Tape 060344 sealed and seal signed  Tape stopped at 15.33