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Person Interviewed Seema MISRA (SM)

Place of Interview West Byfleet Post Office©

Date of Interview 14th January 2008

Time commenced 18.15

Time concluded 18:29

Duration of interview 14 minutes

Tape reference 060342
no

Interviewing Officer(s) Adrian Morris (AM)
Longman (JL)

John

Other persons present

Exhibit No:
Number of pages:
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Signature of interviewing officer

Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
0.08	AM	Continuation interview Normal introductions including voice identification, caution and legal rights. Form GS001 explained and reminded of legal rights and signed at 18.16. Solicitor still not required at this time.
2.06	SM	Confirmed still no friend required.
	AM	Confirmed no questions asked during the break.
	AM	Shows copy of CS025 receipt for £475, which was handed over this morning.
3.10	AM	Explains that this money is without prejudice
	AM	Asks for proposals on repayment of shortage.
3.47	SM	Says that she cannot pay all of it straight away but has to make arrangements with regard to salary and shop takings. Will try and get some money from family and friends.
5.38	SM	Says they have another property, which is rented out. Management company are holding the rent for 3 years. Financial details taken regarding property.

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8.32	AM	Explains he found building plans for another property but nothing to do with SM. Current property is leasehold with 6 to 7 years lease left (renewable). Paid £200k for business with a £67k mortgage. Living accommodation is rented.
10.19	AM	Summarises: Audit team found shortage of around £79k SM admitted it is due to staff thefts of £89k in 2006. Staff no longer work there and SM has completed the BTS every 4 weeks on which false figures have been entered. SM accepts it is dishonest and she has gained by keeping the Post Office©. SM has tried to repay the shortage and will continue to do so.
12.12	AM	"Was it you that stole that £89000?"
	SM	"No"
	AM	"Have you ever stolen any money from the Post Office©?"
	SM	"No not a single penny"
12.49	JL	Clarification with SM that she has falsified the cash on hand figures and made up the cash in pouches figures.
	AM	Gives opportunity to say anything
14.07	SM	"I haven't taken a single penny out, I wanted to rectify this, I wanted to clear this up. I know I done a bad thing but in that situation I had to do it to save my business".
14.53		Notice explaining tapes given. Tape seal signed (060342) Tape stopped at 18:29