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**To:** Callard Richard (ShEx); [REDACTED] GRO; Rusling Annette (Shareholder Executive); [REDACTED] GRO  
**Subject:** RE: TP/BNR meeting briefing: Sparrow

I said add, not subtract.

Laura Thompson | Assistant Director | Shareholder Executive

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**From:** Callard Richard (ShEx)  
**Sent:** 20 January 2016 17:14  
**To:** Thompson Laura (Shareholder Executive); Rusling Annette (Shareholder Executive)  
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Fine. One small change.

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**From:** Thompson Laura (Shareholder Executive)  
**Sent:** 20 January 2016 17:00  
**To:** Rusling Annette (Shareholder Executive)  
**Cc:** Callard Richard (ShEx)  
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Annette

Not sure what format you are using for the BNR/TP briefing, but here is my contribution on Sparrow. Richie, let me know if anything to add from your side.

## REVIEW OF POST OFFICE HORIZON SYSTEM

In October, ~~on taking up the role~~, you asked Tim to undertake a review of Post Office's Horizon IT system, specifically, the complaints received about potential errors in the system, and Post Office's handling of those claims.

As previously advised, Tim appointed a QC (Jonathan Swift, former First Treasury Counsel) to assist him in this review. He has held a number of meetings including with Lord (James) Arbuthnot and with the independent investigators Second Sight.

Tim is currently in the process of finalising this work, and we expect he will want to explain his initial thoughts on what he has found and what further steps he wants to take. We suggest you discuss with Tim whether and how the findings of his work might be made public. Andrew Bridgen MP and Oliver Letwin MP have expressed interest in hearing the outcome of his review.

You should also note that:

- The Criminal Cases Review Commission (CCRC) continue their investigations into a small number of applications (c.20) and Post Office continue to provide the CCRC with all information requested. There is still no indication that the CCRC will complete their investigations any time soon.
- Further to the November press notice that the Justice for Subpostmasters Alliance (JFSA) are preparing a group action against Post Office on this matter, Post Office had some limited correspondence with the legal firm appointed by the JFSA, Freeths Solicitors, but are yet to receive any letter before action.

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