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From: Batten, Peter (International - Climate and Energy) [GRO]
Sent: 15/10/2020 09:46:42
To: William Gibson [GRO]; Callard, Richard - UKGI [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=e4f7afed57944ef7bfb36d0ac6a81b1f-Richard.Cal]
CC: McInnes, Tim - UKGI [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=fb3e3d611915411fb710055d524f1f02-Tim.McInnes]; Lambert, Lucie - UKGI [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=653a81d8764d4f72b900a8d3533c535e-Lucie.Lambe]
Subject: RE: Sparrow

Also – lovely to hear from you all. Hope you’ve all got enough toilet roll to get through the next lockdown

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Nah – go for the Heaton-Harris approach... “we did everything correctly”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qhgZHvHG9fs>

On Sparrow, basically what Will said, though I think Bates and the JFSA first met Davey back in 2011/12 and there should have been a sub go up at that time (most likely in Mr Whitehead’s name). I’m fairly sure there was something (or should be something) around the time Alice Perkins was appointed, I think it was part of her appointment letter that she grip this (though that might be mis-remembering events given it was more than a fifth of a lifetime ago and I wasn’t keeping my Alan Clark style diaries up to date at the time)

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From: William Gibson [GRO]
Sent: 15 October 2020 10:28
To: Callard, Richard - UKGI [GRO]
Cc: McInnes, Tim - UKGI [GRO]; Batten, Peter (International - Climate and Energy) [GRO]; Lambert, Lucie - UKGI [GRO]
Subject: Re: Sparrow

Do you promise I won’t have to do a committee hearing where I say “that was an operational matter for post office management” a thousand times in a sort of Govian “I wish the Bishop well” incantation?

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On 15 Oct 2020, at 5:24 PM, Callard, Richard - UKGI [GRO] wrote:

Actually yes, you should give UKGI a try!

From: William Gibson [GRO]
Sent: 15 October 2020 10:23
To: Callard, Richard - UKGI [GRO]
Cc: McInnes, Tim - UKGI [GRO]; peter.batten [GRO]; Lambert, Lucie - UKGI [GRO]
Subject: Re: Sparrow

Plotting return back actually [GRO]

Any fun jobs going?

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On 15 Oct 2020, at 5:20 PM, Callard, Richard - UKGI [GRO] wrote:

Thank you Gibbers. Have got plenty of correspondence that's for sure! Hope you and your umbrella are doing well in HK.

From: William Gibson [GRO]
Sent: 15 October 2020 10:19
To: Callard, Richard - UKGI [GRO]
Cc: McInnes, Tim - UKGI [GRO]; peter.batten [GRO]; Lambert, Lucie - UKGI [GRO]
Subject: Re: Sparrow

Bonjour.

It's worth flagging that I think Sparrow wasn't called Sparrow until late in the day. If you are searching files for subs you should be looking for JFSA (Justice for Subpostmasters Alliance) and I think the bloke's name was Alan Bates. Also James Arbuthnot. More likely to be meeting briefing notes than formal submissions too. There will be correspondence too.

Plenty before 2014.

Although maybe Fujitsu have made it disappear?

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On 15 Oct 2020, at 4:21 PM, Callard, Richard - UKGI [GRO] wrote:

VERY HANDY!!!!
Peter – see below 😊

From: McInnes, Tim - UKGI [GRO]
Sent: 15 October 2020 09:21

To: Callard, Richard - UKGI [GRO] Peter Batten
[GRO] willgibson [GRO]
Cc: Lambert, Lucie - UKGI [GRO]
Subject: Re: Sparrow

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From: Callard, Richard - UKGI [GRO]
Sent: Thursday, October 15, 2020 9:20:12 AM
To: Peter Batten [GRO] willgibson [GRO]
[GRO]
Cc: Lambert, Lucie - UKGI [GRO] McInnes, Tim -
UKGI [GRO]
Subject: Sparrow

Hello – hope you are both well. UKGI are starting to do an internal inquiry on UKGI / ShEx's role on sparrow, and we're going through the files.

There are not any subs that we can see on sparrow before I joined in Jan 2014. My thoughts on it are that that's not surprising, it was less of an issue then and much of the ministerial information was going up in either emails or in person at regular POL meetings (or indeed in debate briefing packs). Does that sound about right, or do you recall writing a sub and stuff about it. E.g. during the second sight report of 2013, might there have been a sub?

Ta

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