DPP REF: 250497 BILL NO: 125/04

THE QUEEN -V- ALAN WILLIAM McLAUGHLIN

COURT OF TRIAL: CROWN COURT AT BELFAST

DATE: 26th APRIL 2004

CHARGE

Alan William McLaughlin, is charged with the following offences:

FIRST COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 13th day of December 2000 and the 21st day of December 2000, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a computer add list of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 20th day of December 2000 accounting week 39 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that an order amounting to £133.05 had been paid.

SECOND COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 27th day of December 2000 and the 4th day of January 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a computer add list of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 3rd day of January 2001 accounting week 41 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that 16 orders each for the amount of £298.80 had been paid, whereas only 15 orders for the amount of £298.80 had been paid.

THIRD COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 10th day of January 2001 and the 18th day of January 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a computer add list of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 17th day of January 2001 accounting week 43 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that an order amounting to £163.40 had been paid.

FOURTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 24th day of January 2001 and the 1st day of February 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a computer add list of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 31st day of January 2001 accounting week 45 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that 11 orders each for the amount of £206.40 had been paid, whereas only 10 orders for the amount of £206.40 had been paid.

FIFTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 7th day of February 2001 and the 15th day of February 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a computer add list of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 14th day of February 2001 accounting week 47 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that 2 orders each for the amount of £292.80 had been paid, whereas only 1 order for the amount of £292.80 had been paid.

SIXTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 28th day of February 2001 and the 8th day of March 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a computer add list of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 7th day of March 2001 accounting week 50 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that 2 orders each for the amount of £108.94 had been paid, whereas no orders for the amount of £108.94 had been paid.

SEVENTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 28th day of March 2001 and the 5th day of April 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a weekly summary sheet or paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 4th day of April 2001 accounting week 3 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that the total of payments made in respect of group 7 allowances was £1,332.78 whereas the true total was £1,173.74.

EIGHTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 18th day of April 2001 and the 26th day of April 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a weekly summary sheet of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 25th day of April 2001 accounting week 5 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that the total of payment made in respect of group 11 allowances was £12,105.19 whereas the true total was £11,873.85.

NINTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 26th day of March 2001 and the 3rd day of May 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a computer add list of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 2nd day of May 2001 accounting week 6 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that 2 orders each for the amount of £92.40 had been paid for, whereas no orders for the amount of £92.40 had been paid.

TENTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 9th day of May 2001 and the 17th day of May 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a computer add list of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 16th day of May 2001 accounting week 8 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that 2 orders each for the amount of £103.40 had been paid, whereas only 1 order for the amount of £103.40 had been paid.

ELEVENTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 23rd day of May 2001 and the 31st day of May 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a weekly summary sheet of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 30th day of May 2001 accounting week 10 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that the total of payments made in respect of group 7 allowances was £23,493.04 whereas the true total was £23,338.44.

TWELFTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 30th day of May 2001 and the 7th day of June 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a weekly summary sheet of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 6th day of June 2001 accounting week 11 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that an order amounting to £113.84 in respect of a group 13 allowance had been paid.

THIRTEENTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULAR OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 13th day of June 2001 and the 21st day of June 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a weekly summary sheet of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 20th day of June 2001 accounting week 13 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that the total of payments made in respect of group 7 allowances was £1,441.30 whereas the true total was £1,325.90.

FOURTEENTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCES

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 28th day of June 2001 and the 5th day of July 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a weekly summary sheet of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 4th day of July 2001 accounting week 15 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that 61 orders for the total amount of £6,124.75 had been paid in respect of group 14 allowances whereas the true total was £5,970.55 in respect of 60 orders.

FIFTEENTH COUNT

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE

False accounting, contrary to section 17(1)(a) of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

Alan William McLaughlin, on a date unknown between the 19th day of July 2001 and the 26th day of July 2001, in the County Court Division of Belfast, dishonestly and with a view to gain for himself or another or with intent to cause loss to another, falsified a document required for an accounting purpose, namely a weekly summary sheet of paid pension and allowances for Brookfield Post Office for period ended the 25th day of July 2001 accounting week 18 by making an entry therein which was or may have been misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular in that it purported to show that 126 orders for the total amount of £23,041.37 had been paid in respect of group 7 allowances whereas the true total was £22,834.77 in respect of 125 orders.