

Witness Name: Frederick Leslie Thorpe

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POST OFFICE HORIZON INQUIRY

FIRST WITNESS STATEMENT OF FREDERICK LESLIE THORPE

I, Frederick Leslie Thorpe, will say as follows:

INTRODUCTION

1. I am a former employee of Post Office Counters Ltd, I retired in January 2003, and held the position of Investigation Manager, Team Leader.
2. This witness statement is made to assist the Post Office Horizon IT Inquiry (the “**Inquiry**”) with the matters set out in the Rule 9 Request dated 27 November 2022 (the “**Request**”). “In addition to the request for a statement I have been provided by the Inquiry with a number of documents, which I have read. I list these documents in the annex to the statement.”

BACKGROUND

I have been asked to provide details of my Post Office career.

3. 1976 to 1979, self employed as a subpostmaster managing a small retail shop and SubPost Office.
4. 1979 to 1982, employed by the Post Office as a counter clerk, serving members of the public with the full range of Post Office services.
5. 1982 to 1984, promoted to manager of Hartlepool Branch Post Office, managing and supervising counter clerks, who were responsible for serving members of the public.
6. 1984 to 1987, became manager of Counter Remitting Unit, Middlesbrough. Responsible for staff management, overseeing the preparation of cash and stock for delivery to Post Offices within the Post Office network in the Teesside, North Yorkshire and County Durham area.
7. 1987 to 1990, Audit Manager, responsible for a small team, conducting cash and stock audits of Post Offices, both Sub Post Offices and directly managed Branch Post Offices in the Teesside, North Yorkshire and County Durham areas.
8. 1990 to 1993 I was promoted to District Audit Manager for the Newcastle upon Tyne District. I was responsible for managing all District Audit Teams, preparing annual audit programme liaising with retail network managers and security managers
9. 1993 to 1995, following a Post Office reorganisation, I became Security and Investigation Manager, based in Leeds responsible for the north east area of England. I would advise on physical security and give security advice.
10. 1996 to 2003 (January), a vacancy for an investigation manager arose, the existing manager having transferred to Royal Mail. At this time, following the disbanding of the Post Office Investigation Department (POID), almost all investigators were ex-POID; there was nobody suitably qualified to fill the vacancy. I

was asked if, subject to achieving the required standard, I would be interested in filling the vacancy. I agreed. I believe I was the first person to be recruited as an investigator, since the disbanding of POID. To ensure my suitability, I was interviewed by the former head of POID and then a psychiatrist, for a psychiatric evaluation.

11. No formal training courses were available at this time so it was arranged for special training to be delivered by the training team at Security and Investigation Service (SIS), Impact House, Croydon. The course programme lasted several weeks and covered; investigation techniques, interview techniques, interviews under caution, compliance with PACE 1984, interviews of witnesses, taking witness statements, search awareness, report writing, preparation of prosecution files, reference to legislation regarding dishonesty (Theft Act 1968). The course was partly classroom based, but also included the opportunities to shadow established investigators, as an observer, eventually opening the interview, following the progress of the cases from beginning to end. This training was periodically reinforced with refresher training, for the investigation community. Once trained I was mentored and shadowed by an experienced investigator who assessed my suitability and performance. At times I would sit in on interviews, as an observer, at the end of the interview I would give feedback to the interviewer.

12. As a team we held monthly meetings to discuss new legislation, work load, case development, training and other issues arising from investigation work. The team members would also attend periodic training arranged by the central Security and Investigation Team. Training topics covered; Investigation Awareness, Investigation Techniques standard and advanced, Search Awareness, Audit and Investigator (Horizon). Periodic team leader meetings were held.

13. In 2000, following the retirement of the two officers involved with investigations in Scotland and Northern Ireland, I became responsible for Scotland and Northern Ireland. I also had a limited involvement with Post Offices in the north east of England.

SECURITY and INVESTIGATION MANAGER ROLE

14. I managed a team of four investigation managers, one based in Newcastle upon Tyne, two based in Scotland, Glasgow and Perth and one based in Belfast, Northern Ireland.

15. The rules regarding case management and preparation had recently changed in Northern Ireland, prior to 2001 investigation cases in Northern Ireland were forwarded directly to the Director of Public Prosecutions, the Post Office was classed as a statutory corporation and investigation cases could be submitted directly to the Director of Public Prosecutions. Following a change of status in 2001 PO Counters became POLtd, a public limited company, and no longer recognized as a public corporation, a consequence of this change was that for prosecution advice all cases had to be submitted to the respective PSNI district rather than directly to the DPP. Investigations within Northern Ireland were submitted to the relevant Police Service of Northern Ireland district where the alleged offence took place. The PSNI would then advise whether they considered the case had merit, assess the evidence and prepare a prosecution file, if considered appropriate, for submission to the Public Prosecution Service NI. The Post Office investigation manager would be actively involved in assisting PSNI officers to progress the case, providing information, evidence as required. There was a steep learning curve for Suzanne Winter, investigation manager, and myself as there were no formal training courses available. Progressing cases at first was difficult as the PSNI was not used to

dealing with Post Office accounting cases. After a number of meetings with PSNI officers a process was developed. Suzanne Winter became the primary contact between PSNI and the Post Office.

16. On a day to day basis I would discuss casework progress with each investigation manager. Where information, regarding accounting or other irregularities, was received, the case would be allocated to an investigation manager who would assess the facts of the case, collect any evidence. I would discuss the facts of the case with the respective investigation manager. Once evidence was collected and the merits of the allegations assessed an initial decision would be made as to whether the case could be dealt with as a disciplinary matter or forwarded for prosecution advice. Where it was decided that the matter could be dealt with as a disciplinary issue the circumstances would be discussed with the respective retail network manager. They would be responsible for any disciplinary action required and progressing a claim to recover funds, if necessary.

17. In circumstances where criminality was suspected, a casefile would be raised and the case allocated to a named investigation manager. Investigators in the Team were Raymond Grant (Perth), Shirley Stockdale (Glasgow), both very experienced investigators, Shirley Stockdale was ex-police, Suzanne Winter (Belfast) highly trained and experienced investigator, Tony Robertson (Newcastle upon Tyne) least experienced investigator, whose performance was regularly monitored. The investigation manager would liaise with other departments, where necessary, to request further information. Most common departments involved would be Post Office Audit (irregularities identified during a routine audit), the Department for Works and Pensions, (Pension and Allowance irregularities), Department of Works and

Pensions Investigators (assist in investigating allegations made directly to DWP Investigators), National Savings, Girobank, (suppression of Girobank inpayments) .

18. Information regarding the alleged irregularities would be gathered, usually from external sources, from retail network managers, from auditors. At the time of my involvement it was not common practice to contact Horizon. Permission where necessary would be requested, from the respective departments to intercept pouches (paid pensions and allowances), or document envelopes, containing transaction documents, for local scrutiny. The most common documents intercepted were paid pension and allowance vouchers. These documents would be checked, locally, by an investigation manager and investigation team support staff. The investigation manager would prepare a schedule of all identified irregularities.

SPECIAL AUDIT or SCHEDULED AUDIT

19. Where the pattern of irregularities suggested deliberate action, rather than error, then the district audit manager would be contacted and a special audit of the accounts of the Post Office under suspicion requested. Special investigation audits were arranged for a Thursday morning, this being the day following the declared weekly balance. On arrival at the office the office staff would collect the auditor and investigators pass card and contact the Helpline to validate the identity of both auditors and investigators. On initial entry the investigation manager would introduce themselves and explain why the audit had been arranged. The investigator would further explain that following the audit the Subpostmaster or staff from a directly managed branch office would be invited to attend a formal interview, under caution. They would also be advised that they could take legal advice regarding the interview and have a legal representative or friend, usually a federation representative or union representative, present during the interview.

20. Where accounting discrepancies were identified during a scheduled audit, the first point of contact by the auditors, would usually be the respective retail network manager. The retail network manager (RNM) would decide upon a course of action which may or not involve the investigation team. Where the RNM decided to deal with the matter as a disciplinary issue they would be responsible for pursuing any recovery of funds. In cases where criminality was suspected the retail network manager would usually contact the investigation team, for advice and or action. If necessary a formal interview, under caution, would be arranged. Based on the facts of the case and the evidence available as team leader, I would decide whether to submit the case for prosecution advice, England, Post Office Legal Services if prosecution was advised I would discuss it with my line manager. In Scotland and Northern Ireland cases were referred to the Procurator Fiscal who would decide on what action to take without further consultation with the Post Office Ltd managers. In Northern Ireland cases were submitted, initially, to the Police Service of Northern Ireland and ultimately to the Public Prosecution Service NI. Post Office Ltd had no control or input into decisions to prosecute or not. The case could be returned to the RNM for disciplinary action, I do not know what process an RNM would follow.

INTERVIEWS AND INVESTIGATIONS

21. Being a small team, as team leader, I was actively involved with the interviews of those accused of alleged criminal offences. I would conduct interviews as the lead investigator but I would also take part in interviews as a second officer. All of the team were experienced at conducting suspect offender interviews. I cannot be certain as to how many interviews each investigator had conducted but on average it would have been between one and two a month. Personally I have conducted in excess of one hundred suspect offender interviews, I cannot be specific about the

actual number. The circumstances and location of the case would dictate which role I would follow.

22. Investigation interviews, in England, were recorded on tape. In Scotland and Northern Ireland up until 2001 all interviews were recorded in writing, as Notes of Interview. From mid 2001 authority was given to record all interviews in Scotland and Northern Ireland on tape.

23. All investigations and interviews in England were conducted under the rules set out in PACE 1984. In Northern Ireland all investigations and interviews followed the rules set out in P&CE Order Northern Ireland 1989. In Scotland all investigations and interviews were conducted under the rules of the Criminal Procedure (Scotland) Act 1995.

PROSECUTION FILE

24. Once an investigation was completed, a decision would be made as to how the matter would be dealt with either as a discipline issue, actioned by the RNM or be submitted to the appropriate authority for prosecution advice, (Post Office Legal Service, England) (Procurator Fiscal, Scotland), (Police Service of Northern Ireland who would forward it to Public Prosecution Service NI) for advice on prosecution. The lead investigator in each case would be responsible for preparing the prosecution file, gathering the evidence, collecting witness statements, collating all relevant material and preparing a disclosure file. Being a small team each investigator would be responsible for preparing the prosecution file and listing a schedule of unused material. As team leader I would oversee prosecution case preparation. The case papers would in England, be submitted to Post Office Legal Services for advice and the sufficiency of evidence.

25. Investigation in Scotland case files were submitted to one of 49 area Procurator Fiscals, responsible for the location where the alleged offence took place. The Procurator Fiscal would assess the evidence, request additional evidence, where necessary, and make a decision as to whether to prosecute and charge the suspect offender. Investigations and submission for prosecution, to the respective Procurator Fiscal, were the responsibility of myself, Raymond Grant, (Perth), or Shirley Stockdale, (Glasgow).

26. In Scotland and Northern Ireland the decision to prosecute, and the charge, was made by the Procurator Fiscal, Scotland and Public Prosecution Service, Northern Ireland, respectively. Post Office Ltd investigators, other than providing evidence and support, had no input in the prosecution decision. The decision as to the charge would be that of the PF (Scotland) or PPS, NI, (Northern Ireland)

27. Suzanne Winter (Belfast) was the investigation manager responsible for investigations in Northern Ireland, and all submissions and liaison with the PSNI.

28. I was not involved in disciplinary matters for either Subpostmaster, their staff or Branch Office staff. The retail network manager responsible for the outlet, under investigation, would be informed of the outcome of the audit and any subsequent investigation. Based on the evidence presented, the retail network manager would decide upon whatever course of action they considered appropriate.

29. Regarding the recovery of funds through litigation, I was not involved, it was dealt with centrally by a department within the central Security and Investigation team. I had no direct dealings with civil litigation.

30. I cannot comment on many of the policy changes which came into force after January 2003, as I was no longer employed by Post Office Counters Ltd.

HORIZON

31. During 1999 Post Office Ltd began a programme to install a computerised accounting system into Post Offices, the system is called Horizon. At this time the Horizon system was being introduced into Sub-Post Offices, Branch Offices used a different computerised accounting system ECCO, I cannot recall what the initials ECCO stand for. The Horizon installation programme was such that investigations could involve Horizon, or the paper based accounting system (being phased out by Horizon) or the Branch Office ECCO system. In the limited time that I was involved with Horizon I had no knowledge of any problems with the accuracy of the Horizon system.

PROSECUTION of ALAN McLOUGHLIN

32. In respect of the prosecution of ALAN McLOUGHLIN I can confirm; that I have limited knowledge of this case, apart from an entry in my official notebook "see WITN10410101" and recent sight of the tape transcript. The case was initiated by a report from the Paid Order Unit Lisahally, Northern Ireland, regarding overclaims in the paid pension and allowance foils submitted by Brookfield SPSO. The normal procedure in cases of this type would be to allocate it to an investigation manager who would arrange to intercept the paid pension and allowances and check them locally. A schedule would be prepared listing any irregularities identified. The checking and preparation of the schedule would have been undertaken by Suzanne Winter, investigation manager, Belfast and support staff, if available. A significant number of irregularities were identified suggesting that they were not the result of error but deliberate action.

33. Once a pattern was established, a special audit of Brookfield SPSO was arranged. I accompanied Suzanne Winter, investigator, and members of a Post

Office network audit team to Brookfield SPSO, Belfast on Thursday 26/07/2001. At this audit and subsequent interview I assisted Suzanne Winter as second officer. The audit and subsequent interview had been arranged following a number of irregularities, being identified in the value of paid Pension and Allowance claimed in the accounts of Brookfield Sub Post Office. During the audit the paid pension and allowance foils on hand were checked, errors were found. Some Pension and Allowance foils were listed but no actual foils were present. At the conclusion of the audit Alan McLoughlin was invited to attend a formal interview with Suzanne Winter and myself. Alan McLoughlin was advised of his legal rights and formally cautioned. He declined the presence of a solicitor or access to legal advice. He requested the presence of his mother Margaret McLoughlin, as a friend, she attended the interview.

34. During the course of the interview Alan McLoughlin made admissions that for a period of about seven months he had been altering the cash on hand figure recorded in the Post Office accounts to show acceptable discrepancies. He further admitted that he had allowed errors in the value of paid pensions and allowances to be submitted without correction, to help the account. At the conclusion of the interview Alan McLoughlin was suspended from duty by Aiden McNeill, Retail Network Manager. Having read the tape transcripts of the interview with Alan McLoughlin he briefly mentioned Horizon but did not suggest or have concerns about the reliability of the Horizon system which could have contributed to the accounting irregularities identified. The discrepancies identified as part of the investigation could not be attributed to failings of the Horizon system. He admitted that pension and allowance irregularities went unchecked and also admitted that he adjusted the cash on hand figure, in the Post Office account, to show an acceptable balance.

35. It would have been normal procedure for me to liaise with Suzanne Winter regarding the preparation of this case and the subsequent transfer of all case material and disclosures to the PSNI. Based on their assessment of the evidence the PSNI would submit the case to Public Prosecution Service NI for a prosecution decision. I have had no contact with Alan McLoughlin since the date of the interview, 26/07/2001. PSNI had not progressed this case prior to my leaving the Post Office service, in January 2003. However, I have now seen documents relating to the conviction and subsequent appeal of Alan McLoughlin.

36. Brookfield SPSO was one of the first offices in Northern Ireland, to have the Horizon system installed, September 1999. At this time, or prior to the investigation of accounting irregularities at Brookfield, was I not aware of any problems with the operation of Horizon.

37. Alan McLoughlin's application to the Court of Appeal cites the Horizon system as being at fault by generating errors. During the interview Mr McLoughlin admitted falsifying the Post Office accounts by not correcting pension and allowance errors and adjusting the cash on hand figure to show an acceptable balance. He made only a brief reference to the Horizon system but did not suggest that the system was in any way responsible for the errors identified.

PROSECUTION of MAUREEN McKELVEY

38. In respect of the prosecution of MAUREEN McKELVEY I can confirm; that I have limited knowledge of this case. By reference to an entry in my official notebook "see WITN1041002", made on the day of the interview, 04/04/2002, with Maureen McKelvey. I accompanied Suzanne Winter, investigation manager, and members of a Post Office network audit team to Clanabogan SPSO, Omagh. The audit and subsequent interview had been arranged following a number of irregularities,

Pension and Allowance overclaims, being identified in the accounts of Clanabogan Sub Post Office, Omagh. Mrs McKelvey was advised that following the audit she would be invited to attend a formal interview, under caution, she was further advised of her legal rights. Mrs McKelvey contacted her solicitor at Patrick Fahy and Co, Omagh arrangements were made to hold the interview in the offices of Patrick Fahy at 11:00 on Thursday 04/04/2002. Mrs McKelvey's solicitor, Steven Atherton, was present during the interview. Mrs McKelvey made no admissions. A second interview with Maureen McKelvey was held in the presence of her solicitor, Steven Atherton, on the 27/05/2002. Maureen McKelvey, made no admissions.

39. I have now seen case papers relating to this case but not the interview tape transcripts. By reference to the case papers I noted that Suzanne Winter arranged for a pouch containing paid Pension and Allowance foils to be opened and checked in the presence of Mrs McKelvey and her solicitor Steven Atherton. Errors similar to those identified during the investigation were identified.

40. It would have been normal procedure for me to liaise with Suzanne Winter regarding the preparation of this case and its subsequent transfer to the PSNI. I had no further contact with Maureen McKelvey. PSNI had not progressed this case prior to my leaving the Post Office service. However, I have now seen documents regarding the prosecution of Maureen McKelvey. I had no involvement in the prosecution process; all action was taken by the PSNI, with assistance from Post Office investigation manager Suzanne Winter in the prosecution of Maureen McKelvey.

Statement of truth

I believe the content of this statement to be true.

Signed:

GRO

Dated:

22 December 2023

ANNEX

No.	Document Description	URN	Control Number
1.	Casework Management Policy (version 1.0, March 2000)	POL00104747	POL-0080387
2.	Casework Management Policy (version 4.0, October 2002)	POL00104777	POL-0080417
3.	Rules and Standards Policy (version 2.0, October 2000)	POL00104754	POL-0080394
4.	Investigation Procedures Policy (version 2.0, January 2001)	POL00030687	POL-0027169
5.	Disclosure Of Unused Material, Criminal Procedures and Investigations Act 1996 Codes of Practice Policy (version 1.0, May 2001)	POL00104762	POL-0080402
6.	Security Managers' Guide to the Prosecution Support Office (May 2001) (see paragraphs 6 and 33)	POL00121455	POL-0127718
7.	Royal Mail Group Security – Procedures & Standards – Arrest Procedures (Version 2.0, May 2001) (in particular paragraph 3.15)	POL00104760	POL-0080400
8.	Appendix 3 of Investigation Policy “Notes of Interview – Northern Ireland (Version 5.0, November 2002)	POL00039952	POL-0036434
9.	Royal Mail Group Security – Procedures & Standards – Searching” (September 2006) (see paragraph 2.3 in particular)	POL00094163	POL-0094286
10.	Police and Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 (1 March 2007)	POL00121591	POL-0127853

11.	Royal Mail Group Ltd Criminal Investigation and Prosecution Policy (1 December 2007)	POL00030578	POL-0027060
12.	Royal Mail Group Ltd Criminal Investigation and Prosecution Policy (1 December 2007) with a variation on the title (see in particular section 3)	POL00104812	POL-0080444
13.	Royal Mail Group Security - Procedures & Standards - Standards of Behaviour and Complaints Procedure (version 2, October 2007)	POL00104806	POL-0080438
14.	Royal Mail Group - An Inspection of the Royal Mail Group Crime Investigations Function"(July 2008)	POL00121607	POL-0127869
15.	Royal Mail Group Crime and Investigation Policy (version 1.1, October 2009)	POL00031003	POL-0027485
16.	Post Office Ltd - Security Policy - Fraud Investigation and Prosecution Policy (version 2, 4 April 2010)	POL00030580	POL-0027062
17.	Post Office Ltd Financial Investigation Policy" (4 May 2010)	POL00030579	POL-0027061
18.	Royal Mail Group Security - Procedures & Standards - The Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 & Financial Investigations (version 1, September 2010)	POL00026573	POL-0023214
19.	Royal Mail Group Security - Procedures & Standards - Initiating Investigations (September 2010)	POL00104857	POL-0080489
20.	Royal Mail Group Ltd Criminal Investigation and Prosecution Policy (version 1.1, November 2010)	POL00031008	POL-0027490
21.	Post Office Ltd Financial Investigation Policy (version 2, February 2011)	POL00104853	POL-0080485
22.	Post Office Ltd Anti-Fraud Policy (February 2011)	POL00104855	POL-0080487
23.	Royal Mail Group Policy Crime and Investigation S2 (version 3.0, April 2011)	POL00030786	POL-0027268
24.	Royal Mail Internal Information Criminal Investigation Team-Casefile Construction England, Wales and Northern Ireland (Version 1.0, June 2011)	POL00104877	POL-0080509
25.	Royal Mail Internal Information Criminal Investigation Team - Appendix 1 to 8.2 Suspect Offender Reports, Preamble Guide, England, Wales and Northern Ireland (Version 1.0, June 2011)	POL00104879	POL-0080511

26.	Royal Mail Internal Information Criminal Investigation Team – 8.2 Guide to the preparation of suspect offender reports, England, Wales and Northern Ireland (Version 1.0, June 2011)	POL00104881	POL-0080513
27.	Royal Mail Internal Information - Casework Management and PSO Products and Services (Version 1.0, June 2011) (particularly paragraph 9.3);	POL00104888	POL-0080520
28.	Post Office Prosecution Policy (version 1.0, 1 April 2012) paragraphs 4.3 and 4.4	POL00031034	POL-0027516
29.	Post Office Ltd PNC Security Operating Procedures (August 2012)	POL00105229	POL-0080854
30.	Post Office Limited: Internal Protocol for Criminal Investigation and Enforcement (with flowchart) (October 2012)	POL00104929	POL-0080561
31.	Undated Appendix 1 - POL Criminal Investigations and Enforcement Procedure (flowchart) (October 2012)	POL00105226	POL-0080851
32.	The undated document entitled “POL – Enforcement & Prosecution Policy”	POL00104968	POL-0080600
33.	Post Office Limited: Criminal Enforcement and Prosecution Policy (undated)	POL00030602	POL-0027084
34.	Conduct of Criminal Investigations Policy (version 0.2, 29 August 2013)	POL00031005	POL-0027487
35.	Post Office Prosecution Policy England and Wales (1 November 2013) (in particular paragraph 1.2);	POL00030686	POL-0027168
36.	Conduct of Criminal Investigations Policy (version 3, 10 February 2014)	POL00027863	POL-0024504
37.	Conduct of Criminal Investigations Policy (September 2018)	POL00030902	POL-0027384
38.	Condensed Guide for Audit Attendance (version 2, October 2008)	POL00104821	POL-0080453
39.	Section 7 of Audit Process Manual - Chapter 3 - Performing a Branch Audit - v1.2.0	POL00085977	POL-0083035
40.	Email from Ruth Robinson To: po_security_community Re: Corporate Security Newsbrief Issue 22	POL00121467	POL-0127730
41.	Email chain from Ruth Robinson To: Po_security_community Re: Corporate Security Newsbrief Issue 28	POL00121485	POL-0127748

42.	Email from Dave Posnett to Helen Dickinson, Andrew Daley, Keith Gilchrist and others. Re: Cartwright Training Day in Birmingham change of start time	POL00129311	POL-0135205
43.	Email - Investigation Circular 4 - 2011: Police Bail under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, Mandatory Reading for all Royal Mail Group Security (Investigations)	POL00158977	POL-0147056
44.	Royal Mail Security Investigation Circular 4-2011: Police Bail under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984	POL00158978	POL-0147057
45.	David Posnett's email dated 23 May 2011	POL00118096	VIS00012685
46.	Appendix 1 - Case Compliance checklist (Attachment to David Posnett's email dated 23 May 2011, compliance zip file)	POL00118108	VIS00012697
47.	Appendix 2 - File construction and Appendixes A, B and C: "Compliance Guide: Preparation and Layout of Investigation Red Label Case Files" (Attachment to David Posnett's email dated 23 May 2011, compliance zip file)	POL00118109	VIS00012698
48.	Appendix 3 - Offender reports and Discipline reports: "Compliance Guide to the Preparation and Layout of Investigation Red Label Case Files" - undated (date taken from parent email) (Attachment to David Posnett's email dated 23 May 2011, compliance zip file)	POL00118101	VIS00012690
49.	Appendix 4 - Offender reports layout: "POL template Offender Report (Legal Investigation)" - undated (date taken from parent email) (Attachment to David Posnett's email dated 23 May 2011, compliance zip file)	POL00118102	VIS00012691
50.	Appendix 5 - Discipline reports layout: "POL template Offender Report (Personnel Investigation)" - undated (date taken from parent email) (Attachment to David Posnett's email dated 23 May 2011, compliance zip file)	POL00118103	VIS00012692

51.	Appendix 6 - Identification codes (undated - date taken from parent email) (Attachment to David Posnett's email dated 23 May 2011, compliance zip file)	POL00118104	VIS00012693
52.	Appendix 7 - Tape Interviews. "POL Security Operations Team guide: Summarising of Tape Recorded Interviews." Undated - date taken from parent email (Attachment to David Posnett's email dated 23 May 2011, compliance zip file)	POL00118105	VIS00012694
53.	Appendix 8 - Notebooks: Guidance on using notebooks in investigations. Undated (date taken from parent email) (Attachment to David Posnett's email dated 23 May 2011, compliance zip file)	POL00118106	VIS00012695
54.	Appendix 9 - Case Progression Toolkit. Undated (date taken from parent email) (Attachment to David Posnett's email dated 23 May 2011, compliance zip file)	POL00118107	VIS00012696
55.	Audit report p176 to p188; Email from Graham Ward to Suzanne Winter, dated 22 September 2004 p156; Statement of complaint p257 to 260; List of witness statements (which appear to have been filed at the same time as the statement of complaint) p262 to 293 and p312 to 326; List of exhibits p.367 to 373; Letter from Richard Gardiner of McClure Watters, Chartered Accountants, to John J Rice & Co Solicitors enclosing his draft report (dated 22 December 2004) p33 to 65.	AMCL0000031	AMCL0000031
56.	Interview transcript (dated and undated but presumably 26 July 2001): pages 94 to 125, 126 to 143, 144 – 171, 172 – 199, 200 – 207.	AMCL0000014	AMCL0000014
57.	Incident log	POL00113386	POL-0110794
58.	Letter from John J Rice & Co Solicitors dated 19 April 2004 enclosing the defence statement	AMCL0000035	AMCL0000035
59.	Indictment dated 26 April 2004	AMCL0000034	AMCL0000034

60.	Case result form	AMCL0000033	AMCL0000033
61.	Certificate of conviction dated 4 November 2021	AMCL0000036	AMCL0000036
62.	Court of Appeal judgment in <i>R v McLaughlin</i>	AMCL0000037	AMCL0000037
63.	Mr McLaughlin's prepared for the application to the Court of Appeal in Northern Ireland	AMCL0000040	AMCL0000040
64.	Call logs pp.19 – 24; Intervention logs p.6 & pp.15- 18; Audit report, sent to Ms McKelvey, dated 29 August 2001 pp.8-11; Letter from Denise Reid, contract manager, to Ms McKelvey dated 1 November pp.12-13 and response from Ms McKelvey p.14; Letter from Detective Constable Coyle to the Criminal Justice Unit dated 2 August enclosing a letter from J McNally & Co pp.2-4; Letter from Inspector J McCleery to the PPS regarding disclosure dated 16 August 2004 p.1.	PN100000001_071	VIS00013112_071
65.	Rcord of interview dated 4 April 2002, starting at 11:35 pp.50-66; Record of interview dated 4 April 2002, starting at 12:22 pp.67-78; Record of interview dated 27 May 2005, starting at 14:45 pp.79-104; Statement of complaint p.3; Notice of intention to request the court to conduct a preliminary inquiry, dated 7 April 2004 p.1; Witness statement of Una Kelly dated 26 September 2002 pp.6-7; Witness statement of Michael Scarlett dated 26 September 2002 pp.8-9; Witness statement of Bernadette Mellon dated 27 September pp.10-11; Witness statement of Glenn McDonald dated 7 October 2002 pp.12 -13; Witness statement of Susan Hanna dated 26 September 2002 pp.14-15; Witness statement of John McKenny dated 25 September 2002 p.16; Witness statement of Kenneth Sharp dated 7 November 2002 p.17-18; Witness statement of Robert George Wallace dated 28 October 2002 pp.19 -20;	PN100000001_062	VIS00013112_062

	<p>Witness statement of Frederick Leslie Thorpe dated 25 October 2002 pp.21-22;</p> <p>Witness statement of Suzanne Winter dated 14 October 2002 pp.23-25;</p> <p>Witness statement of Suzanne Winter dated 15 October 2002 pp.26-28;</p> <p>Witness statement of Suzanne Winter dated 17 October 2002 pp.29-30;</p> <p>Witness statement of Tony Kennedy dated 23 July 2003 pp.31-36;</p> <p>Witness statement of Una Kelly dated 6 January 2004 p37;</p> <p>Witness statement of Michael Scarlett dated 8 January 2004 pp.38-39;</p> <p>Witness statement of Sonia Cassidy dated 5 January 2004 pp.40-42;</p> <p>List of exhibits pp.43-48.</p>		
66.	<p>Report of Suzanne Winter pp.3-12;</p> <p>Letter from DS McAuley to the Legal Registrar confirming there is sufficient evidence to proceed with the prosecution dated January 2004 p.1</p>	PNI00000001_082	VIS00013112_082
67.	<p>Letter from the DPP to the Senior Law Clerk dated 22 March 2004 p.3;</p> <p>Directions for committal proceedings, dated 22 March 2002 pp.5-8;</p> <p>Letter from the DPP to the Chief Constable dated 29 March 2004 p.4;</p> <p>Index of witnesses (pp.9-15)</p>	PNI00000001_039	VIS00013112_039
68.	<p>Legal rights form and right to a friend form, signed by Suzanne Winter and Ms McKelvey, dated 4 April 2002</p>	PNI00000001_043	VIS00013112_043
69.	<p>Draft Indictment</p>	PNI00000001_057	VIS00013112_057
70.	<p>Indictment</p>	PNI00000001_055	VIS00013112_055
71.	<p>Prosecution brief for the committal proceedings, dated 20 April 2004</p>	PNI00000001_058	VIS00013112_058
72.	<p>Confirmation of compliance with primary disclosure dated 20 April 2004</p>	PNI00000001_080	VIS00013112_080
73.	<p>Letter from DPP to John J McNally & Co dated May 2004 688 enclosing the letter</p>	PNI00000001_075	VIS00013112_075
74.	<p>Letter from Kevin Shiels to Detective Constable Coyle dated May 2004 regarding the disclosure of</p>	PNI00000001_076	VIS00013112_076

	prosecution material under section 5 of the CPIA 1996 letter from Claire Gallagher to John J McNally & Co dated May 2004 confirming receipt of the defence statement p.2; Letter from John J McNally & Co to the DPP dated 10 May 2004 693 and the enclosed defence statement pp.3-6.		
75.	Letter from Claire Gallagher of the PPS to Detective Constable Coyle dated May 2004 (p.1); Letter from the NI Court Service listing the case for arraignment dated 11 May 2004 p.4.	PNI00000001_064	VIS00013112_064
76.	letter from Claire Gallagher of the PPS to Detective Constable Coyle dated 12 May 2004	PNI00000001_063	VIS00013112_063
77.	Letter from DC Coyle to the DI of Omagh Police Station dated 21 May 2004 pp.2-3 letter from Kevin Shiels to John J McNally & Co dated 15 June 2004 regarding disclosure under section 7 CPIA 1996 p.1.	PNI00000001_078	VIS00013112_078
78.	Letter from the DPP to JJ McNally & Co, dated 15 June 2004; Schedule of Unused Material p2.	PNI00000001_037	VIS00013112_037
79.	Note of the discussion between Suzanne Winter and Rosemary Curran of POL regarding the accounting system on 23 June 2004 pp.7-12; Letter from Goldblatt McGuigan, chartered accountants, to Suzanne Winter dated 23 July 2004 pp.4-6; Letter from Omagh Crown Court Office listing the case for trial, dated 6 August 2004 p.1.	PNI00000001_072	VIS00013112_072
80.	Letter from John J McNally & Co to Detective Constable Coyle dated 22 July 2004 seeking secondary disclosure	PNI00000001_073	VIS00013112_073
81.	Letter from Brian Curran of the DPP to John J McNally & Co dated 27 July 2004	PNI00000001_079	VIS00013112_079
82.	Letter from Suzanne Winter to Colin Coyle of PSNI dated 30 July 2004	PNI00000001_069	VIS00013112_069
83.	Letter from Claire Gallagher of the PPS to Detective Constable Coyle dated 23 August 2004	PNI00000001_067	VIS00013112_067
84.	Letter from Claire Gallagher of the PPS to prosecution counsel, Mr McKay, dated 23 August 2004	PNI00000001_068	VIS00013112_068

85.	Letter from Paul Dale on behalf of the DPP to John J McNally & Co dated 23 August 2004	PNI00000001_070	VIS00013112_070
86.	Correspondence R v Maureen McKelvey	PNI00000001_038	VIS00013112_038
87.	Letter from John J McNally & Co to the DPP dated 7 September 2004 enclosing the medical report	PNI00000001_065	VIS00013112_065
88.	Letter from Charles McKay to the Assistant DPP, dated 6 November 2004 pp.4-5.	PNI00000001_036	VIS00013112_036
89.	Note of the trial	PNI00000001_052	VIS00013112_052
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93.	Schedule of Non-sensitive Material	PNI00000001_040	VIS00013112_040
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