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Record of Tape Recorded Interview

Person Interviewed (WQ) WILLIAM QUARM

Place of Interview PAIBLE POST OFFICE

Production No:
Number of pages: 8
GRO
Signature of interviewing officer producing summary

Date of Interview

Time commenced 12.57

Time concluded 13.14

Duration of interview 17 MINUTES

Tape reference no 071082

Interviewing Officer(s) NOT STATED

(RD) ROBERT DAILY

Other persons present (JB) JOHNATHAN BISSET

(WM) WILLIAM MACDONALD

Tape counter times	Person speaking	Text
0.08	RD JB WM WQ RG WQ RG WQ RG	<p>Recommencing an interview with William Quarm in Paible Post Office, the time according to my watch is 12.57 if all present could state their name?</p> <p>Robert Daily.</p> <p>Johnathan Bisset.</p> <p>William MacDonald.</p> <p>Bill Quarm.</p> <p>Bill I've got to remind you that you're still under caution do you understand that?</p> <p>Yeah</p> <p>You still want William MacDonald to remain as a friend?</p> <p>Yes.</p> <p>During the course of the break in the interview situation you went away and you recovered some documents which we'll discuss in a minute but if you could read out this tape seal number because the tapes from the previous tape ran out before we got a chance to do this</p> <p>071078.</p> <p>And for the purposes of the tape the interview finished at 12.24.</p>
1.02	RG	<p>Yeah thank you. I've had a look at the Royal Bank of Scotland and the Alliance and Leicester accounts and I understand that they're quite complex in their nature. What I would like to be able to do is to gain access to a copy of all your bank accounts do you, and for that purpose is I'm asking you to provide these</p>

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1.34	WQ RG WQ RG RD RG RD RG RD WQ RD WQ RD WQ RD WQ Rd WQ RD WQ RD WQ RD WQ	within 1 week of today and if you could forward them to my office address do you agree to that? I agree. Yeah the other things that we would be looking to get access or sight of are agreements on any loans and any outstanding finance that you may have including credit cards, mortgage loan agreements and various other bits and pieces will you be able to provide that for me? Yes. Thank you. Could we also have any details of any other properties you own addresses etc we know you have 2 plots of land beside your house if they have a particular address or come under an address if you could provide that and also the 2 building areas in the agricultural land that you valued at £80,000 if we can have details of that as well. Ok. Just Robert you had something that you wanted to ask about the, (inaudible) No no Mr. Quarm's wife's details. Yeah I've just got a couple of things we've got a financial valuation form it's just to finalise. Do you have any other links to any other Post Offices? No. Right and what is your home address? GRO Sorry? I'll spell it for you GRO Sorry is that GRO Yes new word GRO GRO yeah. And that's GRO Right. GRO
3.28	WQ	

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		<p>I will explain on tape is that I've got 2 reports one goes to the Conduct and Discipline Manager, the second one will go to our Legal Services Team. From what you've told me here today you most certainly in my opinion may have committed a criminal offence by producing false accounts yeah. The other thing is that you have used Post Office money without permission, you didn't make anybody aware of the fact that you were going to do this or have done this, I take into account what was at the bottom your letter when you said that in the past that you have leant the Post Office when there was insufficient funds that will be taken into account when people are making decisions but my report will have to reflect that false accounts have been produced, Post Office money has been used without permission. You most certainly have gained advantage by using that money because your retail business has been able to be maintained and the lifestyle that you have has also been maintained it's not an enhanced lifestyle but it's, what you've done is you've used Post Office money to protect your personal interests not in the Post Office and you've most certainly done that without permission which is something that is specifically stated in your contract that you are not allowed to use Post Office money at all yeah. If I can get from you what we've discussed your bank accounts and all the other things details I will be able to write this report up within the 2 weeks, most certainly after, a week after I get your statements I will be finalising a discipline and conduct report. Someone else from the business will arrange to meet you and discuss what happens next. To the best of my knowledge I believe that someone is going to be put in on a temporary basis so the Post Office reopens which is good for everybody and it's good for the community it's good for, keeps your foothold going as well so and that's really, that's really where we are with the interview as it stands. The onus is now on you to produce what you've said that you're going to produce to me. If we don't get it then we've already discussed what we'll do. I'll give you my business card and you can forward it onto there is that ok?</p>
15.52	WQ	No.
	WQ	That's fine.
	RG	I'm going to terminate the interview but before I do so if you could just read out that seal number?
	RD	Is there anything else you wish to say first with regards the enquiry is there anything you wish to ask?

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15.53	RD	No William we don't normally tend to do this but is there anything you would like to say?
	WM	No.
	RD	Right if you could just sign above your name and read out that number there please?
	RG	Sorry just prior to you doing that I am conscious of the fact you're on medication and because you're on medication I'm restricting the opportunity for us to go and carry out searches. The searches would have been of a voluntary nature anyway but I'm concerned of the fact that you've taken medication today and the fact that you've mentioned that you've had many strokes in the past, I'm not here to put extra pressure on you so I'm making the decision here not to conduct these searches on that basis and that basis alone.
	WQ	Ok.
	RD	Ok this number here?
	WQ	071082.
	RD	Just sign above your name and William if you'd sign below your name please?
	WM	I'll give you that that's my business card (inaudible)
	RD	Ok Raymond the time for concluding?
	RG	Yeah have you got the notice for the tapes (inaudible). This is an explanation of what happens with the tapes should you require a copy just give me a call or let me know now and I'll arrange for them to be sent up to you.
	WM	Can I keep hold of that.
17.37	RG	Ok so I'm terminating the interview the time is 13.14.