

defendant did need a bank account for a particular purpose the money in such an account would belong to the Abbey at Ealing not to the defendant.

104. As a result of the defendant failing to attend his re-bailed date attempts were made by the police and authorities to locate him. After 5 ½ years of being wanted by police the defendant was located in Kosovo. A European Arrest warrant was issued for Andrew Soper's extradition. Eventually the authorities deported the defendant. The defendant was arrested for these offences at Luton Airport coming off a flight from Kosovo on 21st August 2016. He was cautioned and replied "I vigorously deny these allegations". He was conveyed to Acton Police Station.

105. The cheque for 200,000 Euros, was presented by the defendant in Peje, Kosovo on the 8/3/11.

106. After contact with the Vatican, a decree was issued by Abbot Martin Shipperlee and Andrew Soper was expelled from the monastery of St Benedict of Ealing on account of his scandalous behaviour. He is no longer a monk though remains a priest (limitations on what he can do).

107. Interviews on 24/1/17 and 25/1/17: The defendant is asked at length about the other allegations from further complainants – RC-A608, RC-A610, RC-A609, RC-A8 and RC-A611 Soper answered 'no comment' to all of the questions asked but a short prepared statement was given in relation to each. In short, the prepared statements say that Soper vaguely recognises the surnames but not the pupils. Whilst he accepts he may have caned the complainants, he denies any inappropriate or sexual contact; any touching or comments made in relation to injury were appropriate.

108. The defendant was charged with the further offences concerning RC-A8, RC-A608, RC-A610, RC-A609, and RC-A611.

109. To Conclude: What was represented to these complainants at the time as chastisement and physical punishment, in fact had sexual motives. In the case of some complainants, perhaps the more vulnerable children, the thin guise of punishment was hardly needed to veil Soper's real intention. That veil quickly fell away and the defendant's true objective of sexual abuse on young boys was exposed.

110. The reality, borne out by the evidence, is that the status of this defendant within the school together with the effect of his actions created a combination of fear, a sense