

I have been asked about any attempts to obtain an injunction against Rod Hilton. I recall two attempts were made but turned down. I do not know the reasons why but I feel they would have helped had they been granted. Brian Williams requested one after the 'intruder' incident and was told by either the Police or Probation service that it wouldn't happen. Once he was released from Prison Liz Dobie made an application for an injunction but it was also refused. On this second application I believe it was declined as Hilton had been rehoused and it was felt that any threat posed by him had diminished.

I have been shown a copy of exhibit RC/23/B/8 handwritten notes of meeting dated 15/03/91 re Knowl View School. I was present at this meeting with Cliff Bentley, Steve Bradshaw, Mike Poulton, Monsoor Kazi, and Brian Williams.

Brian Williams made the notes as I recognise his handwriting. Mike Poulton was still acting Head Teacher at the time of this meeting and Steve Bradshaw was Head designate. The meeting was held in conference room seven of the council offices. I remember the meeting but not the detail. There were no Police officers at this meeting as it was an Education Department meeting. Cliff Bentley made comment that there was a lot of talk but not many actions had arisen out of the 8th March meeting. This was not just about Education and the department as there was an overriding need to implement Child Protection measures. Some additional resources and building matters were approved. Steve Bradshaw was at the meeting and brought up to speed, and Mike Poulton was able to report on any progress to date. The main outcome was that Steve Bradshaw was told about the situation and personalities and brought up to speed in detail and told that the Local Education Authority were supporting him. The minutes of the meeting would have gone to The Social Services, within the council, and John Pierce. I believe this is documented somewhere as a briefing for the Chief Executive.

I was empowered to move certain monies round at this time, although only within the Knowl View budget. Other budgetary matters were the subject of vetting as a result of a decision by the finance department. I was satisfied at this time that everyone who should be aware of what was happening were so aware and particularly as I was expecting the Police and Social Services to come back and report what they intended to do. By the end of this meeting I felt things were happening as I expected them to. However sometime around 20th March 1991 the Police reported back that neither they nor Social Services thought they ought to involve themselves in an investigation. I cannot recall if this was at the time that Gordon Littlemore resigned and Ian Davey took over, but John Pierce was certainly involved in this decision. Councillor Mary Moffatt was aware of the intruder incident because she was chairman at the

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