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File Note

Area Under Discussion: Bishop Alfred HOLLAND

Date: 25.10.10

Name: Michael Elliott

Position: Director of Professional Standards

phone call received

meeting

other

phone call made

Details:

On the 25.10.10 I received a phone call from a female who was very agitated and irate. She spoke aggressively with me for approximately 15 minutes during which time she made the following points;

- That she was very angry that the Church was being upfront about Fr. Peter RUSHTON's abuse only now when they have known about it for years
- That the Church were only exposing RUSHTON at the moment as he was deceased and as a diversion from identifying current abusers
- That she met with Bishop HOLLAND in 1980 and told him of RUSHTON's abuse and a situation (she did not elaborate) involving her 5 old son. She claimed Bishop HOLLAND was threatening and dismissive of her and twisted the facts blaming her 13 old son for the situation.
- That she had spent many years supporting her son (the 5 old) REDACTED and continues to do so.
- That Keith Allen sent her a letter threatening her to keep quiet about the matter or she would be subject to legal action by the diocese.
- That she would be going to the media in one weeks time to report on all of these facts.
- She demanded to know the whereabouts of Bishop HOLLAND (staff on reception, Emma Haining, had inadvertently told her when answering the call that HOLLAND was dead. I informed her he was not dead but would not disclose his contact details instead encouraging her to go to Police.
- She declined my offer to meet with Bishop Brian or myself to discuss the matters
- She would not disclose her details. I asked her to call back to speak with me when she was ready and she said she would not.

Signed _____