

## Cost of Legal Representation Awards Ruling 8

1. In rulings of today's date I have re-designated Robin Lane a core participant in the Inquiry and I have designated Mike Schwarz of Bindmans LLP as Mr Lane's recognised legal representative in the Inquiry. Mr Lane has also made an application for an award of costs of legal representation. The principles that I have applied to applications for costs awards in favour of core participants are set out in my first Costs of Legal Representation, dated 16 December 2015, at paragraphs 3 - 16.
2. Mr Lane has provided me with information about his financial resources. He falls into a category of applicants who probably would not qualify for legal aid in civil proceedings but whose participation in such proceedings would result in severe financial strain. As a matter of principle I have decided that such applicants should not be required to bear the cost of representation in the Inquiry (see first Costs of Legal Representation Awards, paragraph 12).
3. I shall make a costs award in Mr Lane's favour under section 40 of the Inquiries Act 2005, rule 21 of the Inquiry Rules 2006 and paragraph 2a of the Secretary of State's costs determination. In common with all other current awards, it will be limited to the preliminary legal issues which the Inquiry is considering. In Mr Lane's case, subject to further application to the Chairman, that means that he will be funded only for the purpose of making a joint response with other non-police core participants to applications made by police officer or former police officer core participants for anonymity. The chronological cut-off date for current awards, including Mr Lane's, is 31 July 2016 and will be extended when necessary.

14 June 2016

Sir Christopher Pitchford  
Chairman, Undercover Policing Inquiry