

19 March 2018

OPERATIONAL NOTE

Preliminary hearing

Date: Wednesday 21 2018
Start Time: 10:30am
Location: Court 73, Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2A 2LL

Please note:

- There will not be an overflow room for this hearing;
- The [seating plan](#) is available and will be displayed in the hearing room immediately prior to the start of the hearing.

The seating plan

This hearing will consider in order;

- Anonymity applications by; HN17, HN41, HN64, HN71, HN109, HN125, HN301 “Bob Stubbs”, HN336 “Dick Epps” , HN337, HN341 HN343 “Jon Clinton” and HN347 “Alex Sloan”. All associated document can be located on the Inquiry website and the table contained in the press notice that can be located [here](#) along with the Charimans directions relating to the application thaty can be located [here](#)
- The Lambert Report: The Inquiry Chairman will hear additional oral submissions to those already received from the [Guardian News and Media](#), the [Metropolitan Police Service](#) and the [Designated Lawyers](#).

NOTES TO EDITORS

Media

1. Media representatives must present valid identification on arrival (media organisation staff pass, National Union of Journalists card, or a letter of accreditation from a media organisation).
2. Sir John Mitting will not give media interviews.
3. Transcripts of the proceedings will be posted up on the Undercover Policing Inquiry website as soon as practicable after the close of the hearing.
4. Wifi is not available in the Royal Courts of Justice courtrooms. There is a BT Openzone Hotspot at the back of the main hall near the coffee shop, Café 26. MiFi dongles may be used in courtrooms.

Restrictions in the Royal Courts of Justice and in the hearing room and in the media/public annex

5. The Royal Courts of Justice conduct security checks and maintain the following restrictions:
 - Camera and recording equipment are strictly prohibited and should not be brought into the Royal Courts of Justice.
 - Mobile phones and Blackberry devices must be switched off or switched to 'silent'.
 - Telephone calls are not permitted in the hearing room when the Inquiry is in session. Telephone calls may be made in the hearing room during breaks in proceedings but must conclude before the hearing resumes. To make calls during the hearing attendees must leave the hearing room.
 - Text-based media is allowed in the Inquiry's hearing room and public areas of the RCJ. However, they must not cause a disturbance or distraction to proceedings and are subject to the Chairman's right to remove that privilege if he believes it is harming the administration of justice; **further, [by an order made by the Inquiry Chairman on 15 October 2015](#), no transmission of any statement made during the course of a hearing may be made until a period of 60 seconds has elapsed after the statement is made.**
 - Laptops may be used in the Inquiry's hearing room and public areas if they do not disturb others but they may not be used to make live recordings of proceedings. Laptops must be battery-powered as power sockets are not available.

UNDERCOVER POLICING INQUIRY

- Personal entertainment devices such as MP3 players and iPods may not be used in the hearing room when the Inquiry hearing is in session.
- The Inquiry Secretariat reserves the right to eject individuals who fail to comply with these conditions.
- Parking is not available within the Royal Courts of Justice and parking outside the court is extremely limited.
- Further information about the Royal Courts of Justice can be found [here](#).

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