

Lack of response to this letter, led me to send a chaser email on 31 May 02

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I WAS RIGHT THAT KENSINGTON POLICE WAS PROTECTING ANDREW LADSKY

See my 28 May 09 Subject Access Request; the 2002, 2003, 2007 police reports
My 13 Aug 09 reply, police 'response' of 25 Aug 09; mine of 20 Sep 09, copied on 20 Sep 09 to
Mark Heath, Chief Superintendent, which led to the 22 Sep 09 'response' from Steve McSorley,
Professional Standards, and subsequently 20 Nov 09 'reply'
My letters of 28 Nov 09 and 2 Dec 09 to Alan Johnson, Home Secretary, and Sir Paul
Stephenson, Met Commissioner in which I relate events

Sir Toby Harris (Lord of Haringey)

Need for independent investigation of crime report BS 5604102 / 02C

Sir Toby this is a plea for help - in your capacity as Chair of a department with the remit to "ensure that London has a police force that is responsive to the needs of its community" - to have a police investigation reviewed by a totally independent party from my local police station, Kensington and Chelsea.

The above crime report number was issued following incidents of harassment and intimidation incidents I reported to the Chelsea Police station on 18 February 2002. Comprehensive details of these events are included in my letter to the Police Complaints Authority of 13 March 2002 (Appendix 1)

In summary, in the space of 18 days (from 1 February to 19 February):

- (1) I received 20 anonymous phone calls (over a 2 day period) (all traced by British Telecom)
- (2) My door bell was pressed late at night
- (3) A small hard object thrown at my windows, also very late at night

I have lived at the above address for 26 years. None of this has ever happened to me before. These incidents are clearly all linked, ie. perpetrated by the same individual/co-ordinated by one person, and intended to harass and intimidate.

The perpetrator is Andrew David Ladsky ⁽¹⁾

I believe the perpetrator to be Andrew David Ladsky, an individual connected with the ownership of the headlease (and possibly the freehold) ⁽²⁾ of our block of 35 flats.

Subsequent to having reported the above incidents to Kensington CID (DC Adams), on 26 February, Andrew Ladsky pushed me aside in the (relatively narrow) entrance corridor in order to overtake me. I believe that this amounts to assault.

It's the address for (one of) his solicitors, Cawdery Kaye Fireman Taylor (CKFT)

⁽¹⁾ British national, born 11/08/1960, living at 35 Jefferson House – with another address at London NW3 1QA where quite a number of businesses linked with him/his family appear to be domiciled

⁽²⁾ Although leasehold legislation states that, by law, tenants have the right to know the name of directors and secretary for their headlease, we are not being provided with this information. This is despite numerous attempts by our local Citizen Advice Bureau, and the Kensington & Chelsea Tenancy Relations Officer to obtain this information

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I am being targeted because, since the beginning of the year, as representative of a small group of residents, I have been challenging the managing agents – and ultimately the headlessor/freeholder who pull the strings of the managing agents - in particular in relation to plans to undertake works on the block ⁽³⁾

Potentially, my only hope of hard evidence against Andrew Ladsky are the anonymous phone calls

While the evidence from the incidents of harassment and intimidation point to Andrew Ladsky, including, obviously, the certainty that he pushed me in the corridor, I cannot prove any of it.

This leaves the anonymous phone calls as the only potential source of hard evidence.

It is nearly three months now since British Telecom provided Kensington Police station with the telephone numbers from which the anonymous phone calls were made. To date, only one name has been provided - and the story is totally unbelievable

On **20 February** BT told me the anonymous phone calls had been from a mobile phone, as well as from a landline number provided by **Reach Europe**, a competing telephone service provider. They sent the information to Kensington Police on that day.

After nearly three weeks of chasing Kensington Police for the name of the subscriber for the telephone numbers, on **13 March 2002**, I wrote to the Police Complaints Authority stating that I found it hard to believe that the police had to wait all this time to get the information. Could they please help.

Within a week of posting the letter, DC Adams contacted me to say they had obtained the name of the person who made the anonymous phone calls from the mobile phone: Mrs _____, who lives in flat 33 (below Andrew Ladsky).

The story, which is detailed in various documents in Appendix 1 (in particular my letter of 2 April to Paul Webster), simply does not add-up:

20 March 2002

- DC Adams: "*Her phone was stolen in November. So, whoever stole her mobile phone made the calls*"

I find it very difficult to believe that, having stolen a phone, somebody would: (1) wait four months to dial the number in the memory; (2) dial a number 13 times in succession on one day; (3) let two days go by, then dial the number seven times in the space of a half-hour. Clearly, this person knew who he/she was calling

DC Adams also asked me if I wanted to prosecute. I told him I'd get back to him on this.

I WAS RIGHT ABOUT THE INTENDED FRAUD - and that it was going to be "a nightmare"- see e.g. LVT; Brian Gale; MRJ; CKFT; Priddle Brewster; West London County Court; My Diary 22 Nov 08 - for summary evidence

⁽³⁾ In essence, I concluded that they were trying to get us to pay for things we should not be paying for.

At it is turning out, my suspicions appear to be correct: in a letter of 26 March, Martin Russell Jones, the managing agents state they anticipate works to exceed £1 million + VAT and fees (Appendix 2). This could bring the total to £1.5 million – all to be paid for by the residents. (There are a total of 35 flats in the block). By comparison, previous refurbishments were c. a tenth of that price.

This is an absolute and utter nightmare: to fight this off will cost tens of thousands of pounds.

25 March 2002

- Call in the morning from DC Adams asking me if I was going to prosecute. When I said that I needed more facts in order to decide, he became quite unpleasant. But I stood my ground.
- Approximately 3.5 hours later, I received a call from DC Adams saying that Mrs had changed her story: (1) “her mobile phone had mysteriously reappeared”; (2) “she has admitted to having made the calls herself. Does not know why she did it. She says she has nothing against you”.

I find the following very difficult to believe:

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Note A

- 1) The suggestion that Mrs is mentally deranged. This does not strike me to be the case. (In light of what is going on in the block, my subjective opinion is that she is siding with Andrew Ladsky because of the prospect of financial gains)
- 2) That in the space of approximately 3.5 hours: (a) she had been contacted (b) been made to come to the police station (c) had been interviewed

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Note A

(On 24 April, at 19h30, I met Mrs in a local street. She said to be very sorry and to have nothing against me. I challenged her by saying several times: “are you saying that you made the calls, not Andrew Ladsky?” Every time she replied: “I like you, I have nothing against you”. In fact, she repeated this about 7-8 times. But she never admitted to having made the calls herself. It was also very clear that she wanted to find out whether I was pursuing the matter further)

27 March 2002

- I pointed out to DC Adams that the name of the subscriber for the landline number had yet to be provided.
- He tried to make me feel guilty by saying that my request would mean “throwing resources at this for just two phone calls. Mrs has admitted to making the calls”. In other words, why could not I be satisfied with their explanation and drop the matter.

As it was clear that I was not going to get the name of the subscriber for the landline number from DC Adams, I wrote to Paul Webster, Detective Inspector at Kensington police station on 2 April relating the events since my letter of 13 March to the Police Complaints Authority (Appendix 1)

As there was no contact, on 16 April I wrote to Duncan MacPherson, Superintendent, Directorate of Professional Standards, Kingston-upon-Thames (Appendix 1). (I had his name from the Police Complaints Authority who had copied him on my original letter to them).

On 18 April, Paul Kirby (?) of Kensington police offered to meet me to discuss my letter to Paul Webster. Having accepted to meet him on 20 April, the minute I put the phone down, I felt very uncomfortable doing this. I phoned back to cancel the appointment.

I phoned the Police Complaints Authority explaining this. In particular, that having the local police station investigate itself was totally unsatisfactory. They recognized this and said that the law would be changed...next year!

I assumed that Duncan MacPherson performed the role of an independent party. I eventually managed to talk to him on 23 April. Yet again – as with the Police Complaints Authority – his recommendation was that I had to sort things out with Kensington police. If I was still unhappy, to then get back to him.

I am no longer happy to deal with Kensington police in relation to this matter. There is something going on which I feel warrants an independent review of their investigation – including going back to British Telecom to confirm the telephone numbers from which the anonymous phone calls were made.

In addition to the above, my feeling of unease comes from:

- When I first spoke to DC Adams and said that I believed the perpetrator of the incidents to be Andrew Ladsky, his immediate reply was that “*nobody has ever complained about him*”. When I mentioned the name of a resident who had (Mr , flat), not only was he able to immediately remember him, he was also able to describe him (in a dismissive tone) (“*the 74 year old man*”)

- Reading between the lines, the letter from Paul Webster of 23 April (Appendix 1) confirms (what I already knew) that other residents have complained to the police about Andrew Ladsky – but there was lack of proof. (Interestingly, it would appear that not one of these complaints was formally registered). (I insisted on making mine official)

(Appendix 3 details events in relation to Mr , flat and Mr , flat – including involvement by police)

(Appendix 4 details harassment and intimidation by Andrew Ladsky of Mrs , my predecessor in terms of driving residents association’s activities – including some of these incidents being witnessed by another resident, . Ms also states that the police had suggested to Mrs that it would be best for her to leave the block. She did. (Andrew Ladsky bought her flat). Ms also appears to have been harassed by Andrew Ladksy)

(Appendix 5 details harassment and intimidation by Andrew Ladsky/others connected with him of Nucleus, our local Citizen Advice Bureau)

- On 27 March, DC Adams told me that I “*would not be able to prove a link with Andrew Ladsky*”. (How can he be so certain?)
- The following day DC Adams tried to fob me off again, by saying that he had contacted Reach Europe and there was not a subscriber for the number. He added “*BT is wrong. Something must have gone wrong with their system*”.

Sir Toby, I think you will agree that this requires an independent review. I trust you will be able to pass this on accordingly.

Many thanks in anticipation of your assistance

Best regards

Noëlle Rawé

Note A

I subsequently found that a “*caution*” filed on 10 October 2003 in favour of Steel Services was entered on the Land Registry for flat 33 (see site).

See also Particulars of Claim filed in West London County Court on 29 Nov 02 which indicate that the claim against flat 33 was the 2nd highest, at £62,000

See:

- Toby Harris 11 July 02 reply to my letter
- Mine of 4 August 02
- His of 7 August 02

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