



Statement on Behalf of Anne Donaghy

We act for Anne Donaghy, the former Chief Executive of Mid and East Antrim Council.

She has an out standing High Court legal action against the Council alleging discrimination together with extant Tribunal disciplinary proceedings.

Today we received notification that she will be prosecuted on three counts of allegedly concealing records; aiding and abetting another person to erase or conceal a record and attempting to erase or conceal a record contrary to FOIA and other legislation.

Our client denies any wrongdoing during her time in office and will vehemently contest these three technical offences . Central to her defence will be very strong allegations of investigative bias over the manner in which this inquiry has been conducted. Those same allegations have been the subject of a long-running complaint to PONI, the out workings of which will feature in any trial, if one is ever directed.

Anne Donaghy has an impeccable record and service working for the council. She wants to put on record her sincere thanks for the all the support she has received from former colleagues in Council and beyond in the wider community. Our client takes a lot of strength from this and knows it will serve her well going forward when confronting what are essentially contrived politically motivated allegations.

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