

Donegal. I was away except at weekends and even then at weekends I was often away, so I was holding things up, which is why there was such a long delay between the complaint and the statement.

28. Then a couple of months after I gave the statement in November, Rosie was blown up. Then I got a letter a bit later to say that the investigation into the abuse about Rosie had been stopped because she had been killed.
29. I heard about Rosemary's death on the news. I think that I had come back down here. Or perhaps was working back here. Rosie's sister lived round the other side of Tannaghmore, and her kids were going to school and saw the car after the bomb had gone off. I wasn't happy when I heard the news, and I thought it was a disgrace. It's not a nice thing to happen to anyone. Rosie was a lovely woman. I was very at ease with her, and talking to her was like talking to a friend. She didn't bombard you with big words.
30. The word was that Rosemary had been set up. The cops or someone in the security forces had set her up to get murdered. As they say, even a blind man would have known. The police hated her with a passion because she used the law, and she used it to the first degree. They couldn't cope with this so they set her up. I would say the majority of people in this town think that Rosie was set up. The day before the murder, the whole area was swamped with RIR. Rosie was away that weekend, and then she was killed on Monday. You just don't swamp an area and then the next day someone gets killed, it just doesn't happen. I couldn't say why the RIR were there. The rumour was more or less that they were securing the area for their Loyalist friends to fix a bomb. I don't know whether this is right or not. There were lots of foot patrols in the area, with the RIR just doing what they generally do, which is being a nuisance. This is what I heard, although I didn't see them. I'm not sure if I was around or not.
31. When people in Lurgan heard about Rosemary's death, the town was devastated. There was a candle lit vigil outside her office and even people at the top of the town were