

██████████. I then wrote to Stephen Leach on 30 December 1998 to update him on matters RNI 305.354-355. I reported that visits to both Councillors homes on 22 December 1998 were arranged. I stated that Councillor MacCionnaith was “*distant but co-operative*”. I have already explained above what I meant by this.

30. I sent a briefing to Susan Scholefield on 13 January 1999 on the personal security measures that had been put in place for Councillors MacCionnaith and Duffy  RNI 306.007-010. This was in preparation for the Prime Minister’s meeting with the GRRC. It was anticipated by some that Councillors MacCionnaith and Duffy might raise their security at this meeting. I personally doubted that they would. I believed that they were both very satisfied with what we had done for them. I stated in my briefing to Susan Scholefield that “*we have a good tale to tell*”. I have been asked by those interviewing me what I meant by this. I simply meant that despite the fact that Councillors MacCionnaith and Duffy were not eligible for protection under the KPPS scheme, we had found a way of providing them with some security which retained the integrity of the scheme. The only matter I thought Councillors MacCionnaith and Duffy might raise, although I also doubted this, was in relation to security for the other GRRC members. All I knew was that Tony McCusker was dealing with this and that if something was being done for them, it would be something outside any Government scheme or the normal run of things. I have been asked by those interviewing me whether I knew anything about the Rowntree Trust in connection with this or the detail of the arrangements. I confirm that I do not.

#### **Threat assessment of Ms Nelson**

31. Although I was not aware of any of this at the time, I understand that the police carried out a threat assessment of Councillors MacCionnaith and Duffy and, at about the same time, they also separately carried out a threat assessment of Ms Nelson. I further understand that the Committee on the Administration of Justice (“CAJ”) wrote to Adam