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From: Michael Andrews
Sent: 25 February 2010 12:34
To: Pike, Richard; Rachael Martin
Cc: Alex Weir; Briony Mills; Gesinde, Yindi; Harry Cayton; Tim Bailey
Subject: RE: Barton case meeting

Richard

Just to confirm I agree with your proposed second option ie for you to prepare a report covering the usual things but relying on Peter's advice. If we do refer I am sure it would make sense to keep Peter involved in the case.

Mike

From: Pike, Richard [mailto:Code A]
Sent: 25 February 2010 12:21
To: Rachael Martin
Cc: Alex Weir; Briony Mills; Michael Andrews; Gesinde, Yindi
Subject: FW: Barton case meeting
Importance: High

Dear Rachael

Thank you for your email to Yindi. I should have come back to you before on this.

I think there are basically two options for the meeting prep on Barton. One option would be for us to read all the papers ourselves as well as Peter and prepare the usual Lawyers' Report including cross-references to relevant sections of the transcript. This would have the advantage that we would be fully across the facts if CHRE does decide to appeal but it does strike me that it is probably not very efficient and defeats the point of getting Peter to do the legwork instead of us. The better option, I think, is as you suggest for us to produce a report covering all the usual points about CHRE's jurisdiction, powers and discretion but otherwise relying on Peter's advice rather than conducting our own independent review of the papers. Effectively, we would be drawing out key points from Peter's advice. I would suggest that we do that and bill at our usual CHRE hourly rates for preparing it and attending the meeting. The only disadvantage of this option is, of course, that we will not be across the facts to any significant extent if CHRE decides to appeal. I'm not sure that matters if Peter remains involved but I did just want to draw it to your attention.

Could you let me know if you are happy to proceed on this basis?

Best regards

Richard

From: Rachael Martin [mailto:] Code A
Sent: 25 February 2010 12:01
To: Gesinde, Yindi
Cc: Alex Weir; Briony Mills
Subject: RE: Barton case meeting

Dear Yindi

Thanks for your email.

I am a little confused and just want to confirm that as well as Peter's report there will be the usual lawyers' report provided before the case meeting for panel members to consider. Mike has stated that this does not necessarily have to be extensive and will probably be based on Peter's report but will state whether we are within our statutory deadline and refer to relevant judgments etc.

Rachael

From: Gesinde, Yindi [mailto:] Code A
Sent: 24 February 2010 12:10
To: Rachael Martin
Cc: Pike, Richard
Subject: RE: Barton case meeting

Dear Rachael,

Thank you for your email, I will forward the fax to Peter Mant for his reference. Peter's report will be ready next week, which should hopefully give the panel members sufficient time to review it before the meeting takes place.

Finally, before Briony went on leave she queried whether we had spoken further with Peter about his estimate. Peter has provided us with an estimate of £10,000 plus VAT. This is at the upper end of his initial quote, but most likely due to the amount of exhibits involved.

Kind regards,

Yindi

From: Rachael Martin [mailto:] Code A
Sent: 24 February 2010 10:49
To: Gesinde, Yindi
Cc: Pike, Richard
Subject: RE: Barton case meeting

Dear Yindi

We are still in the process of confirming the day and time for this meeting but I will let you know as soon as it has been confirmed.

Briony is on leave at the moment and I'm not sure if she discussed with you whether a lawyers' report would be provided beforehand for the CHRE panel members to consider bearing in mind that they will not have read the full transcript of the hearing. Please advise as to whether this has been agreed.

I am also forwarding you a fax we received from Blake Laphorn today in relation to the case. The letter is password protected using the usual password; please contact me if you are unable to open the document.

Kind regards,

Rachael

From: Gesinde, Yindi [mailto:] Code A
Sent: 18 February 2010 11:13
To: Briony Mills
Cc: Tim Bailey; Michael Andrews; Rachael Martin; Pike, Richard
Subject: RE: Barton case meeting

Dear Briony,

Thank you for your email. I have contacted Peter Mant's clerk, and both dates and times have been pencilled into his diary pending final confirmation.

Kind regards,

Yindi

From: Briony Mills [mailto:] Code A
Sent: 18 February 2010 11:03
To: Gesinde, Yindi
Cc: Tim Bailey; Michael Andrews; Rachael Martin
Subject: Barton case meeting

Hi Yindi

Further to your call the other day, I have spoken with Mike and he would like Peter Mant to attend the meeting. Unfortunately we can't put a solid date in the diary just yet, but have pencilled in 22nd March between 12 and 2 and 23rd March between 2 and 4pm. Would it be possible to ask Peter to put aside both times and we will let him know as soon as we can confirm dates?

I am on leave from next week until 9th March, so my colleague, Rachael, will be in touch about this. Please let me know if there are any problems with this.

Many thanks

Briony

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