

Eleanor Atkinson. I have no doubt that on this occasion I would have been accompanied by a fellow officer from the Portadown CID Office and I would also have had nearby uniform support when I carried out this enquiry. Both these persons confirmed and supported the telephone contact; however, they both declined to make a witness statement. I recorded the information as provided and submitted it to the HOLMES account on a Message Form, M39 dated 25th November 1997 refers.

On 4th December 1997 I apprised Detective Chief Superintendent McBurney of my interview with the Hanveys. We discussed the investigation surrounding Reserve Constable Atkinson. Detective Chief Superintendent McBurney was firmly of the view that the evidence gathered to date would not have resulted in a successful prosecution against R/Constable Atkinson, his wife or the Hanveys for assisting offenders and withholding information. As a result of him coming to this conclusion, he informed me that he was going to continue to review this investigation and await future investigative opportunities, which he seemed to me to sincerely believe would materialise either through developments with Michael or Andrea McKee.

He stated that he intended to submit a DPP File regarding the ICPC investigation that would incorporate the associated allegations regarding Reserve Constable Atkinson and the enquiries and their outcomes conducted up to that date. I assisted Detective Chief Superintendent McBurney in the compilation of his DPP file by gathering and ordering the bundle of evidential statements, interview transcripts and other documents that would support his DPP report. I was aware that the information provided by Andrea McKee on the 8th May 1997 had not been submitted onto the HOLMES account and therefore would not be identified through the disclosure process. I also had not documented this matter in the DPP file, which I had submitted regarding the murder of Robert Hamill. As a consequence of the DPP directions following the consultation with Tracey Clarke on 22nd October 1997, this matter had not been the subject of any detailed discussion. I was also aware that in May 1997 Detective Chief Superintendent McBurney and Detective Chief Inspector **P39** had had meetings with the DPP regarding Tracey Clarke and Timothy Jameson's statements but again I was unaware if the issue of Andrea McKee had been raised on those occasions. I raised this matter with Detective Chief Superintendent McBurney to establish how he wanted to address this issue within the DPP file. Detective Chief