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Sent: 14 September 2021 15:30

To: [redacted]

Subject: RE: KM19001930 – [redacted] - Update and Copies of FPNs

Hi [redacted],

That would be kind of you to contact them, thank you. Yes, hopefully the countermands will be actioned by the Kilmarnock Office soon.

I have been advised that the Sheriff was given all information available - including the environmental impact statement, the previous fines and the narrative. Ultimately it was in the Sheriff's hands.

Thank you again for all of your help over the last few months including the phone calls, travel for giving us the productions, drafting emails and sourcing additional information. You definitely made my task a lot easier to handle and I've learned some fishing terminology along the way.

If I receive any further information then I will let you know and I'm sure there will be a couple more fishery cases to become involved with in the future.

Kind regards,

[redacted]

From: [redacted] <@copfs.gov.uk>

Sent: 13 September 2021 08:17

To: [redacted]>

Subject: RE: KM19001930 – [redacted] - Update and Copies of FPNs

Morning [redacted],

I have asked admin for an update as the minute sheet is not imported to the case as of yet. I've been informed that a plea was tendered and the disposal is £2,200 to be paid within 6 months. That's the only information I have at present however all witnesses can definitely be countermanded. We will do that from our end in the next few days.

Kind regards,

[redacted]

From: [redacted] <@copfs.gov.uk>

Sent: 10 September 2021 16:49

To: [redacted]

Subject: RE: KM19001930 – [redacted] - Update and Copies of FPNs

Hi [redacted]

Still no update. I've asked our admin team in Kilmarnock for an update but we might not have one until Monday.

Checking the online system, it appears the plea was tendered today and witnesses should be able to be countermanded however I'll get formal confirmation first. No disposal on the system yet.

Have a great weekend and I'll speak with you on Monday.

[redacted]

From: [redacted] <@copfs.gov.uk>

Sent: 10 September 2021 13:02

To: [redacted]

Subject: RE: KM19001930 – [redacted] - Update and Copies of FPNs

Hi [redacted]

You read my mind as I literally just opened the case during lunch to find out if there was any update. Unfortunately the iPad minutes have not been uploaded yet so I have no update for you. The case has also to be referred to the management team given it's high profile nature so I'll keep looking and as soon as I know I'll email you.

As far as I'm aware the agent is not travelling today. He was hoping it could be dealt with in his absence (i.e. the Sheriff still sentence him). He has provided his mitigation however I think that with our information, your environmental impact statement and the income figures you provided, the Sheriff will want to defer sentence for the accused's personal appearance. That's my first instinct but it means we will still be able to countermand witnesses because the plea has been tendered. I'll let you know that information also.

Kind regards,

[redacted]