

Annexe to Chris Atkins statement to Leveson Inquiry:

Full transcript of recorded telephone conversation between Chris Atkins and Sunday Mirror Journalist Nick Owens.

Reception: Good afternoon newsdesk

CA: Hi I wondered if you could help me. Err I've got some relatively sensitive information that I think someone might be interested in making into a good story. Um is there anyone I could speak to?

Reception: Yes hold on a second

NO: Hello newsroom

CA: Hi ur I wondered if you guys might be interested in some information that's sort of crossed er crossed my path? Um it's quite sensitive um so I'm just making initial enquiries just to see a what it's worth and b

NO: Yup

CA: If it could be run without us being

NO: Yup sure

CA: Fingered as it were. Basically um someone I know works in a private cosmetic surgery clinic

NO: Right

CA: And basically I've been on at her for years to say look you could make a fortune if you just give the right information to the right people but um she's fairly straight laced anyway she's fallen out with her boss, she might lose her job and she's sort of called me up saying can I make some enquires because they have some fairly high profile people

NO: Right

CA: Come through their doors and I wanted to know if you guys might be interested

NO: What are you saying she wants to do a story about the celebrities she's treated?

CA: Yeah well she doesn't treat them she works in the clinic

NO: Well is she still there or has she left?

CA: No no she's still there

NO: She's still there?

CA: Yeah

NO: Well, yeah I mean I would be very interested I think what it's crying out for is a cup of coffee or a glass of wine between you and me really. Are you in London or?

CA: Yeah yeah I am yeah

NO: I think we need to do that because I can just have a chat with you about the whole thing.

CA: Yeah

NO: I mean to be honest with you it's extremely sensitive in the case of that patient confidentiality thing but you know if you want to set up a relationship with a journalist to start feeding information through then that's absolutely fine. Could I ask you to call me

CA: We're both really skint so...

NO: Yeah I know fine well that's music to my ears, why don't you give me a call on Tuesday today's just a bit of a nightmare but give me a ring. What's your name?

CA: Morris

NO: Morris

CA: Case

NO: What did you say?

CA: Morris Case

NO: Morris Case. Give me a ring Tuesday, um, my name's Nick Owens. Just give me a bell and we'll arrange a meeting

CA: Ok, whereabouts are you guys based?

NO: Canary Wharf

CA: Ok I know Canary Wharf, ok brilliant

NO: Do you want me to take a number for you as well?

CA: Er yeah sure, um it's just um I'm not around I sort of travel round a bit sometimes.

NO: Ok

CA: I'm not around at the start of next week but I will be at the end.

NO: Fine

[Chris gives a mobile number]

NO: I mean is there anyone recently that's had anything done that would be particularly interesting to me?

CA: Yeah

NO: Is there?

CA: Yeah, well it's not just who's getting stuff done it's who comes in for consultations and what for.

NO: Yeah ok

CA: She works for, she does the admin so she there's a lot she can see so yeah I

NO: Great

CA: My ears were burning

NO: Brilliant yeah ok so you're [number]

CA: Yup yup

NO: That's brilliant thanks Morris. What I'll do, I'll call you Tuesday. I've got your number now so and we'll arrange a meeting.

CA: Ok

NO: Thanks bye