

Schedule of 'Beulah JARMAN' Emails

Published emails from a pseudonymous(?) Complainant (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN'), widely believed to refer to events in the time period September and October 2016. [Responses indented]

EMAIL 1: 18th December 2017

From: [REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]
To: Kevin Hollinrake MP <kevin.hollinrake.mp@parliament.uk>
Cc: All 50 Scarborough Borough Councillors,
Subject: Sexist Bullying at Scarborough Borough Council
Date: 19 December 2017 at 14:54:10 GMT

Dear Mr Hollinrake

Given the current climate around sexual harassment and bullying in public life I am writing to ask you as my member of parliament ask the Conservative party and Scarborough Borough Council to take action against Cllr. Derek Bastiman and Cllr. Joe Plant.

It is widely known in Filey that you were approached by constituents last year to intervene in a case of severe bullying and harassment against a local councillor by Bastiman and Plant. I find it unacceptable that these two thugs are still allowed to serve as councillors.

The Conservative party claims that it takes action against bullying. Why have you and your party not taken action to remove these two thugs as councillors? How embarrassing must it be to have constituents ask for action to be taken to protect a councillor by people who are your party colleagues?

What would have happened if you hadn't intervened? Are you sure it won't happen again? If it does what will you say at the inquest. Will the media be sympathetic. Time for action Mr. Hollinrake.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]
Filey Resident

Dear [REDACTED]

I totally deny this serious allegation.

I have spoken to my solicitor and I would like you to retract this statement and apologise in a response to everyone in this email. If not, then I will be asking my solicitor for further action to be taken.

Regards.

Cllr. Joe Plant
Portfolio Holder - Transformation
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EMAIL 2: 19th December 2017

From: [REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]
Date: 19 December 2017 at 16:35:32 GMT
To: Cllr. Joseph Plant <Cllr.Joseph.Plant@scarborough.gov.uk>
Cc: All 50 Scarborough Borough Councillors, "kevin.hollinrake.mp@parliament.uk"
Subject: Re: Sexist Bullying at Scarborough Borough Council

Dear Cllr. Plant

Thank you for the threatening response to my email. I believe that you have libelled me. Unfortunately for you, there are at least three witnesses in Filey who contacted Kevin Hollinrake MP about Cllr. Bastiman's and your behaviour. They are Cllr [REDACTED, Mrs [REDACTED] and Mr [REDACTED] who are all known to Cllr Cockerill. All tell similar stories about October 2016.

Cllr Bastiman and you were planning to force an extremely ill councillor to attend a meeting where they were to be thrown out of the Conservative group. There were deep concerns about the serious impact on the Councillor in question. Your bullying nearly led to a death. The person involved was extremely ill and used your position to bully them. Kevin Hollinrake knows this.

So I would welcome a chat with your solicitor as they may suggest that you apologise for this email and tell the truth.

Interestingly Cllr Bastiman and Kevin Hollinrake have not responded so quickly. Probably very wise in the circumstances.

The #Metoo movement is real.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]

Email response from the office of Kevin HOLLINRAKE MP

From: Charlotte Milligan <charlotte.milligan@kevinhollinrake.org.uk>
Date: Wed, Dec 20, 2017 at 7:47 AM
Subject: Re: Sexist Bullying at Scarborough Borough Council
To: [REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]

Dear Ms Barton,

Thank you for your email.

Mr Hollinrake has sked me to advise you that you should make a complaint to the council

<https://www.scarborough.gov.uk/home/council/complaints-comments-and-compliments>

and/or take the matter up with the Chair of Scarborough Conservative Association.

Best wishes for Christmas,

Kind regards,
Charlotte Milligan
Office of Kevin Hollinrake MP

Email response from Councillor Joe PLANT [Con.]

Dear Xxxxx XXXXXXXX

Your email is noted.

If you or anyone have evidence, then please go to the relevant authorities through their complaints procedure.

I will be only too glad to help with their enquiries.

I hope you have a lovely Christmas too.

Regards.

Cllr. Joe Plant

Portfolio Holder – Transformation

EMAIL 3: 19th December 2017

From: [REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]

Date: 19 December 2017 at 18:19:20 GMT

To: All 50 Scarborough Councillors

Subject: Sexist Bullying at Scarborough Borough Council

Councillors

I have been told that my previous email might have been 'censored'. As you will Cllr Plant is not telling the truth.

[REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]

Email response from Councillor John NOCK [Con.]

On Wed, Dec 20, 2017 at 5:38 PM, Cllr. John Nock
<Cllr.John.Nock@scarborough.gov.uk> wrote:

Ms Barton,

You have been misled. There is a very short list of people who have been deemed unreasonable complainants and you are not on it.

Should you ever send in unreasonable or vexatious emails you will be notified of the consequences if you continue to do so.

Our policy is open and transparent, as has been made abundantly clear on both Yorkshire Coast Radio and in response to questions in Cabinet.

Cllr John Nock,
Mulgrave Ward.
Portfolio Holder for Legal and Governance

EMAIL 4: 20th December 2017

On 20 Dec 2017, [REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')] at 20:20, wrote:

Cllr Nock

Why have you not responded to my previous email about your thoughts on the allegation. Also Cllr Plant's email to me is both threatening and unreasonable. What action will be taken against him?

[Paragraph REDACTED]

Regards

[REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]

Email response from Councillor John NOCK [Con.]

On Thu, Dec 21, 2017 at 9:44 AM, Cllr. John Nock
<Cllr.John.Nock@scarborough.gov.uk> wrote:

I did not respond for two reasons. You have made allegations which you have not substantiated and expect me to act as judge and jury. Your second paragraph is crass and thoughtless. You have absolutely no idea about my family history or that of my friends.

Email response from Councillor Dilys CLUER [Green.]



The screenshot shows a Twitter thread with two replies. The first reply is from Dilys Cluer (@DilysCluer) 2 hours ago, replying to a user whose name is redacted and @ScarboroCouncil and 8 others. Her text reads: "I acknowledge this. Something went very wrong & since it must not recur, truth would be useful." Below her text are icons for replies (1), retweets, likes, and a direct message icon. The second reply is from Kevin Hollinrake (@kevinhollinrake) 2 hours ago. His text reads: "There is a complaints process to handle this type of grievance conservatives.com/codeofconduct". Below his text are icons for replies, retweets, likes, and a direct message icon.

Twitter response from [REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]



EMAIL 5: 1st January 2018

From: [REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]
Date: 1 January 2018 at 16:33:10 GMT
To: Cllr. Joseph Plant <Cllr.Joseph.Plant@scarborough.gov.uk>, All 49 *other* Scarborough Borough Councillors,
Subject: Re: Sexist Bullying - awaiting an apology

Dear Joe

Can you please confirm that your threat of legal action has now been withdrawn. I assume that you have been informed by Cllr Bastiman and Kevin Hollinrake as to what actually happened late in 2016.

Can I also thank Cllr Dilys Cluer for confirming that there are questions to be answered as to the actions of Conservative councillors and the Council regarding their treatment of a vulnerable woman. It is strange that Kevin Hollinrake changed his response to me when Cllr Cluer expressed her concern on Twitter.

You suggested that I make a complaint. I have been told that the chairwoman of the complaints committee is also an office holder at Scarborough and Whitby Conservative Association. I have also been told that it is you who appointed her to her position. I can see why you were so relaxed about being investigated by someone who could not properly investigate you without losing money. Can you explain how a senior member of the local Conservative party could investigate any conservative councillor?

Conservative councillors just imagine the next election trying to explain why you allowed Plant and Bastiman to get away with nearly killing one of you own councillors!

Time to ask some questions.

Happy new year. It is going to be very interesting for some of you.....

EMAIL 6: 28th January 2018

From: [REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]
Date: 28 January 2018 at 23:32:13 GMT
To: <mailto:kevin.hollinrake@parliament.uk>,
Cc: All 50 Scarborough Borough Councillors,
Subject: Follow up - Misogynistic Bullying at Scarborough Council

Missed me?

Well a couple of emails before Christmas and suddenly Joe is 'moved' to Mayor. Apparently he will be known as Joe 'Jaconelli' Plant when the truth comes out.

Loyal Kevin did not become a minister. Embarrassing story about to break? Now time do the right thing instead of trying to get me to reveal my address.

To help you. I have the tweets from October 2016. They don't look very good for Plant and Bastiman. 'Murders' What went wrong that night? Which Councillors knew? Who in Council management knew? Did Kevin Hollinrake know?

Why did they do nothing? Cover Up to protect Joe and Derek?

I know now why Kevin Hollinrake wanted me to go to SBC and make a complaint. Heather Phillips was bought off with money to Chair one meeting. Imagine being so cheap that you would turn a blind eye to a fellow female councillor nearly dying. Enjoying your 'hush' money?

Love

[REDACTED - (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah JARMAN')]

Email response from Scarborough Borough Council (unsigned)

From: General <General@scarborough.gov.uk>

Date: 9 February 2018 at 12:36:37 GMT

To: [REDACTED] (NYE pseudonym 'Beulah Jarman')

Cc: kevin.hollinrake@parliament.uk, All 50 Scarborough Borough Councillors

Subject: Various allegations

Dear [REDACTED - 'Beulah Jarman']

Reference is made to the emails you have sent to all Borough Councillors, and in which you make very serious allegations as well as disparaging and defamatory comments.

Allegations

If you have evidence to support your allegations of criminal behaviour then you should contact the police using the non emergency telephone number 101.

If you believe the Councillors against whom you make your allegations are in breach of the Council's Code of Conduct and can provide evidence to support this then you should make a formal standards complaint via the Council's website at:

<https://democracy.scarborough.gov.uk/mgFormDisplay.aspx?formname=standardscomplaint>

Please refrain from sending further emails of a similar nature and direct any future communications through the correct channels as set out above.

Defamatory Comments

Your allegations are being made without the support of evidence, and the content of your emails contains defamatory statements. This is causing considerable anxiety, nuisance and distress. This is heightened because you are sending your communications to multiple recipients.

Please note that your emails have been passed to the North Yorkshire Police, who are currently reviewing the evidence in relation to harassment.

Unreasonably Persistent and Unreasonable Complaint Behaviour

Needless to say the Council does not expect its staff or members to tolerate unacceptable behaviour by complainants or any customer.

The Council has in place a policy for dealing with unreasonably persistent and unreasonable complaint behaviour. This policy is derived from the Local Government Ombudsman and has been adopted by the Council. A copy of the policy can be accessed via the following link:

<https://democracy.scarborough.gov.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=12595>

Should you continue to send emails or other correspondence containing unsubstantiated allegations and defamatory statements, the Council will consider applying the above policy.

This will mean that your access to Officers and Elected Members will be restricted. The Council will also pass the correspondence to the police.

It is repeated that should you have evidence to support your allegations, then you should pursue this through the appropriate channels as set out above.

Scarborough Borough Council

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