

Inquiry into Red Sky Spotlight programme

I refer to your letter of 24th October regarding evidence I gave to the Committee on 2nd October regarding Gary Ballentine

When I was asked to appear before the Committee I was not notified that this would be an area that I would be asked about and accordingly did not seek information about this from official NIHE records.

At the beginning of my evidence I indicated that these events took place some time ago and I was working from memory and thus might not always be accurate.

I totally forgot that at the Special Board meeting of October 2010 a Consultant's report regarding the circumstances of Gary's move was considered. Therefore my response to Mr Allister was incorrect and I wish to apologise to Mr Allister and the Committee for this. To the best of my recollection the matter was not dealt with at a normal scheduled Board meeting.

You ask for my comments on the Management response and statement. I am not quite sure what you mean by this. Whilst I mistakenly gave evidence that the consultants report had not gone to the Board during my tenure I am aware and have since confirmed that the issue was not resolved until after I left.

Again my apologies for the inaccurate reply I gave to the Committee and Mr Allister on this matter.

Yours etc