

**Re: Question for Andrew Crawford**

Sam McBride [Sam.mcbride@newsletter.co.uk]

Sent: 17 February 2017 19:22

To: Clive McFarland

Thanks Clive.

The crux of the story is largely focused elsewhere and I've got a UFU statement saying they never had contact with advisers, etc, but I just wanted to give everyone a chance to respond because of the allegation about him delaying closure (which he denies) and emails we have here which show that was what the UFU wanted. The emails are to officials, though.

Enjoy your weekend.

Sam

On Fri, Feb 17, 2017 at 7:15 PM, Clive McFarland <[clivemcfarland@dup.org.uk](mailto:clivemcfarland@dup.org.uk)> wrote:

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**From:** Sam McBride [Sam.mcbride@newsletter.co.uk]

**Sent:** 17 February 2017 14:04

**To:** Clive McFarland

**Subject:** Re: Question for Andrew Crawford

Thanks Clive

On Fri, Feb 17, 2017 at 2:01 PM, Clive McFarland <[clivemcfarland@dup.org.uk](mailto:clivemcfarland@dup.org.uk)> wrote:

I have forwarded on the question and can try to reach him.

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**Re: Question for Andrew Crawford**

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**Sent:** 18 February 2017 11:57

**To:** andrew crawford [andrewdcrawford@rhi.inquiry] Personal information redacted by the RHI Inquiry

**Categories:** Yellow Category

Yes but without any quotes or anything.

Sent from my iphone

On 17 Feb 2017, at 20:34, andrew crawford <andrewdcrawford@Personal information redacted by the RHI Inquiry> wrote:

Sorry Clive, only picking this up now.

Did you respond to McBride?

Sent from my iPhone

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**Sent:** 17 February 2017 14:43

**To:** Clive McFarland

**Subject:** Re: Question for Andrew Crawford

<https://www.ufuni.org/news/rhi-claims-wrong-says-ufu>

Will call shortly- see above press release.

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