

Mr David Smythe
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15 July 2016

Dear Mr Smythe,

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- **All University Court papers and correspondence concerning or mentioning myself.**
- **Correspondence between the Secretary of Court and Professor Paul Younger (member of Court and of College of Science and Engineering), mentioning myself, and**
- **Correspondence between the Secretary of Court and IT Services, mentioning myself.”**

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Yours sincerely

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David Smythe

Correspondence from
IT Services

Clare Grady

From: Mark Temple
Sent: 27 June 2016 10:41
To: David Clark (ITS)
Subject: FW: David Smythe

Re. SAR

-----Original Message-----

From: Lesley Carr
Sent: 02 February 2016 10:09
To: Kenneth Whyte <Kenny.Whyte@glasgow.ac.uk>; Mark Temple <Mark.Temple@glasgow.ac.uk>
Subject: FW: David Smythe

Kenny,

See below, can you send the message back to David Smythe on behalf of David Newall?

regards
Lesley

-----Original Message-----

From: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Sent: 02 February 2016 10:06
To: Lesley Carr <Lesley.Carr@glasgow.ac.uk>
Subject: RE: David Smythe



Lesley

Thanks for the message. Can you arrange for the following message to go to Professor Smythe.

Thank you

David

Dear Professor Smythe



It was drawn to my attention recently that you have a current email account with the University. I understand that it was created in 2011, though I am unclear why this happened.

When members of staff leave the University, our practice is that their University email account is terminated. I have therefore advised IT Services that the email account should be closed. If there is a reason why you believe you should continue to have an email account with the University, please let me know what it is.

Yours sincerely

David Newall
Secretary of Court

-----Original Message-----

From: Lesley Carr
Sent: 02 February 2016 09:03
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Cc: Lee McClure
Subject: RE: David Smythe

David/Lee,

David Smythe has contacted the Helpdesk requesting his e-mail account be fixed as he cannot get into it. I have asked the helpdesk to do nothing regarding this until I contact you. What do you want us to do about this?

regards
Lesley

-----Original Message-----

From: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Sent: 29 January 2016 10:19
To: Lesley Carr <Lesley.Carr@glasgow.ac.uk>
Cc: Lee McClure <Lee.McClure@glasgow.ac.uk>
Subject: David Smythe

Lesley



Can you please make arrangements to have the email account for David Smythe terminated.



I did manage to speak with Shane Kelly, and we both agree that there is no good reason for it to stay open.

Thank you

David

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David Smythe

Correspondence from
Paul Younger, Science & Engineering

Clare Grady

From: Paul Younger
Sent: Fri, 15 Aug 2014 16:35:15
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court), Maggie Cusack
Cc: Lee McClure
Subject: RE: Defamatory comments

Thanks David

A further piece of background  **our legal team**  want to look at is the attached summing up from a QC about Smythe's testimony at a recent **public enquiry in Sussex** (which is a matter of public record).


Paul Y

-----Original Message-----

From: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Sent: 15 August 2014 16:33

To: Paul Younger; Maggie Cusack
Cc: Lee McClure
Subject: RE: Defamatory comments

Paul, Maggie

I'm happy to leave this until the two of you are back. So, I will ask Lee to arrange a date in September for us to meet.

Best wishes

David

-----Original Message-----

From: Paul Younger
Sent: 15 August 2014 16:20
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court); Maggie Cusack
Cc: Lee McClure
Subject: RE: Defamatory comments

Dear David

Thanks for this. Obviously we will need to get our legal people people to look at this too. I am off on annual leave now until 1st Sept, and travelling for work that week, so perhaps a holding reply is in order as we won't be able to meet and discuss until after 8th Sept.

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In the meantime: His claim that the third point in the Times article is defamatory is laughable as he himself is quoted in the same article as agreeing he should not have claimed to be a C.Geol. when he has not been one for 16 years. It is not just a matter of paying a subscription - it is adhering to a code of practice and committing to CPD - neither of which he has done. If an ex-Chartered Accountant or ex-Chartered Surveyor made such claims they could land in jail. In fact I attach a note from a Justice of the Peace (sent to the Geol Soc but copied to me) which sets out the possible legal violation he has committed here.

All I want is distance between his uninformed views and those of us who actively work and publish peer-reviewed papers on these topics. I have no intention of pursuing him further.

In any case, he'd need very deep pockets for a libel case, especially one as weak as this. If he was serious in that threat he'd have had a lawyer draft this, not this amateur attempt which any specialist in such cases would have advised him not to write. He has already undermined any possible case by writing this.

Best wishes

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-----Original Message-----

From: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Sent: 15 August 2014 16:09
To: Maggie Cusack; Paul Younger
Cc: Lee McClure
Subject: FW: Defamatory comments

Maggie, Paul

See attached letter.

I would like the three of us to meet to discuss before I send a reply.

Will ask Lee to contact you to find a suitable time.

Best wishes

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David

-----Original Message-----

From: Dorothy Welch

Sent: 13 August 2014 13:13

To: David Newall (Secretary of Court)

Subject: FW: Defamatory comments

For you!

Dorothy

-----Original Message-----

From: Prof David Smythe [mailto:dks1e@udcf.gla.ac.uk]

Sent: 13 August 2014 13:05

To: Dorothy Welch

Cc: John Chapman

Subject: Defamatory comments

Dear Ms. Welch



Following recent comments about me in the national press, I now enclose a **letter** for the attention of Mr Newall and the University Court.

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David Smythe

[Emeritus Professor of Geophysics, University of Glasgow] Ventenac en Minervois, France

Dear David,



I write to you in your capacity as [REDACTED]

I have read reports in today's press concerning Professor David Smythe. As Paul Younger is quoted as pointing out if Smythe has done paid work in which he represented himself as a CGeol then it is indeed fraud. Wearing my hat as a Justice of the Peace, Smythe may be guilty of what is quaintly described as ' Dishonestly obtaining for himself a pecuniary advantage by a deception'. This is a criminal offence under Section 16 of the Theft Act of 1968. This offence is triable either way (Magistrate's Court or Crown Court). Upon conviction this carries a maximum sentence of 5 years in prison &/or an unlimited fine.

You may wish the **GSL** to take the matter further.

7. CCOF

7.1 Dr Smythe



Professor Smythe was a very important witness at the Inquiry. He had been flown in from the South of France especially to give expert evidence on behalf of CCOF. Such was his importance and commitments that special arrangements were made to hear his evidence out of the normal order. It is evident that Dr Salmon had placed reliance on Professor Smythe's opinions and judgements from an examination of Dr Salmon's evidence including his precognition.

Accordingly it is important if not essential that the evidence and the background and approach of Professor Smythe is considered in a little detail.

I refer to and rely upon the entire cross examination of Professor Smythe which lasted a couple of hours or more. This I submit was illuminating and instructive. It confirms the mind set and approach of Professor Smythe. I propose to rehearse some of the main aspects of his answers and evidence from cross examination.

The Professor is retired and has been since 1998. He agreed he has been out of mainstream geology since 1998, because as he put it he had no longer has "slaves" to do "donkey work" for him. When the question was put directly again he answered with a simple "yes" that he has been out of the mainstream for fifteen years. Since his retiral he has lived in the South of France running a little business (in fact a B&B).

Professor Smythe accepted that in 1994 he had "persuaded" BNF to commission an initial 3D seismic survey which was undertaken by the Professor/Glasgow University. After many questions and lengthy answer the Professor agreed that BNF or Nirex did not commission any further 3D survey and did not use or rely upon the initial survey. Although Professor Smythe stated he was not sacked nor did he resign from any work for Nirex he did confirm that he appeared against Nirtex at the subsequent Inquiry and appeared on behalf of FOE. The Professor's interest if not insistence in relation to 3D seismic surveys has therefore been

longstanding. Interestingly BNF/Nirex having seen the Professor's initial survey declined to commission him again for a further 3D survey.

Professor Smythe then accepted fairly that despite his retrial he became involved in later proposals for storage in Cumbria. I think it fair to submit that the Professor has been rather outspoken and direct in his criticism in relation to this issue.

I draw attention to allegations by Professor Smythe relating to storage in Cumbria. The following are some of the criticisms and allegations made by Professor Smythe:-

- that was rather dishonest of DECC
- DECC dishonestly analysed certain information and manipulated results
- the Professor accused the government of being essentially underhand in their strategy
- DECC displayed an immense degree of incompetence in running this and previous consultations
- DECC ignored rational argument and evidence
- DECC was engaged over 15 years in a covert campaign
- DEFRA wilfully misled the public
- DECC and NDA continue to mislead the public
- DECC of being mistrusted and misrepresenting
- DECC of fabrication
- DECC of being afraid of science
- CoRWM cannot be trusted

The Professor accepted he had been extremely critical of regulators. I then questioned Professor Smythe about his evidence on behalf of himself and "no-one else" to the House of Lords Committee in relation to shale gas. That is document DEJ73. In this the Professor -

- accuses Halliburton of being misleading
- was "very critical" of not only Halliburton, but also the Royal Society and DECC
- accepted in a later answer that Halliburton are "not necessarily wrong" - this notwithstanding the early criticisms
- was and is critical of the Environment Agency (EA) and claims they have insufficient expertise
- criticises DECC - "absolutely"
- criticises Celtic Energy who stated 1200m of rock is an effective seal
- criticises Green Park/Dart in relation to the sealing properties of the overlying drift
- criticises the EA for accepting the foregoing [again the Professor accepted it is him against the EA]
- criticises various operators in relation to lack of information/seismic data "highly incompetent" he confirmed
- criticises West Sussex Council
- criticises the Lancashire - Quadrilla application for lack of information and those that consented it

In conclusion on this topic I asked whether the criticisms that the Professor has made in relation to other applicants or other regimes is virtually identical to those that he now makes of Dart today ... (lack of information no 3D and the like). The Professor's answer readily summed up the entire issue perfectly. "Yes and it is illustrating a certain pattern of inadequate regulation". In short the Professor accepted that in truth his complaint is with the regulatory system and the inadequacy of the system. The other possibility as I put to the Professor later is that he simply misunderstands how the regulatory system works which is I submit the truth of the matter.

However the good Professor's criticisms continued after lunch with criticisms of SEPA and the ability of look at the "big picture" and its "competence". He confirmed he had no faith in SEPA.

However the Professor did accept part of the problem is that he has no confidence in SEPA.

In answer to the question "Your complaint really is one against the system" - the Professor replied - "I'm against certain parts of the system". At the same time he denied he was a "Punk Maverick" realising that that had been the purpose of initial questioning. Well whether the Professor is indeed a "Punk Maverick" is for other to judge. However in perhaps the most crucial set of answers the Professor accepted again "I'm anti the current system". Then he went on to confirm that he wanted to put himself in the position of regulator because he does not trust the regulators, and he accepted it was the Professor against the system "in a few minor instances".

In other passages of the cross examination it was apparent that the Professor has no real experience of drilling, despite criticising the techniques employed; had made fundamental errors in his initial assessment in CCOF13 and accordingly wished it to be disregarded. The Professor also made errors regarding Airth 6 and 8.

The Professor could not and did not make any criticism of Mr Goold's evidence about the Black Warrior Basin and indeed accepted the evidence about that issue. This is an important consideration given the evidence of Mr Goold. It is of equal importance that the Professor fairly accepted that there was "no fugitive emission of methane" at Blackpool despite a fracking operation there and an earthquake which caused damage to the pipe casing.

The Professor again importantly accepted that with dewatering there is a negligible risk of fugitive methane emissions. He admitted "100%" that dewatering gives the hydraulic gradient you want and "there is no problem".

The Professor had not looked at or considered Condition 12 or the Methane Monitoring Plan but "welcomed that".

He further stated he was content and withdrew his evidence (number 12 in rebuttal) as a result.

The single most important piece of evidence given by Professor Smythe indeed possibility the entire Inquiry however was given in evidence in chief. In response to a question from Sir Crispin the Professor gave another very long answer. I invite a detailed examination of the typed transcript. However the short point is that the Professor accepted that Mr Gould was correct that "faults are sealed up tight by the regional stress" and this is true down to 500m.

This at a stroke then is the end of any possible concern about fugitive emissions. It is of some note this evidence was given by the main and most important witness for CCOF.

Finally of course, in cross examination, having made the various concessions and admissions that I have referred to above the Professor accepted that he could give no examples of any fugitive methane emissions anywhere in the world. The answer was on this occasion short, simple, and to the point - "I cannot do that". In a sense that short direct answer when taken together with the evidence in chief that faults were sealed (due to pressure forces) down to 500m says it all. The conclusion must inevitably be that as the Professor correctly stated any faults are sealed down to 500m. Accordingly there is no possibility of any fugitive methane emission through those faults. This is precisely why the Professor could give no examples - because according to his own evidence it simply cannot occur. It is as simple and straightforward as that. This is the very issue that has been accepted elsewhere both in England and in America. It explains why there is no evidence of fugitive emissions through faults in these various locations. A great deal of time at the Inquiry was devoted to this issue. In truth it was Professor Smythe who despite criticising the system and virtually all who operate in it, gave the most compelling evidence as to why there will be no fugitive emissions through faults. Indeed in truth Professor Smythe has actually agreed with "the systems" assessment of this issue. That really is the end of this issue.

Clare Grady


From: Paul Younger
Sent: Wed, 30 Jul 2014 13:51:48
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court), Maggie Cusack, John Chapman, Dorothy Welch
Cc: Muffy Calder, Ross Barker, Peter Aitchison, Roderick Brown, Susan Waldron, Finlay Stuart, Daniel Koehn
Subject: RE: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

Dear All

Just so it doesn't take you by surprise, through my Royal Academy of Engineering link (I served on the 2012 shale gas panel which David Smythe has repeatedly mis-represented in public enquiries and the media) I ended up answering questions from a Sunday Telegraph journalist just now about this issue, and it is likely a piece will appear on Sunday. Everything I said is fully supported by publicly-available documentation, no internal university correspondence was mentioned or disclosed, and I de[redacted] to name those other Univ professors and academics who share my dismay at **Smythe making untruthful and misleading claims** which potentially damage our reputation. I strongly feel that scientific integrity is at stake and silence can be misconstrued as support - I think Smythe has relied on this hitherto. Anyway, just to you are aware, my Royal Academy of Engineering commitment pre-dated my arrival here, and I have duties to that which I must respect.

Best wishes

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-----Original Message-----

From: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Sent: 23 July 2014 21:37
To: John Chapman; Paul Younger; Dorothy Welch
Cc: Maggie Cusack
Subject: RE: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

John

I'm not clear to me whether or not the cease and desist letter would have arrived before this text was prepared.

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Whether or nor, I would rather not react further to this article at this stage (I see Paul has already posted a response). I'll discuss the matter with Dorothy - and with Paul and Maggie - when Dorothy returns from holiday.

Best wishes

David

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From: John Chapman
Sent: 23 July 2014 14:18
To: Paul Younger; Dorothy Welch; David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Cc: Maggie Cusack
Subject: RE: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

David

I gather Dorothy is now on holiday. Not sure if she has left the Smythe problem with anyone in her absence. Do you have suggestions?

Sorry to trouble you.

Thanks

John

-----Original Message-----
From: John Chapman
Sent: 23 July 2014 14:16
To: Paul Younger; Dorothy Welch
Cc: Maggie Cusack
Subject: RE: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

Dorothy

What are the alternatives for the next step?

Thanks

John

-----Original Message-----
From: Paul Younger

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Sent: 23 July 2014 09:25
To: Dorothy Welch; John Chapman
Cc: Maggie Cusack
Subject: RE: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

Dear Dorothy

A Senior Research Fellow of ours (Rob Westaway), who, unlike Smythe is a genuine leading expert in this topic, just sent me the following link:
<http://www.clickgreen.org.uk/news/national-news/124974-top-geologist-warns-fracking-hearing-of-the-dangers-of-shale-gas-drilling.html>


Smythe has clearly paid no heed to your letter.

Paul Y

-----Original Message-----

From: Dorothy Welch
Sent: 16 July 2014 13:08
To: Paul Younger; John Chapman
Cc: Maggie Cusack
Subject: RE: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

Dear Paul


I have sent a 'cease and desist' letter to David Smythe asking him not to give the impression of misrepresenting the University. I would hope that would be sufficient but we need to continue to be alert. We cannot easily withdraw access to UoG email as it was part of an agreement when he left us; that said, if he continued to bring the University into disrepute we could escalate the situation. I'm not willing to do that just now though. We don't have a procedure for withdrawing emeritus status but I have flagged to HR that we need to develop one.


We do need to be careful about running the risk of 'defaming' DS so best that you don't engage directly with him.

Best wishes
Dorothy

-----Original Message-----

From: Paul Younger
Sent: 16 July 2014 12:43
To: John Chapman
Cc: Dorothy Welch; Maggie Cusack
Subject: RE: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

Dear John


Has this progressed at all? This morning I had correspondence with the Chief Executive and current President of the Geological Society (which I will happily share with you if desired), who have now checked out Smythe's status right back through their archives and found that there is no record he ever was a Chartered Geologist, and has not even been a member of the Society (the only institution that can confer that status, under the relevant Royal Charter) since 1996. He has made this fraudulent claim to being a Chartered Geologist in two public documents submitted to a recent planning enquiry (2013), and on that basis the President is writing him to tell him to cease and desist from his

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fraudulent claim.




Given this prima facie evidence that he lied in his letter to you, this to my mind heightens the case for, at very least, removing his access to a University of Glasgow email address. I'd be keen, in the light of all the above, to move forward on this matter now, as it has been pending for some weeks.

I wish we had the wherewithal to go further, but it would not appear that the Univ statutes allow us to "strike off" emeritus status from anyone claiming it, no matter the depths of turpitude to which they sink. Leaving this case aside, that seems a little bit of an open-ended liability in this day and age. We do not have any such indefinite right for employees, so why should ex-employees have a much stronger position? As a matter of principle, maybe we should petition Senate and Court for a change of statute for future cases.

Best wishes

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-----Original Message-----

From: John Chapman
Sent: 07 July 2014 08:54
To: Paul Younger; Dorothy Welch; Maggie Cusack
Subject: RE: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

Thanks Paul.

Dorothy

Any progress on determining what steps we might take to distance ourselves from David Smythe's views?

Thanks

John

-----Original Message-----

From: Paul Younger

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Sent: 04 July 2014 13:52

To: John Chapman; Dorothy Welch; Maggie Cusack

Subject: RE: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

Dear John



It is interesting that he makes no attempt to gainsay my main claim of misrepresentation - i.e. over what the Joint Royal Academies' report states, on which he is absolutely wrong. If necessary, I (and many others) can provide detailed documentation of how his 'meticulous research' is completely mis-conceived - mainly due to the fact he has no hydrogeological background. See for instance:

<https://www.geolsoc.org.uk/Geoscientist/Archive/April-2013/Of-honesty-and-best-policy>
and

<https://www.geolsoc.org.uk/Geoscientist/Archive/April-2014/Radwaste-factual-corrections>

The first is by the chief Scientist of the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority, and the second by a recent past President of the Geological Society and current Editor-in-Chief of Geoscientist magazine. These are hardly negligible authorities. As [redacted] and [redacted] at Strathclyde will attest, these are the tip of the iceberg.



As for his protesting that he IS a C.Geol. he might want to explain why the Fellowship Director of the Geological Society can find no record of this (see attached). (I have asked the Membership Secretary of the Society to clarify if this is a glitch with their system - it had no bother finding me, though ...).

I relish scientific debates; what I do not appreciate is pretended knowledge in a field other than his own being publicly peddled as authoritative insight, especially when this flies in the face of readily-accessible, high-quality information, collated by genuine experts in the relevant fields, such as that from the Royal Society and the Royal Academy of Engineering. What he is doing is not public engagement - it is misleading the public.



Best wishes

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-----Original Message-----

From: john.chapman@glasgow.ac.uk [mailto:john.chapman@glasgow.ac.uk]

Sent: 04 July 2014 13:23

To: Dorothy Welch; Paul Younger; Maggie Cusack

Subject: Fw: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

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For info.

I shall send a simple formal acknowledgement of the message.

John

Sent from my BlackBerry(r) wireless device

-----Original Message-----

From: Prof David Smythe <dks1e@udcf.gla.ac.uk>
Date: Fri, 4 Jul 2014 00:22:09
Cc: John Chapman<John.Chapman@glasgow.ac.uk>
Subject: Re: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

Dear John

I am sending this short email to correct factual errors in the abusive email to me dated 1 July 2014 from Prof Paul Younger, and copied to you and the BBC (below). I have declined to reply directly to him.

Firstly, I am indeed an Emeritus Professor of the University, granted in perpetuity since 1998, and I am indeed a Chartered Geologist, with four decades of professional practice and consultancy.

My understanding is that one role of UK universities is to encourage evidence-based debate under principles of academic freedom. That means it is possible, indeed probable, that there may be fundamental disagreement between experts. Within the scientific method such disagreement is argued out on the basis of evidence, not on the basis of asserted superior academic qualifications or of the most recent research results.

I am reporting in the media the results of meticulous personal research, which are relevant to the debate on security of extraction of unconventional hydrocarbons. This is clearly of interest to the public, who have a right under academic freedom to hear different voices coming to different conclusions.

We should be glad that the University is able to participate in that debate.

Yours

David

On 01/07/2014 12:16, Paul Younger wrote:

> Dear Professor Smythe

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> Working on a paper in my study this morning, I was alerted by my wife to today's Morning Call programme on shale gas on BBC Radio Scotland. I was saddened to hear you on that programme once more shamelessly using your emeritus professor status to tacitly imply that you have some meaningful connection to the present-day research base here at the University of Glasgow, and then proceeding to misrepresent not only geosciences generally, and hydrogeology in particular (of which you are clearly deeply ignorant), but also the work of the joint Royal Academies' Panel on shale gas, on which I served. If you had read the report of that panel properly, as you purported on air to have done, then you would know fine that it DID NOT restrict itself to induced seismicity, as you so wrongly claimed. It dealt at length with the issues of groundwater pollution, which you pretend to know about, despite your utter lack of

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hydrogeological background. I of course phoned-in offering to put the record straight, but was not given the opportunity to do so. Hence this email.

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> I find it the height of disingenuous unprofessionalism that you presume to speak wearing the University of Glasgow badge, whilst making no attempt whatsoever to engage with the current generation of researchers here, who are actively engaged in proper, process-based scientific investigation of the topics upon which you presume to opine in public, with your customary hand-waving and ill-informed, crowd-pleasing prejudice. For someone who has spent much of his career developing and protecting freshwater aquifers for purposes of public water supply and ecosystem services (in Scotland and far beyond), I find your attempts to sow doubts in the mind of the general public by making claims that run counter to the basics of groundwater hydraulics and geochemistry utterly appalling. I am anxious that you doing so in the name of the University of Glasgow, but without any interaction with the active researchers here, risks damaging our reputation in the eyes of the scientific community - as well as needlessly scaring our fellows citizens, who have enough genuine things to worry about without your specious claims that the geology of Scotland is somehow so uniquely complex that the general principles of groundwater hydraulics do not apply here. This is stuff and nonsense, as you know, or should know if you properly read any literature on the matter other than your own outpourings.

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> I notice that you have never exposed yourself to the rigorous professional review process that is the necessary precursor to becoming a Chartered Geologist. It is just as well, I suppose, for were you a C.Geol. you would be in serious breach of our code of conduct, which forbids holding forth on a topic in which you are not properly versed (in your case, environmental hydrogeology).

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> I beseech you to desist speaking on behalf of the present generation of researchers at the University of Glasgow, whom you neither know personally nor even know, it clearly appears, from their publicly-available publications. I suspect you will not heed this plea. Do not be surprised, then, when you find yourself facing me on a public platform someday, when I shall not hesitate to denounce your charade of pretended knowledge, and expose your much-vaunted links to the University of Glasgow for the cold historical artefact that they are.

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> Yours faithfully

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> Paul Younger

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Clare Grady

From: Paul Younger
Sent: Wed, 23 Jul 2014 21:40:21
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Cc: John Chapman, Dorothy Welch, Maggie Cusack
Subject: Re: Misrepresenting the University of Glasgow

Thanks David


Various industrial research partners have suggested an open letter to major newspapers making clear he does not speak for us. Not sure ...

No need to rush into anything though - this can wait till everyone's back in circulation.

Paul Y

Sent from my iPhone

On 23 Jul 2014, at 21:37, "David Newall (Secretary of Court)" <David.Newall@glasgow.ac.uk> wrote:

> John
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> > I'm not clear to me whether or not the cease and desist letter would have arrived before this text was prepared.
>
> Whether or nor, I would rather not react further to this article at this stage (I see Paul has already posted a response).
> I'll discuss the matter with Dorothy - and with Paul and Maggie - when Dorothy returns from holiday.
>
> Best wishes
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> David
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> ;
> David Newall
> Secretary of Court & Director of Administration
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> Glasgow G12 8QQ
> 0141 330 4246
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Clare Grady

From: Paul Younger
Sent: Mon, 13 Oct 2014 12:26:47
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Subject: Re: Representation from Prof Smythe

Thanks David

I will proceed accordingly and, given sensitivities, definitely make sure you are at least aware of all correspondence.

Paul Y

Sent from my iPhone

On 13 Oct 2014, at 12:06, "David Newall (Secretary of Court)" <David.Newall@glasgow.ac.uk> wrote:

Thanks Paul!

Yes, my letter to Smythe says we do not intend to make public statements about him, but I think we do have to respond to [REDACTED] question/concern.

I don't want you to feel you have to pass things by me for approval. But am happy to review a response if that would be helpful.

Best wishes

David

From: Paul Younger
Sent: 13 October 2014 11:34
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Subject: Fwd: Representation from Prof Smythe

Dear David

With impeccable timing this just arrived from a local authority. Smythe has clearly ignored our previous request not to present himself as representing the university ... More importantly he is making representations on areas outside his expertise, but within those of myself and Dr Rob Westaway. While clearly I have no intention of going public over this, is it within the terms of our understanding that we can give this lady a concise, technical answer? I would be happy to pass such an answer by you before sending if that helps?

Paul Y

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]
To: "Paul Younger" <Paul.Younger@glasgow.ac.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Representation from Prof Smythe

Dear Mr Younger



Your details were passed to me by a colleague and I hope you do not mind me contacting you on this matter.

Lancashire County Council is in receipt of planning applications from an oil and gas company called Cuadrilla for the drilling, fracking and extended flow testing of the gas with a direct connection to a local gas transmission pipeline, if extended testing is thought to be viable and is carried out. The applications are accompanied by an Environmental Statement that is extensive. The applications can be viewed on the County Councils website at <http://planningregister.lancashire.gov.uk/>

We have now received many representations on the proposals. The attached representations from David Smythe raises objection on the grounds of geology, seismology, and hydrology.

We note that David Smythe addresses himself as 'Emeritus Professor of Geophysics, University of Glasgow'. I would normally expect representations that claimed an affiliation with the University of Glasgow to be supported by the University, and so I would be grateful if you could consider the matters I raise and advise whether you have any comments.

Supportworks: Mail Message

To: Maggie Cusack; Paul Younger
Cc: Lee McClure
Subject: FW: Defamatory comments

Maggie, Paul

See attached letter.

I would like the three of us to meet to discuss before I send a reply.

Will ask Lee to contact you to find a suitable time.

Best wishes

David

-----Original Message-----

From: Dorothy Welch
Sent: 13 August 2014 13:13
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Subject: FW: Defamatory comments

For you!

Dorothy

-----Original Message-----

From: Prof David Smythe [mailto:dks1e@udcf.gla.ac.uk]

Sent: 13 August 2014 13:05
To: Dorothy Welch
Cc: John Chapman
Subject: Defamatory comments

Dear Ms. Welch

Following recent comments about me in the national press, I now enclose a letter for the attention of Mr Newall and the University Court.

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David Smythe

[Emeritus Professor of Geophysics, University of Glasgow] Ventenac en Minervois, France

Clare Grady

From: Paul Younger
Sent: Thu, 12 Mar 2015 09:41:22
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Subject: FW: Shale Gas Environmental Summit - Formal invitation to Speak

Dear David



Please see below and attached. D K Smythe's ongoing behaviour of totally ignoring our earlier cease-and-desist letter has now led to him being on the same platform as one of my present-day Glasgow Univ colleagues (a genuine, peer-review published research in shale gas) peddling contrary nonsense, not research-based, also in the name of Glasgow Univ. Could the Univ send a letter to the conference organisers pointing out that Smythe in no way represents the present-day research team of the Univ of Glasgow? Of course Rob could say this at the meeting, but it might be less painful for him if he knows we have done the above?

Best wishes

Paul Y

From: Robert Westaway [mailto:Robert.Westaway@glasgow.ac.uk]
Sent: 11 March 2015 21:23
To: paul.younger@gla.ac.uk
Subject: FW: Shale Gas Environmental Summit - Formal invitation to Speak

Paul

I just agreed to stand in as an invited speaker at another shale gas conference after [REDACTED] decided she has done enough of this kind of thing for a while.

I have noted the seventh invited speaker on the list, who continues to trade off the name of the University of Glasgow. Can nothing be done about this?

Yours, Rob

Dr Rob Westaway
Senior Research Fellow

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 March 2015 19:48
To: Robert Westaway
Subject: Shale Gas Environmental Summit - Formal invitation to Speak

Dear Robert,

I understand that you are happy to speak at the Shale Gas Environmental Summit with SMI in October and to stand in place of [REDACTED]

I have attached the draft programme and the confirmation form to this email.

Clare Grady

From: Paul Younger
Sent: Wed, 05 Nov 2014 11:57:02
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Subject: FW: David Smythe speaking in Canterbury

FYI David: he is clearly not in any way honouring the request we made that he cease from quoting his Glasgow affiliation.

Paul Y

From: Ross Barker
Sent: 05 November 2014 11:53
To: Paul Younger
Cc: Peter Aitchison
Subject: David Smythe speaking in Canterbury

Hi Paul –

FYI, a story from the Canterbury Times just showed up in a Google Alert – looks like David Smythe is still using his emeritus professor title and will be attending a public debate on fracking on November 19: <http://www.canterburytimes.co.uk/Public-debate-Fracking-scheduled-Canterbury/story-24184739-detail/story.html>

Best regards,
Ross

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David Smythe

Correspondence from
David Newall, Secretary of Court

Lee McClure

From: Paul Younger
Sent: 14 June 2016 20:44
To: John Marsh
Cc: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Subject: Re: Confidential

Groan ... Have you spoken with David Newall about this? I am under agreement to leave this all to him. We shouldn't let Smythe open up a new front in his endless attempts to pretend he knows Hydrogeology when he demonstrably doesn't. My instinct would be for you to immediately pass any such 'complaint' to David, as he knows the whole story.

I have Thursday set aside to deal with corrections to an important, long overdue paper, so was planning to work at home that day. So if we can't grab a time tomorrow we could do a phone call Thursday?

P

Sent from my iPhone

> On 14 Jun 2016, at 19:22, John Marsh <John.Marsh@glasgow.ac.uk> wrote:
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> Hi Paul,
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> I have received a complaint from a certain David Smythe, with whom I believe you have some history.
>
> Can we meet to discuss? I am quite busy tomorrow, but Thursday is more open.
>
> John
>
> Sent from my iPad

Lee McClure

From: Paul Younger
Sent: 14 June 2016 12:56
To: Muffy Calder; Peter Aitchison; David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Subject: RE: Fracking story getting traction

Were I his editor at the Herald I would take a dim view of this behaviour.

P

From: Muffy Calder
Sent: 14 June 2016 11:46
To: Peter Aitchison; David Newall (Secretary of Court); Paul Younger
Subject: RE: Fracking story getting traction

Thanks for the update. I read with interest.

Professor Muffy Calder OBE FEng FRSE
Vice-Principal and Head of College of Science and Engineering
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Tel: +44 (0)141 330 4462 (College) 4969 (Computing Science)

From: Peter Aitchison
Sent: 14 June 2016 10:21
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court); Paul Younger; Muffy Calder
Subject: FW: Fracking story getting traction

Paul, David, Muffy

Rob Edwards' piece never made it to the Herald (yet), so it has gone out on an online site called the ferret. This may be picked up by mainstream media

Within the piece there are links to emails, directly sent to Prof Smythe and also accessed via FOI

We will continue to monitor the story on social media

<https://theferret.scot/glasgow-university-silencing-fracking-critic/>

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From: Paul Younger
Sent: 02 June 2016 09:33
To: FOI Office; David Newall (Secretary of Court); Robert Westaway; Carolyn Timar
Cc: Lee McClure
Subject: RE: MEMO - FOI ref 2016/168 - F0677732 Request to Department for Information re Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

Dear Carolyn

If I interpret the request literally, and I see no reason to do otherwise, then the answers are simple in my case:

1. University Court *per se* has never written to myself or Rob Westaway concerning Professor Smythe; neither have either of us ever written to University Court about him.
2. I have had no correspondence whatsoever with the three external entities named, nor with individuals working for them.

Let me know if I need go to any more bother than this.

Best wishes

Paul Y

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Rankine Chair of Engineering and
Professor of Energy Engineering
School of Engineering
Rm 623c James Watt Building (5)

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From: FOI Office
Sent: 01 June 2016 16:56
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court); Robert Westaway; Paul Younger; Carolyn Timar
Cc: Lee McClure
Subject: MEMO - FOI ref 2016/168 - F0677732 Request to Department for Information re Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

Dear All,

The attached request has been received by the FOI team and we would appreciate your assistance in providing a response to 'foi@gla.ac.uk' by 9th June 2016.

If you are aware of any member of staff who may have relevant information relating to the request, (other than those listed in the attached memo), we would be grateful if you can please advise in order that we contact them as soon as possible.

Please inform us if there are any disclosure issues regarding the information you are providing e.g. commercially sensitive. Contact the FOI Office ASAP if you require further advice.

If you would like a copy of the final response letter, please let our office know.

Due to the volume of requests received, please ensure the above FOI Reference number (i.e. FOI 2016/168 - F0677732) is noted in your reply.

Regards,

Joseph

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HANDLING THIRD PARTY REQUESTS FOR STUDENT OR STAFF INFORMATION

IF YOU ARE ASKED: "How has my son done in his exams?", or "I'm sponsoring Mr X's study at your University, can you please provide me with up-to-date contact details?", or "I'm calling from Police Scotland, can you tell me if Professor Y works in the School of Biology, and if so what are her office hours?"


HOW DO YOU RESPOND?

Information regarding staff or students must not be released to third parties, unless there is a legitimate reason to do so, in keeping with University policy. Details on the limited occasions in which it is acceptable to release information are found here: <http://www.gla.ac.uk/services/dpfoioffice/a-ztopics/policerequestsforpersonaldata/> and <http://www.gla.ac.uk/services/dpfoioffice/a-ztopics/emergencyrequestsforpersonaldata/>.

If in any doubt, contact the Data Protection and Freedom of Information Office at dp@glasgow.ac.uk, or x3111.

Lee McClure

From: Paul Younger
Sent: 31 May 2016 09:59
To: Peter Alchison; David Newall (Secretary of Court); Martin Lee
Subject: RE: University of Glasgow Media Coverage - 29 May 2016

Hopefully not the latter – thanks for your vigilance 

P

From: Peter Alchison
Sent: 29 May 2016 08:26
To: Paul Younger; David Newall (Secretary of Court); Martin Lee
Subject: FW: University of Glasgow Media Coverage - 29 May 2016

Paul, David, Martin

Nothing in the cuttings – and I even bought a copy of the Sunday Herald to check about the Rob Edwards 'story'. He has a hyped up 'exclusive' about terror threats to nuclear plants in Scotland, but nothing further

Either means he has concluded that the allegations from prof Smythe are so meagre they do not warrant a story; his editor has seen that it doesn't warrant a story; or it is being held back.

All best wishes

Peter

Lee McClure

From: Paul Younger
Sent: 26 May 2016 08:03
To: Peter Aitchison
Cc: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Subject: FW: query from the Sunday Herald about Professor David Smythe
Attachments: se-2015-134 - Editor Comment posted

FYI

I have made no answer – he will have had my 'out of office' saying not available till Fri. Happy to leave this entirely to you.

Incidentally, Smythe's paper was recently REJECTED by that journal on the grounds that it is not up to scratch scientifically (four referees looked at it and three said 'reject'; only one – his good mate [REDACTED] who should have declined to review as he is thanked in the acknowledgements! – said 'possibly accept after major revisions'); so that paper HAS NOT been finally published, and has in fact been rejected as scientifically unsound. So his grandstanding is misplaced. See attached.

P

From: Rob Edwards [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 May 2016 16:53
To: Paul Younger
Subject: query from the Sunday Herald about Professor David Smythe

Dear Professor Younger,

Please could you help with a query for an article I am writing for the Sunday Herald this weekend? My deadline is the end of tomorrow (Thursday), and I would appreciate an acknowledgement of this email.

David Smythe, a geologist and emeritus professor at the University of Glasgow, says that his university email address and access to journals was cancelled in January, a few days after he published an article critical of fracking in the UK in Solid Earth Discussions. Since then Smythe has been trying to have his email and access restored, but so far without success. This follows a long-running and public dispute with you and the university about his use of the university's name when expressing his views about fracking.

Smythe accuses the university of trying to "silence" him because of his criticisms of fracking, and breaching the agreement made when he retired in 1998. "The fundamental issue here is freedom of expression," he says. "But some people at the university do not like my views on fracking, and they are seeking to silence me. I am surprised and saddened that my alma mater and former employer is now stooping to such base tactics."

Smythe adds: "Professor Paul Younger, who is prominently pro-fracking and other unconventional hydrocarbon extraction methods, joined the University Court in August 2014. Questions naturally arise here about whether he has used his influence at the highest level to try to silence me."

Smythe argues that scientists should be allowed to "slug it out by scientific debate in the public arena", but says that he can no longer do that because the institution providing him with essential access to the academic database has unilaterally decided to end that access. "The university seems to be adopting as their corporate view the opinions on fracking promoted by Professor Younger," he says.

What comments would you like to make? Comments by email before the end of Thursday would be much appreciated.

Thank you for your help.

Rob Edwards

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Rob Edwards
Environment Editor
Sunday Herald



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<http://twitter.com/robedwards53>

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Lee McClure

From: Paul Younger
Sent: 26 May 2016 07:46
To: Peter Aitchison 
Cc: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Subject: RE: query from the Sunday Herald about Professor David Smythe

Hi Peter

Just catching up with emails over breakfast here before I head into the field – should be catchable the next 30 mins or so. I see Rob E has emailed me. Happy to leave this to David, as we agreed that approach previously.

If Rob wants to know about the science, then in fact that recent paper of mine (<http://eprints.gla.ac.uk/115618/>) discusses Smythe's uninformed arguments about fracking (demonstrating they are nonsense, as it happens) – but you could point Rob to that paper and get him to read that for himself.

There's also a lengthier discussion of his work on Enlighten:

<http://eprints.gla.ac.uk/108343/>

Anyway, by all means try to catch me


P

From: Peter Aitchison
Sent: 26 May 2016 07:38
To: Paul Younger
Subject: FW: query from the Sunday Herald about Professor David Smythe

Paul

Do you have a couple of minutes to chat? Rob Edwards from Sunday Herald is doing a story this week on Prof Smythe. See below. I've discussed a response with David Newall, but as you are named in the Edwards email I wanted to talk to you – if only to advise that he should be (may already have) coming your way

Peter

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From: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Sent: 25 May 2016 21:14
To: Peter Aitchison
Cc: Martin Lee
Subject: FW: query from the Sunday Herald about Professor David Smythe

Dear Peter

I'll catch you early tomorrow and can fill you in. Below is the sort of statement I think we might share with the SH.

Professor Smythe's email access was terminated earlier this year, as part of a routine review of email accounts in the School of Geographical & Earth Sciences. Professor Smythe left the University in 1998 and, while he retains the title of emeritus professor, he has no continuing practical association with the work of the University.

From: Rob Edwards <[REDACTED]>
Date: 25 May 2016 16:53:18 BST
To: <liz.buie@glasgow.ac.uk>, <elizabeth.mcmeekin@glasgow.ac.uk>, <jane.chilton@glasgow.ac.uk>, <ali.howard@glasgow.ac.uk>
Cc: <media@gla.ac.uk>
Subject: query from the Sunday Herald about Professor David Smythe

Liz / Elizabeth / Jane / Ali,

I just left a voicemail. Could one of you, or a colleague, please help with a query for an article I am writing for the Sunday Herald this weekend? My deadline is the end of tomorrow (Thursday), and I would appreciate an acknowledgement of this email.

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What comments would the university like to make? Specifically, can the university confirm that it ended Smythe's access to an email address and journals, and explain why this was done, and under what specific powers? Was it at all related to his well-known views on fracking for shale gas? Did Professor Younger have any say in, or influence on, the decision? Why did the university take this action in January this year? What is the university's response to the accusation that it is trying to silence Smythe and stifle freedom of expression?

Comments from a named spokesperson by email before the end of Thursday would be much appreciated.

Thank you for your help.

Rob Edwards
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Rob Edwards
Environment Editor
Sunday Herald

Lee McClure

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 14 May 2016 11:54
To: Paul Younger
Subject: se-2015-134 - Editor Comment posted

Dear Paul L. Younger,

We are pleased to inform you that Federico Rossetti has posted a new Editor Comment in the interactive discussion of the following manuscript:

Journal: SE
Title: Hydraulic fracturing in thick shale basins: problems in identifying faults in the Bowland and Weald Basins, UK
Author(s): David K. Smythe
MS No.: se-2015-134
MS Type: Research article

Please access the discussion at: <http://www.solid-earth-discuss.net/se-2015-134/#discussion>

To log in, please use your Copernicus Office user ID [REDACTED]

In case any questions arise, please contact me.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

on behalf of the SE Editorial Board

Lee McClure

From: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Sent: 04 February 2016 17:34
To: Martin Lee
Cc: Mark Temple
Subject: RE: Agreed statement

Thanks Martin

IT Services has deactivated the email account, having received a request via HR from the School. The contact in IT Services is Mark Temple, to whom I'm copying this for information.

I expect Professor Smythe will challenge this, and will argue that, as an Emeritus Professor, he has a right to an email account.

But I am comfortable with the decision.

Best wishes

David

-----Original Message-----


From: Martin Lee
Sent: 04 February 2016 17:26
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Subject: RE: Agreed statement

Dear David,
I think that Maggie is a bit behind on developments with this matter, so please do not worry about the statement at the moment.

I have just got a message from the journal saying that Smythe's Glasgow e-mail address is still active. Could you please investigate - I think you had spoken to IT services last week about deactivating the e-mail.

Many thanks,
Martin.

Professor Martin R. Lee,
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Lee McClure

From: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Sent: 02 February 2016 10:06
To: Lesley Carr
Subject: RE: David Smythe

Lesley

Thanks for the message. Can you arrange for the following message to go to Professor Smythe.

Thank you

David

Dear Professor Smythe

It was drawn to my attention recently that you have a current email account with the University. I understand that it was created in 2011, though I am unclear why this happened.

When members of staff leave the University, our practice is that their University email account is terminated. I have therefore advised IT Services that the email account should be closed. If there is a reason why you believe you should continue to have an email account with the University, please let me know what it is.

Yours sincerely

David Newall
Secretary of Court

-----Original Message-----

From: Lesley Carr
Sent: 02 February 2016 09:03
To: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Cc: Lee McClure
Subject: RE: David Smythe

David/Lee,

David Smythe has contacted the Helpdesk requesting his e-mail account be fixed as he cannot get into it. I have asked the helpdesk to do nothing regarding this until I contact you. What do you want us to do about this?

regards
Lesley

-----Original Message-----

From: David Newall (Secretary of Court)
Sent: 29 January 2016 10:19
To: Lesley Carr <Lesley.Carr@glasgow.ac.uk>
Cc: Lee McClure <Lee.McClure@glasgow.ac.uk>
Subject: David Smythe

Lesley

Can you please make arrangements to have the email account for David Smythe terminated.

I did manage to speak with Shane Kelly, and we both agree that there is no good reason for it to stay open.

Thank you

David

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