



News Release

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PPS STATEMENT: NELSON STREET, BELFAST

The Public Prosecution Service for Northern Ireland (PPS) today confirmed that a decision has been taken not to prosecute any of the individuals in the 'Nelson Street' case.

A file was submitted to the PPS by the PSNI on 6 July 2011 following a police investigation into alleged criminal conduct in connection with land at Nelson Street, Belfast.

There were two separate aspects to the file submitted by the PSNI. The first related to alleged criminality surrounding the circumstances in which land at Nelson Street was transferred in 2006. Two individuals were reported to the PPS in this regard for various offences including obtaining property by deception.

The second aspect of the file related to allegations of misconduct in public office and of procuring misconduct in public office in relation to the use of the land. Four individuals were reported in connection with these allegations.

Following very careful consideration of all the available evidence and circumstances surrounding this case, it has been concluded that the test for prosecution is not met as insufficient evidence exists to provide a reasonable prospect of obtaining a conviction of any individual of any offence.