



Mr Frank Field DL MP
Work and Pensions Committee
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Dear Mr Field

As requested, I am writing to respond to your letter of 9th June 2016. Please see responses below.

1. How many times have you, or do you estimate you have, spoken to Sir Philip Green (a) in person and (b) by telephone since June 2013?

- a. I would estimate that I have spoken with Sir Philip in person 3 or 4 times per year at receptions for City PR firms or publications, a mutual friend's birthday party or a funeral.
- b. Following is a call log of phone calls from me to Sir Philip since June 2013. As Sir Philip has an unknown caller ID, he has typically sent a text requesting a phone call from me. I returned the message with a call when time permitted as follows:

Date	Time / Length	Content of Call
15/06/2013	17:00 4m, 22s	Sir Philip was unhappy with Paul Sutton and said he would not proceed with a sale of BHS to Paul Sutton due to Paul Sutton's reputation.
02/04/2014	10:58 7m, 44s	I don't recall the contents of this call.
09/07/2014	13:11 3m, 19s	I don't recall the contents of this call.
12/04/2015	20:13 6m, 46s	I don't recall the contents of this call.



01/06/2016	20:02 4m, 32s and c.30m	Sir Philip was inquiring if I had been contacted by the press regarding the recent news on BHS. I had not yet. He had to take another call so he phoned me back. The return call lasted around 30 minutes in which we discussed the tsunami of press coverage and I asked him why he had not told his side of the story. He lamented that it was impossible to present a counter argument because of the torrent of press. We discussed the early years of the BHS story in a cathartic way.
05/06/2016	07:59 12m, 38s	Sir Philip was in touch to express his regret that I had been drawn into the press along with others. We also discussed how victimised he was feeling by the whole process. He lamented that there had been no way to communicate what really happened and he felt he was being hung without a trial or words to that effect.
07/06/2016	08:45 7m, 57s	Sir Philip was in touch to wish me luck in front of the MP Select Committees and to apologise for me being roped into the process. We rehashed the lamentations of prior conversations.

2. When did these conversations occur?

- a. Please see above.

3. On which of those occasions did Sir Philip mention Paul Sutton?

- a. Sir Philip mentioned Mr Sutton in several conversations, however, I am not sure in which of the conversations listed above.

4. Did Sir Philip mention to you that he had arranged to meet Paul Sutton in May 2014?

- a. Sir Philip did not mention to me that he had arranged to meet Paul Sutton in May 2014.

5. Did Sir Philip note, or express concerns, at any point after June 2013 that Paul Sutton was involved in a bid to buy BHS?

- a. In any conversation where Paul Sutton's name came up following June 2013, Sir Philip specifically stated that Paul Sutton was not involved in a bid to buy BHS and that he [Sir Philip] had secured an alternative buyer. He did not say who the buyer would be.



6. ***How many conversations have you had with Sir Philip Green about the ongoing select committee inquiries into BHS?***
- a. As cited above, I had three short calls regarding the select committee inquiries.
7. ***For each of those conversations: (a) When did the conversations take place? (b) How long did it last? (c) Who called whom? (d) What was the nature of the discussion?***
- a. Please see response to question 1 above.
8. ***Have you had any other conversations with the owners or directors of Taveta Group companies, or their advisers, since June 2013?***
- a. I have not had contact with any owners or directors of Taveta Group except to say "hello" to Lady Tina Green at a birthday party in January 2015.

With Kind Regards,

Robin Saunders