

Transparency Task Force organises "Enough is Enough March for Justice" for victims of Financial Misconduct

London, April 16, 2024 – The Transparency Task Force (TTF) is spearheading a powerful demonstration in central London to highlight the plight of victims of financial misconduct.

The "Enough is Enough March for Justice"

(https://www.theenoughisenoughmarchforjustice.org)

is set to bring together key workers, pensioners, prominent individuals, MPs, and former Premiership footballers such as Andy Cole, Danny Murphy and Craig Short, all rallying for accountability and reform.

Scheduled for the afternoon of April 17, 2024, the march will commence at 2:15 pm from the Royal Courts of Justice, led by former Premiership footballers alongside coffin bearers symbolising the many lives lost and at risk because of financial misconduct. The route will culminate at the Houses of Parliament in Westminster, where a wreath will be laid to spotlight the injustice and numerous unnecessary deaths resulting from financial exploitation.

Andy Agathangelou, founder of the Transparency Task Force, emphasised the march as a platform to amplify the voices of victims who have fallen prey to financial misconduct, including fraud and scams. *"The march is a chance to give them a voice and protest the ineffectiveness of authorities, including regulators, in securing fair treatment and justice,"* said Agathangelou.

Sue Flood, Vice Chair of the organising committee representing victims of financial misconduct, underscored the importance of the march as an

opportunity for victims to demand accountability. "We refuse to be silenced any longer and are determined to see meaningful change," stated Flood.

Carly Barnes-Short, Vice Chair of the organising committee, highlighted the unique challenges faced by sports professionals targeted by financial misconduct. "Sports stars are lending their public platforms to shed light on this pervasive issue," Barnes-Short remarked, emphasising that financial misconduct can affect anyone."

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A key demand during the march will be for a Statutory Public Inquiry into Financial Misconduct in the UK, alongside fair tax treatment for victims. "This is a widespread and very serious issue causing great harm to hardworking families across the UK," said Agathangelou. "We want urgent action through a Statutory Public Inquiry to investigate failures by public bodies in relation to fraud and financial services misconduct."

The march aims to unite a diverse representation of victims and allies, including military veterans, pension savers, former police officers, tax officers, professional advisors, parliamentarians, and sports professionals, in their call for justice and reform.

Prior to the march, a press briefing is scheduled to start at 1pm.

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Press Briefing: Hausfeld, 1pm-2pm 12 Gough Square, London EC4A 3DW https://www.hausfeld.com/en-gb/where-we-are/london/

March Details: Start: Royal Court of Justice, 2:15pm Route Map : <u>https://www.theenoughisenoughmarchforjustice.org/where-when-and-the-format</u>

About Transparency Task Force& Organisers:

The Transparency Task Force is a leading advocacy group dedicated to promoting integrity, accountability, and transparency within the financial services industry.

Through collaborative efforts and impactful initiatives, the organisation strives to address systemic issues and drive positive change for consumers and stakeholders alike.

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Key People:

Andy Agathangelou - <u>https://transparencytaskforce.org/meet-the-team/</u>

Victim Representative (Pension Scam Victims) - Sue Flood - <u>https://transparencytaskforce.org/ambasador/sue-flood/</u>

Victim Representative (Sport) - Carly Barnes-Short - <u>https://www.psm-group.co.uk/carly-barnes</u>

Attendees for the March :

Victims will be attending from many different financial scandals m including firemen, postman, nurses, sports professionals and others including :

- Pension Scam Victims including numerous key workers
- Victims of Investment Fraud Facing Unfair Tax Charges
- Philips Trust Corporation
- Equitable Life Victims
- Woodford Scandal Victims
- Loan Charge Contractors battling HMRC charges following financial misconduct
- Banking Misconduct Victims

Confirmed Attendees for the March:

- Victims from the scandals above
- Parliamentarians including Lord Mann, Caroline Nokes MP (Conservative) and Alex Sobel MP (Labour) to discuss the need for cross-party political support and call for reform
- Policing Expert Anthony Stansfield former Police and Crime Commissioner and National Fraud Lead to discuss the need for fraud to be prioritised and poor investigation and prosecution rates in the UK.
- Adam Richardson Barrister to discuss institutional victim blaming.
- Former MP and Justice Campaigner Greg Mulholland to discuss HMRC's treatment of loan charge contractors missold schemes and fraud victims
- Lynn Parsons, talking about the Building Societies Scandal; how the FCA has let the vulnerable elderly people down
- Paul Weir, to talk about 20 years battling on behalf of Equitable Life victims; how the Treasury keeps blocking compensation for the victims
- Paul Carlier, talking about the complete failure of the 'hierarchy of oversight 'i.e. regulators and other statutory bodies
- Margaret Snowdon OBE, uber credible, to talk about HMRC's intransigence.
 She is a pensions specialist.
- Professor Nigel Harper senior banking official and HMRC officer who can talk about what he personally saw and how victims are being failed.
- Sue Flood, to talk about being a pension scam victim, top down regulatory failure

Football & Sports Personalities :

Boxer Audley Harrison will be joining the press conference by Zoom to offer a rallying cry to victims

Former Premier League Footballers: Andy Cole Craig Short Michael Thomas Sean Davies Tommy Johnson Paul Williams Martin O'Neil - Manager - Hopefully Brian Deane- hopefully Colin Hendry Danny Murphy

For interview requests or attendance at the press call, please contact Denise Palmer-Davies Borne. <u>denise@bornemedia.co.uk</u>