

Fiona McBride for Editor.

The Fingerprint Society has consistently (since the demise of David Charlton) taken a strong pro SCRO stance with Chairman Martin Leadbetter, Fellow Peter Swann and other SCRO luminaries like Robert McKenzie leading the way as SCRO's main apologists.

Despite causing untold harm to the Society these members have continued to deny what the rest of the world accepts – that the SCRO experts were wrong in two fingerprint identifications in the Marion Ross murder case.

Those of you who have been following the debate on **clpex.com** will be aware that their latest ploy is to seek to allow Fiona McBride - one of the original SCRO experts to get it wrong and an enquiry witness who was accused of 'forging' colleagues signatures on a fingerprint form in an effort to cover-up the mistakes - to assume editorship of the 'Fingerprint Whorld.'

<http://clpex.com/> - ('Message Board' – 'Calls for Inquiry to be scrapped')

Pursuing their own narrow self-interest agenda Martin Leadbetter et al risk holding the Society up to international ridicule, driving potential and existing members away and giving a platform to experts who have already been accused of criminality and who will be major witnesses at the anticipated Judicial Enquiry into their mistakes.

All the Society Committee members who we must assume have voted for this move are shown below. Is it too much to hope that good sense will prevail, that the reputation of the Society will not be further dragged through the mud and that one of the most respected fingerprint organisations in the world will not be used to further the cause of experts who at best have been labelled incompetent and at worst criminal.

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