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To: [Julie Amoroso](#)
Subject: Response from Paul Cookson for the November 7th meeting concerning James & Muriel Cookson
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Without Prejudice

Regarding: James & Muriel Cookson

Dear Election Audit Committee,

It was a complete shock to see that my 90 year parents James & Muriel Cookson received legal toned registered letters in regards to “over contributing” to my campaign.

It was the first time I ran for office and there are many many moving parts to running a successful campaign.

I should have spent more time on the donation part and the intricate details of it but my goal was to outwork my competitors - not outspend them.

I worked 14 hours days 7 days a week campaigning on the streets during the election.

Both my campaign manager and I did not realize that each of them donating \$2000.00 to my campaign was in violation of campaign financing rules in which I now realize \$1200.00 per person is the limit. I accept full responsibility for that oversight.

I'm truly sorry,

Paul Cookson
Ward 25 Councillor Candidate 2018 Municipal Election