

# Prosecutor to be disciplined over collapsed trial of eco-activists

CPS lawyer criticised for failure to establish extent of undercover officer Mark Kennedy's involvement in protest



📷 The inquiry found the CPS lawyer failed to establish the activities of undercover officer Mark Kennedy during the case against environmental activists. Photograph: Guardian

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A prosecutor is facing disciplinary action after an inquiry found he failed to establish the activities of an undercover officer during a collapsed case against environmental activists.

Retired high court judge Sir Christopher Rose outlined a catalogue of individual failings by lawyers and police during attempts to prosecute protesters accused of plotting to shut [Ratcliffe-on-Soar](#) power station.

Rose said Ian Cunningham of the Crown Prosecution Service should have done more to establish the extent of police officer Mark Kennedy's undercover involvement during the investigation.

Keir Starmer, the director of public prosecutions, said he took the findings "very seriously indeed" as he ordered disciplinary proceedings against Cunningham.



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