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After six days, an admission from Bartlett

David Bartlett has finally admitted what everyone else knew, that Acting Police Commissioner Hine directly warned him about the potential of criminal charges against Mr Richard McCreadie, but that the Premier ignored the warning.

After numerous questions from the media and several questions in the Legislative Council, Government Leader Doug Parkinson, speaking for the Premier, has finally conceded: "At no time has the Premier disputed Mr Hine's evidence to the Select Committee."

Finally, we get an admission that the Premier did in fact know about the potential charges before he announced the appointment, contrary to what he several times told the House of Assembly.

Finally, the Government has been dragged kicking and screaming to admit the facts.

David Bartlett will now have to go into Parliament next Tuesday and fully explain why he told Parliament that he did not have this information, when clearly we all now know he did.

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