

On 13th October 2011, Alison Bevans appeared again in Leicester Crown Court for a hearing under the Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA), which is designed to confiscate assets and cash obtained through criminal activity.

The court heard Bevans had netted £71,878.02 Criminal Benefit having fraudulently claimed £54,290.29 Council Tax Benefit & Income Support.

The judge instructed a confiscation order under the Proceeds of Crime Act, stating she must pay back her currently held assets of £34,629.09 in compensation to the Dept. Work & Pensions & Blaby District Council within six months, or face a prison sentence if she fails to do so. £5,081.94 Compensation Order is payable to Blaby District Council from the confiscation. If Mrs Bevans doesn't pay this by 13th April 2012, unless there's an application to extend the payment, she's liable to serve 15 months in default - and that doesn't expunge the debt. Should Mrs Bevans financial circumstances change, the prosecution have the right to re-visit the confiscation order and recover the outstanding criminal benefit.