

Lothian MSP nears crowdfunding target for defence fund

Andy Wightman MSP is defending a defamation action raised against him by Wildcat Haven Enterprises CIC.

The organisation claims that he defamed them in two blogs which he wrote. If he loses the £750,000 action then he could be made bankrupt and would as a result lose his Holyrood seat.

As at this afternoon 2,762 supporters have committed £103,715 to his defence fund. When I spoke to the MSP yesterday he was confident that he could make up the difference if the crowdfunder totalled anywhere near the target of £120,000. But there is still time to donate if you wish!



Andy Wightman MSP speaking at the Spokes Bike Breakfast at the City Chambers 11 June 2019 PHOTO ©2019 The Edinburgh Reporter
The allegations against Mr Wightman are not in the public domain as he has had to withdraw the two blogs. He cannot publish any of the details until they are entered into the court proceedings.

The hearing is laid down for 8 days at the Court of Session commencing 29 October 2019.

9 hours to go and we've just made the £100,000 mark. Immensely grateful for all your sharing & donations.
<https://t.co/bPxPf8Jrzw>

– Andy Wightman MSP (@andywightman) [June 12, 2019](#)