

WITNESS STATEMENT**Criminal Procedure Rules, r 16.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9**

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Statement of: PC Neal Hutchings 2754AW

Age if under 18: OVER 18

(if over 18 insert 'over 18')

Occupation: Police Officer

This statement (consisting of 2 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: (witness) *PC Hutchings 2754AW*

Date: 25/05/2020

This statement refers to a licensing visit carried out at JACK'S which is café which is allowed to sell alcohol, 152 WANDSWORTH BRIDGE ROAD SW6.

On Monday the 25nd of May 2020 at 18:03 hours I was on duty in full uniform, I was in company with my colleagues PC DAVIS 2296AW, we had been asked to attend the venue by the licensing officer PC Tom STEWART as the owner of the venue had breached his licence on more than three occasions.

When we got to the venue which was JACK'S café 152 WANDSWORTH BRIDGE ROAD SW6. We had turned on our body worn cameras and walked partly down the road to JACK's property, which we entered at approximately 1803 hours. JACKS itself appears to be a café when looking in from outside, as it has a glass protected counter the length of the serving area with food, but this then goes into a brick walled, paved back garden / yard. We could see that JACKS was not that busy as we entered, with six people standing to the right of the shop and one male person standing outside of the shop with his beer on the table, there was two other beers on the table which people had left their as well.

I then saw the owner in the shop a male who I know as VINCENZO inside his shop and asked him to come outside which he did, I then asked VINCENZO if he remembered me from the visit on the 22th of May 2020 which he replied he did and I then stated to VINCENZO that he could not have customers drinking outside of his shop and pointed at the beers on his table outside of his shop, VINCENZO agreed and stated that he could not stop his customers as he was in and out of his shop working, I went on to state that he could put a sign up in front of his shop stating to customers that they are not allowed to drink in front of his shop, plus that he could have the table removed as his customers would place their drinks there and loiter at the front of his shop at the venue, we again stated that because of the COVID 19 regulations and guidelines that his customers could not stay on the premises.

We then went to the back of the shop into VINCENZO's yard to check if any customers was in the yard drinking alcohol, no one was in VINCENZO yard, VINCENZO had followed us and stated that he was just trying to get his head around what he can and cannot do as he had been to other pubs in the area and they was serving alcohol and then showed us a video on his mobile phone of a pub on PARSONS GREEN serving alcohol and the customers was then taking the alcohol onto PARSONS GREEN, I then explained that this pub on PARSONS GREEN was selling there alcohol and the customers was going into PARSONS GREEN PARK drinking the alcohol which was ok as we could not stop people being in a park, Pc DAVIS 2296AW then carried on explaining to VINCENZO what he can and cannot do in serving alcohol to customers stating again that he must have some sort of sign stating to customers not to loiter in front of his shop with alcohol, after a few minutes we went back to the front of the shop.

We then stated again to VINCENZO that he could remove his table which was screwed down into the ground by bolts, VINCENZO stated that he would be getting the table removed tomorrow morning (the 26th of May), we then again stated to VINCENZO about getting a sign in his front glass shop window stating to his customers not to loiter in front of his shop after he had served them alcohol as he only had a small sign in his front shop window stating take away only!

We then left the shop at 18:16 hours as all customers had moved away from VINCENZO shop.

I returned to Empress state building and I docked my body worn footage of this incident which I exhibit as NH/3 (1) one body worn footage.

Signature: *Rc Hillis 2784 PW*

Signature witnessed by:

Witness contact details

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Name of witness: PC Neal Hutchings 2754AW
 Home Address: EMPRESS STATE BUILDING,
 EMPRESS STATE APPROACH, LILLIE ROAD SW6
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 Neal.K.Hutchings2@met.pnn.police.uk
 Home Telephone Number:

Postcode: SW61TR
 Mobile:
 Work Telephone Number:

Preferred means of contact (specify details for vulnerable/intimidated victims and witnesses only):

Gender: MALE Date and place of birth:
 Former name: Ethnicity Code (16 + 1): 1

DATES OF WITNESS NON-AVAILABILITY: N/A

Witness care

- a) Is the witness willing to attend court? Y If 'No', include reason(s) on form **MG6**.
- b) What can be done to ensure attendance? N/A
- c) Does the witness require a Special Measures Assessment as a vulnerable or intimidated witness? (youth under 18; witness with mental disorder, learning or physical disability; or witness in fear of giving evidence or witness is the complainant in a sexual offence case) N/A If 'Yes' submit **MG2** with file in anticipated not guilty, contested or indictable only cases.
- d) Does the witness have any particular needs? N/A If 'Yes' what are they? (Disability, healthcare, childcare, transport, disability, language difficulties, visually impaired, restricted mobility or other concerns?).

Witness Consent (for witness completion)

- a) The Victim Personal Statement scheme (victims only) has been explained to me Yes No
- b) I have been given the Victim Personal Statement leaflet Yes No
- c) I have been given the leaflet "Giving a witness statement to the police..." Yes No
- d) I consent to police having access to my medical record(s) in relation to this matter (obtained in accordance with local practice) Yes No N/A
- e) I consent to my medical record in relation to this matter being disclosed to the defence Yes No N/A
- f) I consent to the statement being disclosed for the purposes of civil, or other proceedings if applicable, e.g. child care proceedings, CICA Yes No N/A
- g) **Child witness cases only.** I have had the provision regarding reporting restrictions explained to me. Yes No N/A
- I would like CPS to apply for reporting restrictions on my behalf. Yes No N/A

'I understand that the information recorded above will be passed on to the Witness Service, which offers help and support to witnesses pre-trial and at court'.

Signature of witness: PRINT NAME: PC Neal Hutchings

Signature of parent/guardian/appropriate adult: PRINT NAME:

Address and telephone number (of parent etc.), if different from above:

Statement taken by: PC Neal Hutchingsn 2754AW Station: EMPRESS STATE BUILDING

Time and place statement taken: 20:00 hours

EMPRESS STATE BUILDING SW6 0TT 25/05/2020