

WITNESS STATEMENT

CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3)(a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1

Statement of **PC Cowley**..... URN:

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Age if under 18 **Over 18**..... (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: **Police Officer 203343**.....

This statement (consisting of: **1**..... pages 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 anything in it which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: Date: **15/10/2020**

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded (supply witness details on rear)

This statement refers to street drinking and the impact on the surrounding community and visitors to the area as observed and reported to the Police. I am PC Darren Cowley 2548NW. I have worked on the London Borough of Harrow for 2 years and have been working with the licensing team in the MPS for the last 30 months. I have worked as a Police constable for the last twenty years.

The aim of a PSPO is to reduce anti-social behaviour in areas identified as problematic, individuals identified as vulnerable, individuals that are repeat offenders and the order is enforceable for those who choose to not comply.

I have found the PSPO effective in maintaining a degree of control over persistent offenders across the locations covered by the PSPO on the borough. The PSPO unlike the CDZ covers alcohol misuse, drug misuse and factors in any negative behaviours that cause ASB. The PSPO affords the MPS and the Local authority an opportunity to identify any 'hot spots' and they can be referred to a Borough Joint Action Group to ensure the MPS and partners tackle the identified issues.

Over the last few months the amount of recorded drink related incidents have increased ranging from issues with premises to drunken individuals behaviour. This creates 'hot spots' which are identified but not limited to as shown,

(Northolt Road - o/s South Harrow Train Station) (Northolt Road J/w St Margaret Avenue) (463 Alexandra Avenue, Rayners Lane) (High Street, Wealdstone, near TJ's PH) (Roxborough Park, near Kingsley Road) (Near 413 Alexandra Avenue, Rayners Lane) (Columbia Avenue, Edgware) (7 -12 Kenton Court, Kenton Road) (Elmgrove Road near j/w Woodlands - Wickes Building) (Outside near to 345 Rayners Lane, Harrow)

(Whitchurch Lane j/w Buckingham Road near Overbrook Walk) (Parkway j/w Stag Lane) (Near Platinum car park on Lyon Road, Harrow) (North and South Parade, Mollison Way, Edgware) (Parkway j/w The Highlands, Edgware) (Gordon Road, Wealdstone) (Moorhouse Road j/w Charlton Road) (Holy Trinity Church, Headstone Drive, Wealdstone) (Mollison Way J/W Cotman Gardens) (Belmont circle near Parnell way car par) (Shaftesbury Circle near Maya PH)

The residents and local community are often left with disruption, litter, urine in the street and are exposed to the behaviours of drunkenness and substance misuse. An extension of the PSPO to cover the areas mentioned would make it easier for officers and local authority staff to enforce the PSPO. Looking at the MPS records for the areas shown above some of the calls are resolved by the telephone call but most require a Police attendance. The types of crimes and ASB recorded range from reports of criminal damage, theft shoplifting, assaults, drug possession, begging and robbery.

Signature: Signature witnessed by:

Witness contact details

Home address:

..... Postcode:

Home telephone number Work telephone number

Mobile/pager number Email address:

Preferred means of contact:

Male / ~~Female~~ (delete as applicable) Date and place of birth:

Former name: Ethnicity Code (16+1): Religion/belief:

Dates of witness non-availability

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Witness care

- a) Is the witness willing and likely to attend court? Yes / No. If 'No', include reason(s) on **MG6**.
- b) What can be done to ensure attendance?
- c) Does the witness require a Special Measures Assessment as a vulnerable or intimidated witness? Yes / No. If 'Yes' submit **MG2** with file.
- d) Does the witness have any specific care needs? Yes / No. If 'Yes' what are they? (Disability, healthcare, childcare, transport, , language difficulties, visually impaired, restricted mobility or other concerns?)

Witness Consent (for witness completion)

- a) The criminal justice process and 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 police — what happens next?' 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 proceedings e.g. child care proceedings, CICA Yes No
- g) The information recorded above will be disclosed to the Witness Service so they can offer help and support, unless you ask them not to. Tick this box to decline their services:

Signature of witness: Print name:

Signature of parent/guardian/appropriate adult: Print name:

Address and telephone number if different from above:

Statement taken by (print name): **548qk 203343 cowley**..... Station: **wembley**.....

Time and place statement taken: