

WITNESS STATEMENT

Agency Ref : **S182**
PF Ref :

Surname : WALKER

Other or previous surname : Nil

Forenames : Craig [REDACTED]

DoB: [REDACTED]/1981

Age: 34

Occupation : Police Officer

Other Occupation : Nil

Police Station : Kirkcaldy Police Station

Years Service : 10

Disclosable address :

Post Code:

This statement was taken :

Date and time : 4th of June 2015 @ 1155

By : DSI KEITH HARROWER

Place : Scottish Police College, Tulliallan, Kincardine

In the presence of : T INV LYNN UNGI

~~I have/the witness signed/refused to sign this and all other pages~~

~~It was/not read over to the witness and was/not recorded on Audio tape and/or Video tape~~

States :

I am Craig Walker. I am 34 years of age and am a Police Constable serving with Police Scotland. I have completed 10 years police service. I am stationed at Kirkcaldy Police Station, [REDACTED], Kirkcaldy attached to Team 4 Response, which is just general response policing for that area. My shoulder number is P523. I also have a collar number [REDACTED] which is a legacy Fife number on the Human Resources system.

I have been shown:

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by DSI Harrower of the Police Investigations & Review Commissioner. I have looked over that document and I am happy this is an accurate record of training courses I have completed both with the legacy Fife force and Police Scotland. I have signed the documentary backing sheet attached to this document.

As I said, my current duties are response policing. I attend all sorts of incidents. both live and historic, in the Kirkcaldy, Burntisland, Kinghorn and Auchertool. This is in response mainly to reports from the public, but can include other enquiries such as warrant enquiries or self-generated incidents, such as stop/search or road traffic incidents, not reported by the public.

To carry out my duties on the street I am required to do Officer Safety Training. I have to re-qualify in this yearly. This involves refresh training in First Aid, restraints, use of handcuffs and leg restraints, baton and general prisoner handling, including handling an "angry man". My last refresher training for OST - First Aid (SPELS) was on 5 November 2014. I last did my Health & Safety - First Aid at Work course on 23 to 25 May 2012. This is valid for 3 years I believe. I have been asked to provide a physical description of myself. I would state as follows:

Male, 34 years of age, 6'4" tall, weight 25 stone, large build, short grey hair with a touch of black, slight side burns, no facial hair.

I have not changed my appearance since the day of the incident.

On Sunday 3 May 2015 I was dayshift and was due to work from 0700 to 1600 hours at Kirkcaldy Police Station. I normally arrive a bit early for my work and I think I got in about 0645 hours that morning. I arrived in part uniform, wearing my work trousers and shirt on.

When I got into the office I left my hoody in the locker room and went to the vest store, where I put on my protective vest, then went to my airwave locker in one of the connecting corridors where I picked up my airwave radio, PAVA Spray, my handcuffs and my police notebook. This equipment is clipped onto my vest and I put my notebook in the outer pocket of my vest. I left my police baton in the locker because the clip on the baton holder is broken, so I can't clip it on. This is an extending baton, I'm not sure what it is called.

The clip of the baton holder had been broken for about 2 weeks before the incident, when it got caught on a seatbelt when I was getting out of the car at work. I hadn't yet ordered a new one. I think Alan Smith, one of the officers on my shift was aware of it. I don't think the Sergeant was.

I then went to the muster room on the first floor next to the Sergeant's office. There were nine of the team in that morning, including the gaffer. they were: Acting Sergeant Scott Maxwell, and Constables Alan Paton, Nicole Short, Ashley Tomlinson, Alan Smith, Kayleigh Good, Daniel Gibson and James McDonagh.

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The muster was taken by Sergeant Maxwell and he recapped over incidents from the night before, any tasks left for us to pick up and he allocated pairings and call signs. These were:

PR41A - me and PC Paton

PR41C - PCs Short and Tomlinson

I don't recall what the other pairings were, well the pairings were PCs Smith and Good and the other was PCs Gibson and McDonagh. I meant I couldn't remember their call signs.

Alan Paton and I were allocated the "big" general purpose van, a marked white Ford Transit Van, fitted with a blue light front and back and blue lights on the front grille. I do not know the registration number. This is the largest vehicle at the office.

PCs Short and Tomlinson were in the "Fish" van, a white marked Ford Transit Connect, which is more car sized. It has a single blue lights on the roof and two blue lights at the front grille.

PCs Smith and Good were allocated a new style Ford Transit Custom, which is white and fully marked with at least one blue light on the roof and lights on the grille.

PCs Gibson and McDonagh had a marked car but I do not recall what it was. The supervisory vehicle, which Sergeant Maxwell would use if he was going out, was a marked white 5 door Vauxhall Corsa with a blue light on the roof and grille lights.

Just before the end of the muster, about 0710 hours, there was a message come over the radio from the Control room instructing PR41C, PCs Short and Tomlinson, to attend an alarm call at a shop [REDACTED] at the Esplanade, Kirkcaldy. When they took the call PC Tomlinson said that he still had paperwork to deal with for a previous domestic incident, so I volunteered to attend the call for them with PC Paton.

At the end of the muster I picked up the keys for the "big" van from the Sergeant's room as I was driving this would be close to 0715 hours. PC Paton and myself went out into the back yard, got in the vehicle and headed to the Esplanade. I am sure the Control room was updated we were going to the alarm. I think PC Paton did this and asked for them to get cameras to cover the locus till we got there.

We left the office and I was driving, I turned left out of the yard into St Brycedale Avenue. I did not have my blue lights activated at that time. I then drove onto Abbotshall Road and at the roundabout junction I turned left onto Nicol Street. We got half way down that road when I heard a broadcast on the radio.

There was an instruction from the Control Room for PR41C (PCs Thomlinson and Short) to attend Hayfield Road as there was a male with a knife. Nothing further was broadcast at that stage. I was aware of this location. Right on the back of this message, I heard a radio broadcast from Sergeant Maxwell requesting all units to attend this call. He then asked the Control Room about the availability of an ARV,

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which is an Armed Response Vehicle with Firearms Officers, and also a dog vehicle. the Control responded by saying there was no ARV and they would check for a dog vehicle, but they thought the dog was through West. I think PC Paton acknowledged, we were on route (Call Sign 41A, a shortened version).

I immediately carried out a U-turn of the van in Nicol Street and started heading towards Hayfield Road. As I drove into Abbotshall Road a second call came over the radio from the Control Room. They said another motorist was reporting a male with a knife in Victoria Road. It could have been at this point he was described as being in possession of a sword, or slightly later, before we arrived. The location, Victoria Road, was confusing to both PC Paton and myself because it and Hayfield Road are about half a mile apart, so we thought it might be a hoax call, trying to get us to run all over the place. By this time we were on Bennoch Road and decided to head generally towards Victoria Road.

About 20 seconds later there was a third call came over the radio. We were at the junction of Bennoch Road and Victoria Road at that time. The report was a male with a knife in the area of the White Heather pub. I knew this location, which was the old name for Gallaghers pub located on Hendry Road, near to Hayfield Road. I started to head for Hayfield Road.

As we were passing the old Forth Park Hospital on Hendry Road there was a fourth radio message along the lines that the Control Room was getting numerous calls about the male being in possession of a knife. While still on Hendry Road I remember getting a fuller description of this male, either I heard it over the radio or PC Paton reiterated what he heard on the radio. The description was a black male, muscular build, white t-shirt, black jeans, in possession of a knife, appeared to be under the influence of a substance and was running out into the roadway attacking passing vehicles.

The blue lights were activated on the van from when I did the U-turn in Nicol Street until I arrived at Hayfield Road.

After the last update I drove the vehicle north along Hendry Road until I came to the roundabout to turn right (eastwards) into Hayfield Road.

During the journey to Hayfield Road I had a brief discussion with PC Paton on tactics and worst case scenario. I was very concerned about the nature of the incident and the number of calls made by the public and the apparent level of violence being shown, were reports that he was attacking passing vehicles and he might be prepared to attack us in the car when we arrived. It did cross my mind that he was doing this to get the police there, bearing in mind we are on a 'Severe Threat Level' for an attack on the police. PC Paton also mentioned the mental health hospital in Whiteman's Brae was also nearby and he could have been from there, or the main hospital, the Victoria Infirmary, but PC Paton and I did not discuss the hospitals.

Another thing that concerned me that this was early on a Sunday morning. This is not something I have heard of in my police career, an incident of this type at that time of the day. I did even mention to PC Paton if the worst case scenario came to be and he came at the vehicle with a knife or a sword I wasn't getting out and I might

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hit him with the vehicle. As I entered Hayfield Road I cut the roundabout on the wrong side of the roundabout and as I came off it I could see a man closely fitting the description on the north footpath, about 200 feet away. He was walking towards us and was approaching the bus stop layby to my left, still on the pavement.

The man had his hands at his side and appeared to be walking at normal walking pace. He didn't have anything in his hands at all and I immediately became concerned that he had a knife concealed on his person.

Coming off the roundabout the van was in second gear and I accelerated it towards the male. I think both of us said at the same time "There he is". I stopped the van just in front of the man, nose into the pavement, at rough angle of 45 degrees. This was to afford us some protection when we opened the doors and give a clear indication to him that we were coming to speak to him. Prior to getting out the van PC Paton took his CS Spray off his vest and held it in his right hand, opening the door with his left hand.

I placed the handbrake on and turned off the engine. I took my PAVA Spray off my vest and held it in my right hand before getting out. PC Paton got out of the passenger door first and stood on the road and moved towards the pavement. At this point the man (deceased) was still walking west on the pavement and was roughly in line with the front of the van, about 8 feet away.

As I was in the process of exiting the van I could hear PC Paton shout a command at him (deceased), "Stay where you are, don't move" or words to that effect. At this time PC Paton was standing in a spray drawn position, which means spray in right hand, pulled back towards the body, his left hand fully extended in a fend off position. He was in a sort of defensive stance with his left foot forward and right behind him. PC Paton was standing directly in his path. As I walked round I was looking over to gauge his reaction and there was no reaction at all. He just kept walking and was about 6 feet away from him directly in front of him. As I moved across the front of the van PC Paton took a couple of steps backwards and shouted again at him (deceased) "Stay where you are". The man (deceased) said nothing at all and kept walking and PC Paton was having to work to keep the gap. He then sprayed him with his CS Spray. I could see the spray go into a large cloud in front of his face. I'm not sure if any of the spray hit his face. The wind was against PC Paton and it just dispersed widely.

It was clear to me that PC Paton got some of the spray in his face and he immediately tried to duck away and crouch down towards the van. He pulled both his hands up towards his face.

From my experience I reckoned he would be in a bit of pain from CS and would be unable to see properly or defend himself properly, he would be pretty much "out the game". No other officers had arrived at that stage as far as I was aware.

As I got past the front of the van he turned towards me after I shouted at him "Stay there" or words to that effect. He faced me and I had my PAVA in the spray drawn position I described in my right hand. I also had my left arm extended pointing at him. I think I was standing in a defensive position. I again shouted "Drop your weapon" or

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something like that but there was no response from him. I still thought he had a weapon concealed on him and he wasn't giving verbal or non-verbal communication at all.

I immediately discharged my PAVA Spray at him. I didn't issue warning re the discharge but it would be obvious to him as I had it up in front of him in plain sight and it has a bright red lid on it. The canister sprayed directly into his face from a distance of about 8 feet. I think the liquid got him on the face, nose and eyes but seemed to have no effect at all. He smiled at me, brought his left hand up to his face and he wiped his face with the front palm, top to bottom, and flicked it out to the side. I was very surprised with this reaction as I was led to believe PAVA affects everybody, but not him. As he flicked it away I instantly felt a reaction myself. Two or three of the PAVA droplets struck my eyes and it felt like burning needles in my eyes, it was horrific. That was the first time I had ever used it full stop. The pain was unbelievable.

I immediately dropped the PAVA canister, which is not attached to a lanyard due to the design of my holder, and brought my hands to my face. At the same time I started to move back behind the van to create a distance from him and seek shelter from the van.

I was still able to see a bit, but was opening and closing my eyes to try and clear the PAVA away. PC Paton had managed to make his way round to the back of the van to where I was near the driver's door. But he was still out of it because I think he had a full face of CS.

The next thing I saw when I looked up was the man (deceased) chasing PC Short. This was the first time I was aware that any other police officers had arrived at the locus. I was looking down to the rear of the van in the general direction of the roundabout. I think just prior to this I had radioed Control "Spray ineffective". To my knowledge, that was the first radio to Control at the scene, although PC Paton may have activated his emergency button on his radio at an earlier stage.

Both PC Short and the man (deceased) were in view when I first saw them. She was running away from him and he was chasing after her. He was about 4 feet away, very close. I turned away briefly to my right and said to PC Paton, who was still incapacitated with CS, and said "Give me your baton". He didn't react initially. I looked back to PC Short again and she was falling to the ground with him (deceased) right behind her. Both her feet was off the ground and he had his hands raised. I believed she had been pushed to the upper part of her body.

I turned back to PC Paton as she was in mid-fall and shouted again "Alan, give me your fuckin baton". He then took his baton from his vest, extended it in my direction and I took it off him. I turned back towards PC Short and started running towards the male and PC Short. By this time PC Short was lying face down in the prone position on the road, close to the south pavement. The man (deceased) was on the opposite side of PC Short to me, standing at right angles to her and facing up towards me. I had a clear view of him and saw him with his right leg in a high raised position. He had his arms raised up at right angles to his body and brought his right foot down in a full force stamp down onto her lower back, the kidney area. My focus was mainly

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on him as I ran towards them with PC Paton's baton in my right hand. At this point, and prior to getting to him, I saw PC Tomlinson come towards him and engage with him in some way. There was a physical coming together and the man took a step back towards the pavement. I'm not sure what he did but it was enough to get him away from PC Short. I don't know if PC Tomlinson had CS or a baton out at that time. As I was getting close to him (deceased) I raised the baton high into the air in my right hand. My intention was due to the level of violence was to take a head strike. But he raised both his arms after he had turned towards me to protect his head.

As I was moving in towards him I had a quick change of mind as I thought the head strike would only connect with his forearms. I already had the impression that you could hit him with the baton and it would have little effect. So I just brought my left arm across my body and shoulder charged him with my left shoulder, with a fair bit of force. He (deceased) fell back towards the pavement. We both fell together into the pavement. As this happened I dropped the baton onto the ground somewhere.

When I got onto the pavement I was on my knees, while he was on his back. I made attempt to get over of the top of his shoulders and hands to get him under control. As I did this he raised his shoulders and tried to punch me with his right hand. He tried this two or three times, I'm unsure whether these connected properly but I was still in a bit of pain in my eyes. He may have connected with my stab vest which affords you a lot of protection and I may not have been aware of punches connecting.

As I leant over I then struck him a couple of times with a clenched fist in my right hand somewhere around his left cheekbone area. He continued to struggle and lashed out with his arms. He also tried to punch me again. I still couldn't manage to get proper control of him at that time. I think PC Short was still on the ground at this time, or certainly I wasn't aware of her getting up.

Eventually I got him (deceased) to the position where I had hold of his right wrist, which forced his arm across his body. I put pressure from my chest into his right shoulder, pushing him onto his left side. My body was in a crouched position over him with my knees on the pavement against his back so he couldn't turn back towards me to lash out.

At this point PC Tomlinson came in from the right hand side and PC Paton came into my view from my left hand side near his (deceased) head. PC Paton had a baton in his hand and he knelt down and passed the baton under his left armpit and over the top of his forearm and held it down with both his hands, restricting him from any movement of his left arm.

The struggle carried on on the ground. I was unsure what PC Tomlinson was doing at this stage but I saw PC Smith when he approached directly across from me near the man's head. He had his CS Spray canister out in his left hand and had it pointed towards the man's (deceased) face, probably about 2 feet away. PC Smith said to him "If you don't stop resisting you will be sprayed". Given what had happened earlier I said to PC Smith "That'll no work on him, you'll just contaminate us" and pushed his hand away.

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I then reached onto my vest for my handcuffs and managed to get a cuff on his right wrist. However, just as I got it on he pulled away his hand and managed to get his hand free with the cuff still attached. He swung his arm up in the air but I managed to get a hold of the cuff again and pulled it down towards his left arm which was still pinned to the ground. I quite quickly got the other cuff onto his left hand which meant he was cuffed to the front. I really wanted to cuff him to the rear but that was the best that could be done at the time. At this time PC Paton still had the baton in place on his left arm. PC Tomlinson was to my right, although I wasn't aware of what he was doing. However once the cuffs were on and we had control of him I looked to the right and saw that leg restraints had been put on his legs. This was two velcro strips, one around his ankles and one below his knees. At this point I raised myself from the man (deceased) with my body up straight with my knees still on the ground. I think PC Smith took control of the handcuffs. PC Tomlinson was near to the man's (deceased) waist but I don't know if he actually had a hold of him.

The man seemed to stop resisting us at that point, although PC Smith had control of the handcuffs, PC Paton still had the baton lodged through his arm and PC Tomlinson was restraining him to some degree. I say that because he was there, as I said I don't recall exactly what he was doing.

I then became aware of DS Samantha Davidson standing on the road, about 10 feet away from us. She shouted over with a sort of general statement, "Do we have the knife". I said back "No yet". I asked PC Tomlinson to check his (deceased) pockets for a knife. To let this happen, me and PC Paton rolled him over from his left side onto his back. The baton was pulled out from his arm to facilitate this. He was fairly compliant at this time. He had never said a word at this time or before this. I told DS Davidson that the man had come from over "that direction", pointing over to the bus stop. PC McDonagh who was standing in the road at this time, stated "There's a big knife in the grass over there", pointing to the grass area on the other side of the road from where we were. This was the first point I was aware of him being there. I later learned from him that PC McDonagh that he had put on the leg restraints.

While I had the man in the form of ground, pinned on the pavement, when pressure was being applied to his left shoulder, I would say I held him in that position for a maximum of 30 seconds, until he broke free, after the handcuffs had been placed on him. There was no similar restraint holds on the man (deceased) after that part.

Just after I had spoken to DS Davidson I looked down at the man (deceased) and I thought he seemed unresponsive. His eyes were closed and I noticed he had phlegm coming from his nose. At this point he was lying on his back, he was handcuffed to the front, palm to palm and the leg restraints were still on. I thought to myself "Is he alright" and just at that PC Paton said to PC Smith "Gonna check him". PC Smith is an OST Instructor and First Aid Trainer, that's why he would have asked him.

PC Smith knelt down beside the man (deceased) at his left hand side. He leaned down with his ear into his face, looking down onto his chest. PC Smith said "He's still breathing". PC Paton then, still kneeling beside the man's face, slapped him a couple of times on the face to see if there was any reaction. He (deceased) didn't move. PC

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Smith then got on his radio and requested an ambulance for an unconscious/unresponsive male. I didn't hear the response because I didn't have my radio, it had fallen off earlier in the incident.

PC Smith then checked the man (deceased again) to check for breathing and he said "He's no breathing". I said to PC Smith "Will I start chest compressions" and he replied "Yes". I started chest compressions. I placed interlocked hands on the centre of the chest and started compressions in line with the training I've had. After two or three compressions I heard the sound of a rib breaking in the chest area. In my training I was told if you were doing it right you might break a rib, don't worry and don't stop.

PC Smith went back on the radio and updated the control room that the male was in cardiac arrest. I have no idea of the time at this point.

I continued chest compressions for as long as I could until I was tired. PC Smith brought out a one way valve face shield which he carries with him and tried to get the valve into his mouth but couldn't get it past his teeth. PC Paton tried to help him get the valve in but they couldn't get it in properly. He got it in partially and PC Smith tried a few breaths but said it was ineffective and it would be chest compressions only.

PC Paton took over chest compressions from me, I don't know after how long but it felt like forever. We continued with chest compressions until the arrival of the ambulance. During that time I think I swapped over with PC Paton again doing chest compressions.

When the ambulance technicians came over PC Paton was doing the chest compressions. One of the technicians had a breathing bag and he put it onto his face. The other technician went and got a stretcher from the back of the ambulance and brought it over next to the man (deceased). At the request of the ambulance technician, I assisted to lift him onto the stretcher. Hands came in from everywhere to lift him. They then wheeled him into the back of the ambulance.

At that point I heard someone say "Smithy, they need you to drive the ambulance" and he went round to the driver's door of the ambulance and he drove it away. I didn't see any police officers get in the ambulance.

At this time I was aware that a few other officers were in the area. Sergeant Maxwell, who was not directly involved in restraint of the man, was directing people to secure the locus. DC Derek Connell was also about and I think he recovered the knife with PC McDonough. I also saw DI Colin Robson. I spoke briefly to him for a couple of seconds and asked if we were alright.

I believe PC Good and PC Gibson were there at some point but I can't remember seeing them doing anything. This has been made known to me after the incident when we were trying to account for everyone.

Prior to PC Smith leaving the locus with the ambulance he told me that he had recovered my PAVA canister and radio. I later got these at Kirkcaldy Station.

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We were told by DS Davidson to return to Kirkcaldy Police Station and meet in the office. PC Paton and I returned to the station in the "big van". I drove the van straight back to the back yard at the station. I parked near the petrol pump and PC Paton and I walked towards the back entrance door. As we were walking in I saw PC Austin Barratt in the CIU room to the left side of the door on the ground floor. He was just in the process of taking his coat off as he starts at 0800 hours. I think at that point it was about 0740 hours.

At this time PC Paton told me he was convinced the man was dead. I wasn't sure, but it didn't look good. I thought in the circumstances it would be worth speaking to PC Barratt who is a local Police Federation representative. I thought there was a need for Federation representation as it looked like it may be a death in custody.

PC Paton went into his office with me but I did most of the talking. I told him we need a Federation rep in the office and he asked why. I told him what had happened and he said "We're going to get accused of killing a boy!" He was unaware of the incident. He said he was going to phone Amanda Given, the Federation full time representative for the East, I think.

I didn't tell him much about the incident. I did say PC Short was in hospital and a guy had been running about with a knife. I also told him that the man (deceased) was away in an ambulance and didn't look good.

PC Paton and I originally went into the writing room, directly upstairs from the CIU office. Sergeant Maxwell and PC Tomlinson were already in that room. We were only in there for about 5 minutes. I can't remember how this came out but PC Tomlinson got quite emotional and started crying, he said something like "I've struck him to the head with a baton". This was the first I heard of this, I didn't see that. Sergeant Maxwell gave him some support and told him he was justified in doing what he did. I told PC Tomlinson "Don't worry, I was gonna hit him with a van!"

I think I was aware of other people arriving in the office and I suggested we all move down to the canteen where it would be a bit quieter. They agreed and we walked down. On route myself and PC Tomlinson left our vests and what was attached outside the changing room door near the locker room.

We arrived in the canteen about 0810 hours. I'm sure of that because there's a big clock in it.

Over the next 45 minutes most of the team, with the exception of PC Short, met in the canteen. We basically stayed there until about 1710 hours. I think PC Short got back from the hospital about midday.

Sometime about 0930 hours the CID officers, DI Robson, DS Davidson and DC Connell visited us at the canteen. DI Robson done all the talking. He told us not to worry and as far as he was concerned we had done nothing wrong. He confirmed there would be an investigation into what happened. I don't think he told us not to discuss the incident. During the time we were in the canteen we did discuss the incident. We questioned how PAVA and CS Spray did not work, we wondered what

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he was on, I mean drugs. We also agreed it was ridiculous that an ARV was not available or a dog van. PC Paton said he thought he was going to die that day because when he was incapacitated he thought a knife was coming. When PC Short returned to the station she thanked me and PC Paton for saving her life because she also thought she was going to die.

At some point before PC Short returned somebody told us that the man had died. The first I knew the man as Sheku Bayoh was after reading it in the news online. I wasn't told by any senior police officer.

We also received a visit from Amanda Given at the canteen. In fact she was actually present when DI Robson spoke to us. Amanda stayed with us for the rest of the day until we went home. She was certainly there when I left.

Just about midday we also got a visit from Chief Inspector Conrad Trickett. He explained he was there to do an oversight role for after the incident and provide support. He pretty much stayed with us for the rest of the day but was back and forward a lot in the station. He explained about the PIRC involvement and later told me that our clothing and equipment would probably be seized. This actually happened later in the day, about 1530 hours. I was taken to another room in the station, the old divisional office room on the first floor. Two CID officers, from outwith Fife, took possession of my boots, trousers, stab vest, t-shirt, handcuffs, PAVA Spray, which had been returned to me by PC Smith. I told them that my baton was not out the office but I was told to recover that from my locker and handed that over. I signed relevant labels.

I returned to the canteen and about half an hour later I went home. While I was in the canteen with my team the advice from Amanda Given was to say nothing to anyone at that time. That was my intention anyway until we found out more about what kind of enquiry was going to take place and what the man had died of. I also made it known that I would not be completing my notebook either and I suggested that others don't do theirs. Some of the team, I'm not sure who, spoke about doing their notebooks but I wasn't doing that. No other officers outwith the team gave any instructions on the notebooks.

I have been asked to describe the procedures when CS and PAVA Spray are discharged.

My understanding is that the CS or PAVA canister is double bagged and is destroyed by the firearms section. This was certainly the case in Fife before Police Scotland. I have not discharged a spray since I have been in Police Scotland. I would not keep the canister as a production. I am aware that if CS, PAVA or a baton is used, then a "Use of Force" form has to be submitted via SCOPE. Normally if I had used these I would be responsible for submitting the form. For this incident I am aware that Inspector Alan Seith the station Inspector completed this form.

I am not sure of the current SOP in relation to CS or PAVA discharge as regards the form. However, if I was required to do a form then I would find out which form I had to use. I have not been asked to provide anything since the incident as regards a form. I have only been asked once to provide a statement in relation to this incident.

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This is a true and accurate record.

Signed : C WALKER (Witness)

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CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL - NOT TO BE DISCLOSED

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