



The Sheku Bayoh Public Inquiry

Witness Statement

Naomi Rhodes

**Taken by [REDACTED] by MS Teams
on Wednesday 6 April 2022**

Witness details

1. My full name is Naomi Rhodes. I was born in 1984. My contact details are known to the Inquiry.

3 May 2015

2. At the time of the incident, I lived at an address in Arran Crescent. I had lived there for around four years. I lived there with [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
3. Sheku Bayoh lived a few doors down on the same side of the street as my home.
4. I did not know Sheku as a friend, but would speak to him in passing as a neighbour. What I knew of Sheku made me think he was a nice, good natured boy.

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5. On the night of 3 May 2015 I was asleep in the house. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] My bedroom was positioned at the front of the house, looking onto the street.
6. I was woken up by shouting outside of my bedroom window around 6am on Sunday 3 May 2015. When I heard this, I got up to look out of the bedroom window. I cannot recall any words that were shouted. I do not know who was shouting.
7. I looked out and saw Sheku on the ground, fighting with a man. They were on the ground, on the pavement outside of the driveway of my house.
8. I cannot remember any features of the man Sheku was fighting with.
9. Sheku was on top of the man, just for a few minutes. I think they were punching each other.
10. After a few minutes, both men got up. The other man ran away to the left of my house, away from Sheku.
11. Sheku then walked away into his house, like that was it.
12. This entire encounter took about two minutes. After this, I returned to my bed and fell asleep.

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