

WITNESS STATEMENT

Agency Ref : **S158A**
PF Ref :

Surname : HUME Other or previous surname :

Forenames : James [REDACTED] DoB : [REDACTED] 1976 Age : 39

Occupation : Harm Reduction Worker (Substance Misuse) Other Occupation :

Police Station : Years Service :

Disclosable address :

Post Code:

This statement was taken :

Date and time : 25th of June 2015 16.20

By : INV ROSS STEWART
Place : Home Address

In the presence of : DSI BRIAN DODD

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 have previously given a statement to the Police Investigations and Review Commissioner with regards to my knowledge of and friendship with Sheku Bayoh.

I have been asked about my knowledge of the drug Alpha PVP. As I know it, Alpha PVP is a psycho active substance. I have come in contact with it through my work as a Substance Misuse Worker. I have seen it in it's physical form, an off white crystal substance, it's basically a legal high. Its branded in shops and online GOGAINE and things like 'white' and 'snow'.

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As far as I am aware, the local drug takers have little to no knowledge of Alpha PVP. I know that Alpha PVP has and is getting mixed with other controlled drugs, MDMA, coke to bulk it up to make bigger profit margins.

Therefore dealers are making profit and abusers don't realise what they're taking and how serious the affects can be.

As I previously mentioned to PIRC, I was close to Sheku and he did talk to me about the drugs he was taking but he never mentioned Alpha PVP to me or any associated brand names. He would definitely have told me if he knew he was taking this.

The week before Sheku's death I was out with him in Kirkcaldy [REDACTED]. Sheku had already prepared a few 'bombs' basically a fag paper with a few wee crystals in it. I reckon there was about 1/4 of a gramme maximum. [REDACTED] The reason for wrapping it in paper or 'bomb' form is to be discreet so that nobody sees you.

[REDACTED] That was in a pub about 11pm. The two of us then moved onto a nightclub in Kirkcaldy.

I recall Sheku saying that one of our other mates who we met in the nightclub was annoying him because he wasn't dancing. This was a bit unusual, out of character for Sheku. Soon after that Sheku said he was going home which was also a bit out of character.

Sheku definitely had some of these 'bombs' or MDMA left but I have no idea how many.

[REDACTED] I am pretty sure that Sheku didn't know he was taking legal highs that night [REDACTED], he thought it was MDMA.

Signed : (Witness)

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Surname : HUME Forenames: James [REDACTED]
Alias/known as :

Place of birth : Kirkcaldy Age : over 18

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Post code : [REDACTED]

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Dates when unavailable in next 12 months :

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