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FORENSIC STRATEGY DOCUMENT

Deceased

Sheku Ahmed Tejan Bayoh
Born 30/09/1983

Summary of Events

About 0715hours on Sunday 3rd May 2015 Police Scotland received several reports that a male (now deceased) was in the area of Hendry Road, Kirkcaldy walking in the direction of Hayfield Road in possession of a large knife.

Statements have been noted from several witnesses who observed the deceased kicking out and chasing cars.

Police Officers were despatched to the area described and located the deceased in the area of Hayfield Road.

The deceased engaged with the officers and a physical confrontation ensued. This resulted in the deceased being restrained to the ground, handcuffed and leg restraints were applied.

During the restraint to the ground the deceased became unresponsive. The officers assessed vital signs and CPR commenced; no external pulse could be detected.

Scottish ambulance personnel attended and the deceased was conveyed to the Accident and Emergency Department, Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy.

On arrival at hospital, staff continued CPR and medical intervention to no avail. This comprised of intubation and intravenous access being established.

About 0904 hours, same date the A&E registrar pronounced life extinct.

The deceased was moved by nursing staff from bay 1 Resuscitation ward, A&E Department to a private side room adjacent to the ward.

During the initial stages of the investigation it was established that during the course of the previous evening and the early hours of Sunday 3rd May 2015, the deceased had been in the company of his friend Zahid Saeed and they had visited other friends at **Dick/MacLeod home address**.

It was also suggested that the deceased and Mr Saeed had travelled within Saeed's white Seat Toledo, registered number **[REDACTED]** and they had also visited the deceased's home address at **Colette Beis address at Arran Crescent**.

From the initial statement of Zahid Saeed it was established that following an altercation with the deceased he had returned to **Saeed home address**.

Loci

Following the incident and initial investigation the following loci were established.

Locus 1 – Deceased within Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy

Locus 2 – Hayfield Road at its junction with Hendry Road, Kirkcaldy, scene of engagement between police and deceased.

Locus 3 – Collette Bell's address at Arran Crescent

Locus 4 – Dick/MacLeod home address

Locus 5 – Saeed home address, including the white Seat Toledo motor car registered number parked outside the address.

All of the loci, other than locus 1 where Detective officers were present were reviewed by CSM's and confirmed the relevant cordons and security was in place to protect the integrity of the scenes.

Priorities

In line with the Det Supt Campbell, DCI Houston established that the Crime Scene examination and recording in the initial phase should be as follows:-

Locus 1 – Deceased – CSM DC Peter Grady

- To forensically recover the body of the deceased from the hospital.
- To recover and search any clothing the deceased had worn at the time of his admission to hospital.
- To identify and maximize all forensic opportunities at the crime scene.
- Prioritise all submissions to Forensic Laboratory and SEB.
- To work in conjunction and direction of the appointed PIRC investigating officer allocated to the scene.

Locus 2 – Hayfield Road at Hendry Road, Kirkcaldy – CSM DC Brian O'Neill

It was acknowledged that prior to the deployment of a CSM, items including police batons and initial attending officers had removed a knife from this scene. These items have been subsequently seized by the enquiry team and lodged as productions

- To examine and forensically recover any items within the scene
- To examine any vehicles within the scene for damage

- To identify and maximize all forensic opportunities at the crime scene
- To record the position of all items, vehicles and street furniture within the scene utilising the services of the Collision Investigation Unit of Police Scotland.
- To conduct a POLSA led search of the roadway, adjacent gardens and common spaces
- To work in conjunction and direction of the appointed PIRC investigating officer allocated to the scene.

Locus 3 – Collette Bell's address at Arran Crescent

In this initial phase this locus will remain under protection with a scene entry log in place.

Locus 4 – Dick/MacLeod home address

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Locus 5 – Saeed home address and Seat Toledo motor car, registered number

From witness statements it was established that Zahid Saeed had during the course of the evening of Saturday 2nd and the early hours of Sunday 3rd May 2015, conveyed the deceased within his Seat Toledo motorcar registered number [REDACTED]. It was also provided by Zahid Saeed that following an altercation with the deceased he had driven himself home and had placed his clothes within a laundry basket in the house.

- To examine and forensically recover the clothing and any other items within the scene as described by Zahid Saeed
- To record and forensically recover the Seat Toledo motorcar registered number [REDACTED].
- To identify and maximize all forensic opportunities at the crime scene

Recovery of items from Police Officers

In order to recover the outer clothing, footwear and utility belts, including the personal protection equipment worn by the officers at the scene and who engaged with the deceased the following process will be followed.

Two dedicated production officers will operate within a sterile room within the MIT suite, Kirkcaldy Police Station. The production officers will wear protective suits and gloves, which will be changed after the seizure of items from each officer. The table in the room will be covered with brown paper and after

each officer is processed this paper, suits and gloves will be changed with all items being retained.

In order to ensure respect and integrity, officers will only be processed by production officers of the same gender.

The following officers will be subject to this process:-

PC 694-P Alan Paton
PC 523-P Craig Walker
PC 724-P Daniel Gibson
PC 691-P Ashley Tomlinson
PC 203-P Hayleigh Good
PC 435-P James McDonough
PC 1014-P Nicole Short
PC 1035-P Alan Smith
APS 349-P Scott Maxwell

All of whom were involved in the engagement with the deceased.

DS 918-P Samantha Davidson
DC 405-P Derek Connell

Both CID officers arrived at locus 2 in the aftermath of the incident and undertook CPR on the now deceased.

In line with the post incident procedure all officers will be spoken to by a Forensic Physician, with any injuries noted and photographed if agreed by the officer.

In order to ensure the correct procedure in relation to the discharge of both PAVA and CS spray, the production officer, with forensic considerations, will weigh each canister recording the time, date and weight of each both on the rear of the production label and on a document.

**Forensic Strategy Meeting
1645 hours on Sunday 3rd May 2015
Kirkcaldy Police Station.**

Present: Detective Chief Superintendent Lesley Boal
Detective Superintendent Patrick Campbell
Detective Chief Inspector Stuart Houston
Detective Chief Inspector Keith Hardie
Senior Examiner Gordon Young
CSM – DC Brian O’Neill
CSM – DC Peter Grady
PIRC Senior Investigator Keith Harrower
PIRC investigation team

Overview:

Detective Superintendent Campbell provided an overview and summary of the investigation to date.

Detective Chief Inspector Houston provided an overview of what had been conducted in relation to loci 2, 3, 4 and 5 and also that officers were remaining with the deceased at Victoria Infirmary until a CSM was deployed to this scene.

It was agreed with the PIRC investigation Team that the priority scenes would be locus 1 and 2. It was also agreed that in relation to locus 5 once the clothing of Zahid and the vehicle had been secured this would be returned to the Saeed family [REDACTED]

With agreement of PIRC investigation team the following strategy was established for the recovery of the deceased.

- Taping the body of the deceased of his head, face, neck, exposed arms as they would have been when he was wearing a t-shirt
- Swabs to be taken from mouth and nose to recover any potential CS spray or PAVA * see note
- Removal of the clothing of the deceased
- Body of the deceased to be bagged (including, head, hands and feet)
- Body to be placed into a plastic body bag
- Body to be removed from locus to Edinburgh City Mortuary

Any item that the body is recovered within is to be secured and forensically recovered.

It was agreed that PIRC investigator John Ferguson would be present during the recovery of the deceased at locus 1.

Due to the religion of the deceased being established as Muslim this was to be considered in the recovery phase and highlighted to COPFS.

*note – At 1940 hours a discussion was held due to the blood present within the deceased's nose and it was agreed that swabs would only provide recovery of blood. However it was agreed with PIRC that the intubation tube would be seized.

Locus 2 – the priorities as set for this location were agreed and in addition a drain maintenance vehicle would be utilised to empty drains within the cordoned area.

It was also agreed that a dedicated PIRC investigator Garry Sinclair would be present and work in conjunction with the agreed CSM.