

from the main street. I can't remember what was said but it was something like 'fight' fight'. We all ran down to see what was happening." I would say Tracey is a liar – this is not true. I had no idea where Tracey was during the commotion and I do not remember her running back down past me. I do not remember that happening and I was not in a position to hear any cat-calling, if there had been some.

14. After looking back at where the commotion was coming from Paul and I literally turned around and walked away towards Tracey's house. I thought, "*Well, what possibly could happen if the police were there?*" but I probably thought that, whatever was going on, I was not going back down there to get myself lifted by the police. I thank God that I had the sense to walk on. I remember passing a drunk person around West Street. I do not know where he had come from, but it must have been from the town centre. Nor do I know who he was.

15. I would say that it took about 10 – 15 minutes to reach Tracey McAlpine's house from the point where I was looking at the fight because I was probably dawdling. I can no longer remember the exact time I arrived at Tracey's house or who was there, but in my statement [page 9181] I said, "*I arrived there about 2.10am. Tracey and Pauline Newell and Kelly Lavery were already there. Kelly shouted down that her and Pauline were in bed. A few minutes later [REDACTED] arrived and took me home.*" As far as I am concerned what I said there was true. I cannot remember exactly how long I stayed, but it was not very long. When I said "*a few minutes*" in my statement, it could have been only 10 or 15 minutes at the most. I do not think that there was a party in full swing going on while I was there.

16. There must have just been some talk about a bit of a commotion in town, but I was not aware at that time what had taken place because I had a head start and was away up West Street with the fight probably still happening behind me. Nobody arrived at Tracey's house and told us what had happened.