

The interview is commencing from my wrist watch it's 10, sorry 1008 I have made a mistake the last time that 1006 was the, the termination of the last tape and 1008 is the commencement of this one. Now just, just going back there to, to where you saw this person lying.

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Yeah.

On the, on the street.

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Yeah.

Did you see, you just saw the one person.

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I just saw the one person.

And where were you at, at this time.

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I was from where I have marked one with my initials at it I, I had, as I say I had went over either the fella had tripped and I was pulling him back and I, I looked over.

How did you get from, from oh sorry.

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The, there's two people, there's some on the road round here and.

Now wait a minute this is where you were at, with the two people.

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Yeah, I was there.

Just mark that if that's the case. Two, just mark it two. Two.

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See that's.

Sorry mark it, mark it the figure two.

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Right I was there, I was round about there just the pavement.

Just two and your initials beside it. But then how were you restraining these two people if you were here and they were there.

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I wasn't particularly restraining them all the time I, I was, when I was standing here it's been a physical barrier as, I.

Were you standing with your hands out or.

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Yes I, I was, I was standing with, with my two hands out like this here and talking to them, trying to keep them pacified, you know telling them to stay their ground.

OK so you're standing there trying to keep these boys pacified.

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Yeah.

And what happens then, how, which one got into the middle of the street here.

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Ah.

Or how did you get to the middle of the street.

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How did I get to the, I can't the fella with the grey jumper he took a dart at, to try and get past me and he tripped and I, when he started moving I started moving to try and stop him.

Aha.

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So I did. He went down and I grabbed the hold of him so I did and I think I was dragging him back or trying to lift him up or something and I looked across the road so I did and I, I seen somebody lying on the road some road about here.

Now just mark that there now and, and. Right just for your, for your own benefit before you mark anything there is two areas indicated.

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Yeah.

And they were indicated by police on the 10th of June '97 ahm by R/Constable Atkinson and Constable Neill as areas where they have seen people lying and just to make you aware of what those positions are that, that's them marked on the maps OK.

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Yeah he was, he was lying some road about there.

And would you mark that just as three then.

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Just, some road, because the centre island it's ah.

Aha.

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It's arise.

That's right.

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And you know you can just.

So you were looking from number one position across and you believe it was the number

three.

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Yeah, yeah.

So you saw a person lying there.

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Yeah.

Was there anybody about at this stage.

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There was a, there was a lot of people up here.

And would you just indicate that. And mark that four, that's right, and your initials beside it. Right there's a person lying here.

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Yeah.

And you're trailing a person back to this side of the road.

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Yeah.

What did you do about this person that was lying here and what did you do when you went to this side of the road.

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Whenever I brought this person back across, I ran across to this side of the road to see, to see what I could do and as I was running across I could see that he was, he was lying on his stomach and there was blood at the top side and there was a female with him so, so there was and and at that time I looked, I could actually see another body lying and he was some road, about there.

And would you mark with five then.

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And the, this crowd here was shouting in the direction of, there was other people back here that, they're a nationalist crowd they're standing about here.

Would you mark that six just.

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And when I came across other police had arrived and made their way up past here and we pushed the crowd back a bit you know to, to leave a bit, a bit of an area here, a bit of breathing room.

Between, between the two parties.

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Yeah, yeah.

Number three and.

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And number four. And there was a lot of hostile shouting so there was there was one fella shouted "I hope he fuckin' dies" and then pointing his finger like this here.

Yeah. During all this time what were you doing because it took some time for the, for help to come, now.

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Yes.

What did you do during all this time.

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What, when, whenever I came across to this side of the road.

Yeah.

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Ahm whenever I came across to that side of the road there was ones on the footpath I was, well telling them to move back so I was.

So you were trying to deal with the crowd.

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Yeah part of the crowd. That those ignored, there was some up on the footpath and I was telling them to move on back.

These ladies that were in the vicinity what were they doing.

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Ah crying they were, they were distressed so they were.

Were any of them helping the two people on the ground.

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Yeah as I say there was one, I can, I can remember one woman she was down at this, at number three and I, I can't mind what, what she was doing whether she, she was knelt down beside him.

You can't remember what she was doing. Did you ever, did you have a conversation with any of them.

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No.

Or did they speak to you.

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Ah no, no. I just told them to, to move out, to move on back. I don't, no I wasn't talking to any of them.

Just as a matter of interest you've heard the allegation by the deceased's sister.

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Right.

That police stood by and did nothing while their brother was kicked to death, what would you say about that allegation.

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It's unfounded, I done the best I could that night. And hind, hindsight is a great thing, yes there might have been different course of action open to me, look with hindsight.

What do you think those courses of action might have been then reflected on it.

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Pulling my pistol out, fire a shot in the air, using the landrover to put to break the crowd up.

Are you saying it would have been physically impossible for the four of you or the three of you and one woman to stop the crowd.

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Yes. Well at the end of the day if we got, if we'd have, my wife could have been walking behind a coffin as well so she could have, if I had been in the middle of that, if.

But you've already told us that no blows were struck and, and issues such as that there, I mean if there were no blows struck you wouldn't have been taking many chances. I think in fairness now you said that you didn't see blows struck.

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No I, I didn't see any blows struck.

Yeah.

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But.

But you, during this whole fracas saw no blows being struck.

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No I didn't.

How many people did you recognise out of this crowd.

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By name there was, there was only a couple of them I know by name but I, I know them all to see.

Ehm.

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So I do.

Well since the date of that, that, that fracas.

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Yeah.

How many have you seen and how many have you identified.

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I've, I, I'm off on the sick at the minute, I, I've been on the sick since May.

Ehm.

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So I have, I haven't been, I haven't been.

Yeah. Who did you know that night.

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Ah Stacey.

Right.

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I, I know Stacey by name and I know, I could, I could pick them out so I could.

You know him as a troublemaker you said at the very beginning there.

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Yeah, yeah.

OK well there's just a number of other points P40 that, that have come up and may refer to you and may not refer to you, and it's basically trying to eliminate or, or to find out, establish if they did refer to you now, now there's an allegation, did the policewoman get out of the vehicle to talk to the two persons, namely Stacey and Forbes.

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No.

OK. Did you grab hold of a person in the group that was kicking at one of the injured persons.

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No.

Right a female alleges that after one was injured, one of the persons was injured, she ran to a landrover and asked them to get help, did this person speak to you.

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No.

Ahm did you see well no, that's not really relevant, Constable Neill alleges that he saw you trying to separate a fight with R/Con Atkinson, can you describe that incident.

I, I can't mind that incident.

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OK and we have already put the point to you then of the persons, you've heard of a number of persons have been charged with this incident.

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Yeah.

And if I go through the names with you, Lunt, Forbes, Bridgett, Robinson, Hanvey, Hobson.

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Eh.

Do any of them mean anything to you besides.

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Yes Stacey Bridgett ah I at.

Sorry Lunt.

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No ah I, I know of him but.

Right.

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I, there's one fella that stood out to me he was waving his finger and shouting, he was being very, very abusive and he was, he was wanting to get in at the person lying he had very short, black hair ahm, goat, he had a goatee beard.

Goatee beard.

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And a black moustache. He was very, he was stockily build.

Righto.

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So he was and I'm not sure what his name was.

Right.

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As I say, as I say I know the man, I know them.

Forbes, do you know that name.

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Forbes, that was the wee fella with Stacey.

Righto. Robinson do you know that name.

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Robinson, no, what's his first name.

Rory Robinson.

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No.

Ah Hanvey.

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Hanvey.

No. Mark Hobson.

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And I know of, ah I've heard of the name but.

It means nothing to you.

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But not, it means nothing to me.

OK. OK I'm going to terminate the interview here, we've now finished the interview with you I'll give you the notice explaining about the, I told you what, about the interview, that's the PACE 21, I'll give you that now and before I switch off the tape recorder do you wish to clarify anything you have said.

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I think we've got the fighting bit sorted out.

Righto.

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Just struggling.

Do you wish to add anything or do you wish to make a written statement.

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Ahm.

Ah no that's the (inaudible). You've made a witness statement.

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Right.

OK I'm now switching off the tape recorder, the time which is taken from my watch is 10.23 pm.