

I Vincent Dermot McNeice of [REDACTED] state as follows:

On 27th April 1997 I left McKeevers Bar in Woodhouse Street, Portadown with Colin Hull. I was going up Woodhouse Street to see if Boss Hoggs chip shop was open. I heard screaming, and proceeded right to the top of the street. There was a police Land Rover near the top of Woodhouse Street and I saw D [REDACTED] lying on the road at the bottom of Thomas Street and Robert Hamill was lying on the road about twenty yards away from him. There was a girl at the Land Rover screaming for help.

There was a crowd in the middle of the road of about thirty people. There were no police about except for those in the Land Rover. I went over to D [REDACTED] and put my coat under his head. We waited for the ambulance. The police made no effort to help the injured men at all and it was only when the ambulance came that they got help. I went in the ambulance with D [REDACTED] to hospital.

I couldn't identify anyone who was attacking the boys but I can say for definite that the RUC would have seen what was going on and made no effort to give any assistance to the injured men.

Dated this 19th day of May 1997

Signed - Dermot McNeice

Witnessed - [REDACTED], Solicitor