

12. We had stopped in Market Street in a lay by, in a position which I have previously referred to as LR/1. This afforded a view for front seat passengers of the junction between High Street/Market Street/Woodhouse Street and Thomas Street with a view down to the bottom of the town where fast food outlets were but there was no view for those in the rear. I cannot remember how long we had stopped at this spot.
13. Constable Neill moved the vehicle forward into the junction of Woodhouse Street at a position I have previously referred to as LR/2. He then moved off again a short distance with the vehicle pointing into the pavement at an angle at position LR/3.
14. I remember two youths walking up the pavement in High Street on the Woolworths side of the street. One of these was a youth I knew from policing Portadown to be a local troublemaker called Stacey. I now know him to be called Stacey Bridgett. I did not know the name of the other youth. I recall an older male crossing in front of the Land Rover and saying that his friends were coming down Thomas Street from St. Patrick's Hall. I cannot remember if I heard this or Reserve Constable Cornett had relayed this to Reserve Constable Atkinson and myself. I am aware from the Inquiry or some other source that the other officers refer to the male coming from Thomas Street crossing in front of the Land Rover and saying something and that is why we stopped at position LR/2 but that is not my recollection of events. I cannot remember Reserve Constable Cornett shouting at these men. I did not see any confrontation between these three men.
15. The comment about people coming from St. Patrick's Hall did not concern me because I had at that stage only seen Stacey Bridgett and his friend. Bridgett put his head through the front passenger door and said, "Where's Rodney". We had a brief conversation but I cannot remember what was said. I saw that he was carrying a bottle of Buckfast Tonic Wine. I did not include this in my statement or notebook but remembered this fact when I was interviewed by Detective Chief Superintendent McBurney on 8 September 1997. So far as I can recall Bridgett had a bottle in his hand.