

He was accompanied by Reserve Constable Warnock. Constable Adams then told me to get into the car, along with Reserve Constable Warnock. Sergeant P89 and Inspector McCrum walked into the town centre. Constable Adams drove into High Street and parked the car in the middle of the road, somewhere in the vicinity of the TV rental shop.

8. I have marked on the map with an arrow the route we took into the town centre. That map is attached to this statement. We went straight down Edward Street, reached High Street and turned left. We stopped relatively close to the junction of Edward Street and High Street. I have marked on the map with a square the area where the car parked.
9. I got out of the car and took possession of the Heckler & Koch sub-machine gun (the MP5 gun). I took up a cover position in the vicinity of Ronnie's pub in High Street. As I arrived, the ambulance left. I did not see anyone in or at the Thomas Street junction. The police seemed to have got the people up the street towards the big church. I did not get involved in getting the people up the street. I stayed in the vicinity of the police vehicles and looked after them. My responsibility was to protect the police vehicle and the gun. A gun cannot be left alone in a police car in case somebody got hold of it. I took the gun out of the car to ensure I had control of it, not with any intention to use it.
10. During the time that I performed this duty, a couple passed me and asked if it was safe to go up Thomas Street. I stayed in that general area until approximately 3 am. Before I left, other police arrived and assisted further up the street. During the time that I was in High Street, I heard people shouting from the vicinity of the church and the crowd eventually disappeared up West Street. I did not hear anything specific being shouted and I did not recognise anyone in the crowd. I did not see any fighting but I was positioned in such a way that I was looking away from the scene towards the other end of town. I did not pay much attention to what was going on behind me.