

**WITNESS STATEMENT**

(Criminal Procedure Rules, r. 16.2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9)

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Statement of PC 3698 POLLARD.....

Age if under 18 Over 18.... (If over 18 insert "over 18") Occupation: Police Officer.....

This statement (consisting of 1 page(s) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature *A. Pollard* 3698 (witness) Date: 15/04/22

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded  (supply witness details on rear)

I am Police Constable working for South Yorkshire Police currently stationed at Barnsley.

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022, I was on duty in full Police uniform on public order duties within in Barnsley Town centre town conducting what is known as "Street Safe". At 22:55hrs myself, PC 126 FRANEY and PS 506 HARPER was inside of the marked Police van on route to "THE SUGAR CLUB" on PITT STREET, BARNSELY in order to conduct checks within the premises as there was intelligence to suggest they were allowing underage people into the club. As the van turned left from WELLINGTON STREET to PITT STREET. I witnessed the bouncer enter the club as the Police van approached. A few moments later a group of roughly four or five young looking females and one male exited the club and very quickly left whilst we were walking across.

By the time we got to the entrance of the club the females had already left into the crowd at the bottom of WELLINGTON STREET therefore details were unable to be obtained. At the entrance of the club the bouncer that had initially gone inside had come back out and we began to engage in conversation he gave his details as [redacted] After this we entered the club, whilst inside there were not very many people approximately thirty. No persons present appeared to be underage therefore we exited and went to get back in Police van.

As soon as we got back in the van a male who had initially left the club on our initial approach was witnessed to attempt to re-enter the club. PC FRANEY and I immediately exited the van and went to see how old he was. When challenged by us the male said his name was [redacted] but did not have any I.D on him, he stated that he had left his hat in the club and that is why he wanted to go back in. As we were watching, [redacted] refused him entry as he did not have his I.D despite him being in previously. The male then left towards upper PITT STREET

Signature: *A. Pollard* 3698 Signature Witnessed by: .....