

WITNESS STATEMENT

CJ Act 1967, s.9; MC Act 1980, ss.5A(3)(a) and 5B; Criminal Procedure Rules 2005, Rule 27.1

Statement of Andrew DIGBY..... URN: [] [] [] []

Age if under 18 Over 18..... (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Police Officer 182283

This statement (consisting of: 3..... pages 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 anything in it which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: [Signature] Date: 15 October 2012.....

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

Suspect arrested at 8.24am. Notes started at 9.20am at Case Progression Unit at Edmonton Polioce Station. This is my original note and the events are fresh in my memory. I have been a police officer for 28 years, the last 9 of which has been as a police dog handler. My police dog (PD), Linpol Tango, is 3 years of age and is licensed in safety, efficiency and control has completed a 3 month intensive initial course and undergoes 9 days a year continuation training in which, he is trained to locate suspects via human scent. Further to this, he has been trained to identify property that has been left at the scene or discarded. Also due to his environmental training, he indicates objects that may have been touched, moved or disturbed. He is also trained to detain a suspect who is attempting to evade detention or presents a threat to himself or his handler. On Monday 15 October 2012 at about 8am I was on duty in full uniform employed in a fully marked police dog vehicle equipped and adapted for use for the conveyance of police dogs. I was assigned via the main force radio channel to attend BURNCROFT AVENUE, Enfield. Cad 1352 refers to officers who had attended 109 Burncroft Avenue in an attempt to arrest a male for theft of a trailer in Winchester, Hampshire (Cad 3311 of 11/10./2012 refers). The male suspect had been seen to decamp out the rear of the premises and was believed to be in back gardens. As I was on my way using the emergency lights and sound, I heard over the Enfield Borough radio channel a message from a Pc 815YE CAWLEY that the suspect was known to him and that for officer safety purposes, the suspect was violent. On arrival, I spoke to Pc 138YE SIMS. He and other officers had spread a cordon around a square of terraced houses and maisonettes at the rear of 109 Burncroft Ave. He told me that the Service helicopter was on its way to assist in the search for the male. From what he told me I believed I had reasonable cause to believe the male had committed an offence and that the use of my dog to find the male was lawful as he was wanted for theft of a trailer and had made strenuous efforts to evade arrest. I considered that the use of force used in deploying the dog to search and then detain the suspect by barking at him or biting him if an attempt to escape

Signature: [Signature] Signature witnessed by: [Signature]