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Person interviewed: Amandip Singh JOHAL

Place of interview: Chesterfield Police Station

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Interviewing Officer(s): PC 2866 McGROGAN

Other persons present: Gazala KAUSER (Legal Representative)

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Introduction and Caution in accordance with PACE. The suspect was advised of their right to free and independent legal advice.

1.27		JOHAL was reminded he had been arrested on suspicion of Assaulting Adrian and Martin GLASGOW on 5 th June 2006 following an incident on the Coronary Care Unit at Chesterfield Royal Hospital.
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1.52	PC McGROGAN	"If you'd like to start by telling me what led to you being at the Hospital on that day and what happened?"
	JOHAL	"[...] I was walking through the corridor in the Coronary Care Unit. As I passed some people on the left of me who were seated one of 'em said you ignorant Paki, I can't remember the exact words, I think it was ignorant Paki and I ignored that and carried on and the other one said you ignorant Paki bastard. I

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turned round and said excuse me and then one of them jumped off of a seat, he was a skin head one and came up quite close to my face and said you're a Paki, I says no I'm English, he says no you're a Paki and the other one, the others joined in and said no you're a Paki. He was getting sort of quite aggressive, he was red and he was in my face, he was breathing quite heavily and he was being quite aggressive so I just said to him you sit down I'm going 'cos obviously I could see they was going to escalate the situation 'cos they was being quite aggressive. As I sort of turned around about thirty degrees I got punched in the face by the skin head and I sort of fell backwards and went towards the door to try and escape but he lined up for another punch and hit me again and then the others joined in and then basically they just kept punching and kicking me and so on. I think at that stage they threw me into the corner, they were still punching and still hitting me. At one stage I was on the floor, at another stage I was trying to get through the door you know to try and escape. One of them was the skin head one I think shouted to the other one don't let him escape [...] and they had hold of my arms so I couldn't get through the door. One of them, not the skinhead, the other one was actually, 'cos obviously there was three of them attacking me, there was very little I could do, I was flailing my arms at this stage as well. One of them was actually lining his punches up so he was actually stepping backwards while the other one was punching me, I was trying to cover my head and he was punching me like taking his time and punching me so he was really leading into the punches and one of them was smothering me as well, that's the third one and because I was shouting for help as well [...] so people could come. Eventually I managed to get through the door and as I did the door shut and the guy who was trying to pull me back in, he

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must have fell forward into the door and the door did shut and looked around to see if there was any Security or call Security but then they all came running out and started, carried on fighting and that's when they carried on punching again. I did try and get them off me by [...] flailing my arms and trying to get him off me but he was really aggressive and then the skin head pulled me against [...] the kitchen sink or in the corner and they carried on and then eventually it was my Dad who actually pulled them off me because my family were still there because [...] my Grandma was ill. Me Dad didn't actually know at the time that it was me that was being attacked 'cos what he said was he saw three men beating somebody up so all my family was watching but they didn't realise it was me [...]."

5.03

JOHAL said that the men still wanted to fight even after the Nurses arrived. One of the Nurses had told the men to leave but they wouldn't and so he left with his Dad. Because the men were aggressive three of his Uncles also accompanied him and his Dad out of the Hospital. He had been scared and shook as he left the building because the attack had been vicious. He said that photographs had been taken of his injuries and would show he had bruising all over his face as well as bumps on his head, which Officers had also witnessed. He said one of the wives of the men had said to her husband you're always aggressive, you cause problems wherever you go. This made him feel that the men had been in trouble with the Police before although he appreciated the Officer had to investigate the counter allegation. He had been shocked at the incident but also because it had occurred on the Coronary Care Unit at the Hospital where people were seriously ill.

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7.30

PC McGROGAN referred to the description of the men provided by JOHAL in a statement following the incident. He understood now that male one was Martin GLASGOW, male two was Adrian GLASGOW and Graham GLASGOW was male three. JOHAL did not know these men. He believed that the skinhead (Martin GLASGOW) had made the initial comment and the second male had made the following comment. All three men had then joined in the conversation although he could not recall what exactly was said. PC McGROGAN stated that JOHAL had not made mention in his account about the third male being involved. JOHAL claimed the third male had been the one that had smothered him near the door. He believed this male had also hit him as he'd had blows rained on him from people on all sides. PC McGROGAN pointed out that JOHAL had not made reference to the third male assaulting him at all in his initial statement. JOHAL claimed he had rushed making his statement because his Grandma had passed away.

10.44

PC McGROGAN disclosed the account of Martin GLASGOW. JOHAL had not heard the comment "how come when there's more than one of them, they talk in their own language." He said that when he walked past the males he had been alone and on his way to leave the Hospital.

12.56

PC McGROGAN

"He said that you then walked towards Adrian, bent over to his face about two inches from his face and started shouting at Adrian?"

JOHAL

"No that's just complete rubbish as well."

PC McGROGAN

"He says he believes it was about the comment that Adrian had made [...] 'how come when there's more than one of them, they all talk in their own language.'"

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	JOHAL	"I've never heard him say that, that's absolutely not true at all."
13.28		PC McGROGAN said Martin GLASGOW claimed JOHAL had been breathing heavily and hyperventilating into his face. JOHAL refuted this and claimed it had been the male with the skinhead that had done this to him. He also refuted that he had said to Adrian 'come outside and we'll sort it out.' He further disputed that he had called the male an ugly bastard.
13.58	PC McGROGAN	"Martin says that you then turned to him and pushed him two to three times in the chest?"
	JOHAL	"No not at all."
	PC McGROGAN	"And shouted that you wanted an apology?"
	JOHAL	"No not at all. As I say that's completely made up."
14.14		PC McGROGAN continued to say that Martin GLASGOW claimed Adrian had said to JOHAL that he was sorry, but JOHAL asked Martin to apologise but he refused and so JOHAL told him to sit down or go outside. JOHAL said this was completely untrue. PC McGROGAN continued to read the account.
15.21	PC McGROGAN	"He said he'd sit down when he was ready and he says that you then punched him to the left eye using your right fist?"
	JOHAL	"That's a complete lie as well."
	PC McGROGAN	"And that it broke his glasses?"
	JOHAL	"Complete lie."
15.36		PC McGROGAN said Martin claimed he could not recall how he grabbed hold of him but that he had done so and then they stumbled into a wall before JOHAL pushed his finger into his eye a number of times which had caused him a lot of pain.

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The pair began to wrestle. JOHAL maintained that it had been Martin that had hit him first. He agreed the pair had wrestled. He said that both Martin and Adrian had punched him in the corridor near the doorway. He believed that the one behind might have an injury to his knuckle as he had missed one of the punches and struck the wall. He claimed he had been punched between 50 and 60 times and said that the attack had been vicious.

17.19

PC McGROGAN referred to Adrian GLASGOW's account. He clarified that Adrian had apologised but when Martin was asked to apologise he refused and said he had done nothing wrong. JOHAL claimed that all the males had been aggressive towards him. He said that it was a lie that he had punched the male and smashed his glasses.

20.39

PC McGROGAN
JOHAL

"Did you punch Martin GLASGOW to the face?"

"[...] He stood up aggressively he went straight into my face and obviously I knew he was really het up for a fight and he was really aggressive and he punched me straight away as I was turning to leave and I told him I'd leaving as well and that's when he punched me and then I got punched again and again, I got punched I don't know how many times, loads and loads of times by all of them so that's how it happened, that's just a load of rubbish."

PC McGROGAN

"He says he then, he started grappling in the corridor and as you was trying to separate them, he was trying to separate you and Martin?"

JOHAL

"As I said that's complete rubbish. It was basically this is completely true, that skin head one [...] Martin [...] he was the complete aggressor, he was punching me and as he punched me I think the second time the others joined in, you can see

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from my photographs [...] that it was just completely them punching me and [...] that went on for some time. I'm actually shouting for help and actually trying to get out of there [...]. To say that he was trying to stop it is just absolutely ridiculously and that I was the aggressor."

21.59

PC McGROGAN submitted the account of Graham GLASGOW. JOHAL maintained he had heard the comment 'ignorant Paki' made. He believed that the brothers had corroborated their accounts. He maintained the brothers had been really aggressive towards him and had not tried to apologise. He believed that they had wanted a fight, it had been him that had tried to walk away. He disputed that he had said do you want to take this outside. He claimed he had told them he was going. He said it had been Martin that had been the one who had been breathing heavy and in his face and this was when he realised that he had become aggressive. He then told Martin that he was going, this was when Martin hit him. PC McGROGAN said that Graham claimed he had told both his brother Martin and JOHAL to pack it in because of where they were but the situation escalated. JOHAL maintained Martin had been the aggressor. PC McGROGAN continued to read Graham's account.

27.08

PC McGROGAN

"He says that Martin stood there with his arms, he did stand up eventually and he stood his ground and he stood there with his arms folded and said look if you don't stop, I'll start as you continually pushed him in his chest?"

JOHAL

"No."

PC McGROGAN

"He says that you then hit him in the face causing his glasses to break?"

JOHAL

"That's a complete lie as well."

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	PC McGROGAN	"He says you then struggled and wrestled with each other, [...] he couldn't see [...] who was hitting each other as they were so close together and kind of wrestling?"
	JOHAL	"As I say he's completely [...] lying, obviously they're three brothers and they've just made a complete rubbish story up."
28.06		JOHAL said that the males had all run through the doors and probably fallen into it as they did so. The Nurses had not tried to intervene, it had been his Father who had managed to stop the incident. PC McGROGAN pointed out that the Nurses had probably been totally shocked, as they were there to care for people. JOHAL said that all those who had witnessed the incident would clarify that it had been the three males that had attacked him. He claimed that the male who'd smothered him was not trying to stop the fight because he had his hands over his mouth to stop him from shouting for help. He also had bruises to his arms.
31.04		PC McGROGAN disclosed the account of Karen WHEELDON, the sister of the brothers. Karen had been on the ward with her Mother at the time of the incident. He said Karen claimed she had heard a commotion and looked through the door for her brothers and as she opened the door Martin and JOHAL fell through it. JOHAL had not seen anyone open the door. He believed he had managed to escape through the door as the male tried to pull him back, but if the lady opened it then that had helped him.
32.38	PC McGROGAN	"She's saying that as you both then fell through the door, that she saw you trying to bite the top of Martin's head?"
	JOHAL	"[...] No what happened was as I fell through the door [...] I sort of half turned to see if there was any help [...] to try and

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get security and then he comes through the door and carries on swinging and then he grabs me [...] he did punch me again and again and then he grabbed me and shoved me in a corner and that's when I was up against the sink."

"Did you try and bite Martin GLASGOW's head?"

"Well I did at the sink because [...] when I was at the sink and they were punching me and there was other people still punching me still then, the other brothers I particularly remember Adrian the tall one punching me, he actually [...] grabbed hold of my privates [...] and to get him off because he was too strong [...] the only thing I could do was [...] I did try and get him off by biting him 'cos I was in so much pain [...]."

33.44

JOHAL said that he had been extremely scared at the time and surprised he had not needed admitting to Hospital himself after the assault. PC McGROGAN explained that Karen claimed she had then noticed her Mother had got out of bed and had been shouting at them to stop. Karen had returned to her Mother because of how seriously ill she was. Graham had also claimed he had been trying to part JOHAL and his brother Martin but when he noticed his Mum had got out of bed he left to help her. JOHAL could not say anything about this because he was being hit at that time. He understood from his Father that he had tried to pull the red haired male off him and as soon as the Police were mentioned the red haired man ran off.

36.00

PC McGROGAN referred to the statements of JOHAL's parents. He disclosed the Father's account. JOHAL said that he had not spoken to his Father fully about the incident because of what had happened to his Grandma. He believed that at the time his Father had told him that all three males had been on him. PC McGROGAN submitted the account of

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JOHAL's Mother. JOHAL said that he had told the Nurse that he had been the one who had been attacked. He added that his Grandma had been seriously ill on the ward and the last thing he would have wanted was to cause trouble on the ward, which was treating seriously ill people.

40.59

PC McGROGAN explained that he was in receipt of a number of statements from the Nurses and two people who had also been visiting their relative. He said that none of these persons had witnessed what had occurred in the corridor. He disclosed the account of Susan LEES, a Senior Staff Nurse. JOHAL pointed out that the Nurse had not mentioned that a woman had opened the door. He said that the Nurse had not seen the initial incident and would therefore not have realised that Martin had been the main aggressor. He presumed there would have been blood on the floor as he had sustained a 4" cut which had bled profusely and had been all over his suit.

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