

**WITNESS STATEMENT**

Criminal Procedure Rules, r 27. 2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9; Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5B

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Statement of: **Paul HUGHES**Age if under 18: **018** (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: **Police Officer 11187**

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 in it, anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Signature: **Paul HUGHES**Date: **02/08/2019**Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded  (supply witness details on rear)

On Thursday the 13th of June 2019 at 11:20hrs I was on uniformed duty with PC 13349 MATTHEWS in GABRIELS HILL, MAIDSTONE. My attention was drawn to a female street drinker who is well known in the town centre, enter Upmart News. This raised a few concerns about her intentions. Only 10 minutes prior to her entering the store I consifacted alcholo off her as she was drunk and clearly under the influence as she was slurred in her words and her deamour was that of a drunk person.

I commenced recording of my body worn camera. I entered the store and saw a male member of staff behind the till area bagging up cans of high strength larger. I said "YOU CANT BE SERVING HER, SHE IS DRUNK". She replied "I'M NOT DRUNK". I said "YOU ARE DRUNK, YOU CANT BE SERVING HER SHES INTOXICATED. YOU ARE DRUNK". She replied "I'M NOT DRUNK, I'VE ONLY HAD ONE CAN TODAY". I said "YOU'VE HAD MORE THAN ONE CAN WHAT ABOUT

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THE OTHER ONE?" She replied "YOU TIPPED IT AWAY IT WAS A FULL CAN, I'M LEAVING". I said "YOU CANT BE SERVING HER MATE, OUT OF TOWN YOU GO". She replied "I'M LEAVING, I'M GOING HOME". I said "GOOD, YES THAT'S FINE, YOUR NOT BUYING THEM HERE YOU'VE HAD TOO MUCH TO DRINK". She replied "I HAVENT HAD TOO MUCH TO DRINK, JUST BECAUSE I SAT ON THE FLOOR TO MAKE A PHONE CALL".

PC MATTHEWS then said to her "YOUR PORTRAYING YOU'VE HAD A LOT TO DRINK, YOU'RE COMING ACROSS YOU'VE HAD A LOT TO DRINK". She replied "I'VE HAD ONE, I'VE HAD ONE, I HAVEN'T, YOUR WINDING ME UP. BASICALLY WHAT IT WAS I WENT IN THE POLISH SHOP AND I BROUGHT TWO. YEAH SO I'VE HAD ONE". I said "WELL YOU SEEM INTOXICATED TO ME VANESSA". She replied "NO I'M NOT. YOU TIPPED AWAY THE WHOLE CAN"

PC MATTHEWS then said "YOU CANT DRINK IN TOWN, YOU WERE DRINKING IN TOWN, YOU WERE SITTING ON THE FLOOR". She replied "I'M LEAVING NOW. I'VE ONLY HAD ONE, THAT'S ALL I'VE HAD IS ONE. DONT SAY I'M INTOXICATED WHEN FULL WELL I'M NOT".

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The remainder of the conversation is about how much she had consumed and leaving town. Throughout the interaction the female was slurred in her words and would sway from side to side.

It was clear and in my opinion she was clearly drunk and under the influence of intoxicating liquor as she smelt of it.

The female left town and I later informed PC 11187 WILLIAMS the Licensing Officer about the incident.

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