

Witness Name: JAMIE SEVERN

Statement No: WITN0014001

Dated: 28/10/2025

THE NOTTINGHAM INQUIRY

FIRST WITNESS STATEMENT OF JAMIE SEVERN

I, JAMIE SEVERN, will say as follows: -

1. My name is Jamie Severn.
2. This witness statement is made to assist the Nottingham Inquiry (the "Inquiry") with the matters set out in the Rule 9 Request dated 27th June 2025 (the "Request").
3. In making this statement, I have refreshed my memory by reading the Incident Log for police incident 0852_13072020 (URN: NGPF0000049).

My Background

4. I am a retired police officer.
5. I joined Nottinghamshire Police in 1995 and retired in 2024. My collar number was 709. Prior to joining the police I completed a National Diploma in Business Studies and A Levels at College. Prior to joining the police I worked in estate agency and commercial estate agency for approximately five years.

6. I served in the rank of Constable and spent most of my service as a response officer in the South of Nottinghamshire. I joined the Street Triage Team in 2016 and served on it until 2024.

7. Street Triage Teams are teams made up of a police officer and a community psychiatric nurse (CPN). The Street Triage Team attends police incidents where there were mental health concerns. The basic concept of the team is that NHS colleagues can provide guidance and assess individuals interacting with the police, ensuring the best outcomes for them and in the least restrictive manner of intervention, where appropriate. The Team would also give guidance when S136 Mental Health Act 1983 detentions were deemed necessary, when a person was in need of removal to a place of safety. The Street Triage Team is generally a secondary resource and so attends incidents after other officers have attended and assessed the situation. If police officers attended an incident and made a decision to arrest a suspect and there are concerns over the person's mental health, then the Street Triage would not attend to assess, as this falls within the Criminal Justice pathway and any information sharing would take place via the Mental Health Pathway agreed within Nottinghamshire Police custody suites. The suspect's mental health and care would become the responsibility of the custody officer who has access to a mental health team in custody (Liaison and Diversion) with Community Psychiatric Nurses of an equivalent grade to the Street Triage nurses.

8. The Street Triage officers do not have any specific training or induction course. Generally experience is gained by working with the NHS staff. There are opportunities for occasional courses run by other agencies.
9. Prior to the 13th July 2020, to the best of my recollection, I had no knowledge of, or interactions with, Valdo Calocane, by that or any other name.

Events of the 13th July 2020

10. On the 13th July 2020, I was on duty as part of the Street Triage Team, working with CPN Nigel Wade. My call sign was MH05.
11. At approximately 10.31 pm on the 13th of July 2020 I became aware of Incident 0852_13072020 as officers on scene with Calocane had requested a RiO check. RiO is an NHS Electronic Patient Record system used by the Nottinghamshire NHS Healthcare Trust which my nursing colleague had access to. RiO checks can be requested by officers on scene and can be added to relevant incidents if the Street Triage Team deem it appropriate.
12. I read the Incident Log 0852_13072020 (**URN: NGPF0000049**) as I was sitting in the Street Triage Office. The incident description was 'Caller reporting someone broke into the property and assaulted someone. They have him detained on the floor. He is kicking off though'
13. Nigel Wade and I made our way to the address where the incident had occurred; Brook Court, 11 Player Street, Nottingham.
14. Upon our arrival Calocane was with other police officers. He had been handcuffed and was sitting in the rear of a police vehicle. I spoke to some of

the officers at the scene to obtain further information. I did not speak to any members of the public.

15. The CPN and I considered the information available to us from the RiO system (URN: **NHFT0000168**) and from police officers on the scene. We were told that Calocane had gone to a different floor in his block of apartments, knocked on the door and attempted to force his way in. The CPN and I were aware from the RiO system that there had been a similar incident in May of 2020 (0730_24052020) which resulted in his being detained and assessed under the Mental Health Act 1983.
16. The attending officers on scene were not proposing to arrest Calocane. Their primary concern was the mental state of Calocane.
17. I sat in the police vehicle with CPN Nigel Wade while he assessed Calocane. Calocane answered some questions but I cannot specifically recall what was asked by the nurse other than documenting on the Incident Log that Calocane was subdued and that the nurse felt that there may be underlying issues that he was trying to mask.
18. CPN Nigel Wade advised that Calocane needed to be detained under S136 of the Mental Health Act 1983 as at that point he was felt to be a significant risk to himself or others and requiring immediate care and control. I detained him under section 136 of the Mental Health Act 1983 at 11.30 pm and he was conveyed to a mental health facility by other officers.
19. I entered my notes in relation to the incident on the Incident Log (URN: **NGPF0000049**) at 00.28 am on the 14th of July 2020.

20. I did not speak to any potential witnesses at the scene as my role was not investigative. My role was to assist the CPN in making an assessment of Calocane's mental state by sharing relevant policing information and to exercise control over Calocane had he proved to be physically challenging.
21. Based on the accounts from the attending officers and on the Incident Log and the assessment made by CPN Wade, I made the decision to detain Calocane under the provisions of s.136 of the Mental Health Act 1983, because, based on that information, he appeared to me to be suffering from a mental disorder and to be in immediate need of care or control and I considered it necessary to remove him to a place of safety both in his interests and to protect other people.
22. I did not notify any other organisations or people of his detention because the Nottinghamshire NHS Healthcare Trust were made aware as Calocane was detained under S136 MHA and a handover carried out at the S136 Suite at hospital in readiness for his formal mental health assessment. The local authority and Nottinghamshire NHS Healthcare Trust would share information as part of the formal mental health assessment. They can also make referrals to other services if required.
23. At the time I detained Calocane, I was not aware of any outstanding criminal matters against him. I asked the officers who had initially attended to confirm whether any offence had been committed. PC Plant updated the Incident Log to confirm his assessment that no criminal offences had been committed and that an offence of Burglary had not occurred.

24. On reflection, I would say that the incident was dealt with appropriately. Given the circumstances and Calocane's history, my opinion is that it was the right course to treat him as someone suffering from psychosis, which the notes on RiO identified he had been treated for and to remove him to a place where he could be assessed and treated to safeguard him and others, rather than to deal with the matter as a crime.
25. On reviewing the matter, I would say that the initial attending officers were right to raise concerns about Calocane's mental health. The Street Triage Team was effective in identifying the need for further assessment and demonstrated the benefit of joint police and health service working.
26. I have been asked whether details of the attendance or actions were communicated to other bodies. My answer is that Nottinghamshire NHS Healthcare Trust were notified as I attended with CPN Nigel Wade, but I did not notify any other bodies.
27. I have been asked whether there were any barriers to the sharing of information. My answer is there were no barriers, as information was shared between Nottinghamshire Police and Nottinghamshire NHS Healthcare Trust, as I was working with CPN Wade. The CPN accessed and reviewed the RiO Patient Record System. I did not have access to the system.
28. I have been asked which, if any, criminal offences were considered and to set out in full the reasons why the decision was reached that an offence had not occurred. My answer is that I was not made aware of any criminal offences being committed. The attending officers prior to my arrival did not identify any offences or any requirement to arrest and my role was not investigative.

29. I have been asked if I had any involvement in any assessment of Calocane. My answer is that I was present when he was assessed by Nigel Wade, whose professional opinion was that a S136 MHA detention was justified. Following the detention, I undertook a dynamic risk assessment and felt it was appropriate for police officers to transport Calocane to a health based place of safety. Any drug testing required would not be undertaken by myself on scene.
30. I have been asked what policies, procedures or criteria governed my role in this incident. My answer is that that the relevant Policy at the time was Policy document PD 620: Dealing with Persons with Mental Health (Consolidated Procedures) (URN: NGPF0006002). At the time of this incident I believe I adhered to the requirements of this Policy.
31. I have been asked if I have any concerns in respect of the police's actions in respect of this matter and my answer is that I do not.
32. I have been asked if I have any concerns over the recording of this matter and I do not.
33. I have been asked to consider if there are any additional actions that I or others could have taken. I have given this some thought and my answer is that I believe I took the correct course of action to detain Calocane under S136.
34. I have been asked if I consider there are any structural issues (regarding police policies, procedures, methodology, training etc.) which contributed to any issues I have identified. My answer to that is that I have not identified any issues.
35. I have been asked if I have any recommendations to make; having given the matter thought, I do not.

Statement of Truth

I believe the content of this statement to be true. I understand that proceedings may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief of its truth.

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