

Witness Name: Stuart Croy
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THE NOTTINGHAM INQUIRY

SECOND WITNESS STATEMENT OF STUART CROY

I, Stuart Croy, of the University of Nottingham, University Park, Nottingham, NG7 2RD, will say as follows: -

Introduction

1 I am employed by the University as Associate Director of Security Services. I previously provided a statement to the Nottingham Inquiry (the "Inquiry") dated 19 September 2025, in response to a Rule 9 Request dated 26 June 2025. This witness statement is made to assist the Inquiry with the matters set out in a second Rule 9 Request dated 3 February 2026.

Contact about VC in July 2020

2 In my first statement dated 19 September 2025, I set out the contact I had with colleagues within the University and with the police about VC in June 2020.

3 I have been asked to set out my involvement with VC in July 2020.

4 I received an email from Ellie Turner on 23 July 2020 with information about VC. This followed on from an email Ellie had sent me on 10 June 2020 setting out some information about an incident involving VC at private accommodation (Brook Court), concerning an unknown female who had jumped from a window. The email on 23 July 2020 stated:

“Dear Stuart,

For info. Following the email below, Valdo has had a further admission under similar circumstances (see entry below)

Circumstances leading up to admission

It appears he barged passed his neighbour gaining access to the flat and demanded the neighbour apologise for the crimes Valdo believed he has committed. Other neighbours came to the man’s aid and police arrived. He was detained on a sec 136 and subsequently detained on a section 3. He had reportedly been non- concordant with medications for 2 weeks preceding this. It seems he has had escorted leave to his flat during this admission.

We are advocating heavily for Valdo to return home but Valdo is keen to stay in Nottingham and the ward are supportive of this. I will speak with Valdo and the community team next week.” [UNIN0002081]

5 I have been asked whether I took any action on receipt of this email. I did not – Ellie was providing me an update for information only; she was not asking me to do anything. If Ellie had made a specific ask of me, such as to contact the police, I would have done that.

6 I have been asked whether it would be usual for me, in my role as Head of Security, to receive such information. It would depend on the situation – sometimes I did receive this kind of information, but it would depend on the specific case and it would be for MHAS to make a judgment call as to

whether Security needed to know, something they were well versed in doing. In this case, Ellie was simply providing an update for information.

Contact on matters concerning VC in 2022

7 In my first statement dated 19 September 2025, I said that after 2020 I had no further contact on matters connected to VC whilst he was a student. I have been referred to some documents that show I did have some further contact with others about VC in January 2022. I did not recall this contact when I made my first statement, nor do I recall it now.

8 On 18 January 2022, I understand Ellie Turner called me as I have seen a note that Ellie made of the conversation, as follows:

"TC to Stuart Croy to alert and check last card usage. Gave risk information. Stuart will check card and let me know when/if Valdo is located". [UNIN0000734]

9 I have been asked to set out my recollection of this telephone call including what 'risk information' was given to me, and what action I took in respect of that information.

10 I do not remember this telephone call. However, I have seen another note that Ellie made after the note of the telephone call to me, as follows:

"TC with Mark Davis who confirmed Valdo card usage indicates left Jubilee library (top floor LRC) at 6am via Wollaton Road". [UNIN0000734]

- 11 Mark Davis worked within the Security team – his role was Crime Prevention/Reduction Manager. I expect what happened is that Ellie called me and asked for my team to check VC's last card usage, and I either spoke to Mark Davis in person or called him and asked him to run the check and let Ellie know the outcome. Mark would then have done the check on our system and called the library to check their system and then let Ellie know about VC's card usage.
- 12 In respect of the 'risk information' Ellie gave me, as I said I do not recall the conversation. However, usually Ellie will give some background information to explain why she is making a request for card usage data as we would not share that data without good reason. It would tend to be enough information to justify the request.
- 13 If Ellie had called again and asked for anything further, I would have actioned that.
- 14 I have also been referred to an email dated 19 January 2022 from Mark Davis. He forwarded me an email from Chris Hoskins to Ellie Turner, Claire Thompson and himself. Mark's email to me said:
- "Stuart*
- See below for info regarding student Valdo Calocane who has [sic] arrested this lunchtime 13.00hrs at his home address by attending Police Officers". [UNIN0002235]*
- 15 The email from Chris Hoskins that was being forwarded said as follows:

“Quick update, VC was in his room when the Police executed the warrant so has been taken for assessment.

The AMHP said his assessment would be taking place around 15:00 today and she would provide an update after this had taken place”.

16 I have been asked what action I took on learning this information, given my knowledge of two incidents at Brook Court in 2020. I did not take any action on receipt of this information. My reading of this email is that I was being told this for information only; there was no specific ask for me to take action. I do not know now whether I would have recalled the two Brook Court incidents at the time in January 2022, but I do not think that knowledge would have impacted whether I took action or not as I was being told for information purposes only.

17 I have been asked what interaction I had with Chris Hoskins or other members of the Residential Experience Team (“ResX”) arising from the incident on 15 January 2022. I do not recall having any interaction with Chris Hoskins or any other member of the ResX team about the incident on 15 January 2022. The Security team are campus based so generally we do not become involved in incidents at Raleigh Park. If ResX requested our input, we would provide it.

18 I have been asked what further involvement I had with issues arising from the incident on 15 January 2022. As far as I recall, I did not have any further involvement.

19 I do not recall having any contact about VC, other than that set out above and in my first statement, whilst he was a student at the University.

Interaction with ResX

20 I have been asked how, and on what basis, information was shared between ResX and the University Security team. How information was shared between the Security team and ResX would depend on the circumstances. If there was an incident and ResX required the Security team's assistance quickly, they would usually call the Security control room. After an incident in which ResX were involved, the Security team would generally share, via email, an incident report with ResX.

21 I am asked whether there were any procedures or guidance which set out or explained the relationship between Security and ResX. As far as I am aware, in 2022 there were no procedures or guidance that directly governed the relationship between Security and ResX. However, based on my experience, colleagues within the Security team and ResX knew their roles and remit, and ResX knew when to call Security and vice versa. After the ResX team was set up, my recollection is that at least four members of the Security team moved to ResX, so they had a good working knowledge of how the Security team worked.

Assessment of risk

Assessment of risk – VC

- 22 I have been asked whether I was involved with any risk assessment that was undertaken of VC in the aftermath of the incident on 15 January 2022, and if not, whether I should have been. I remind the Inquiry the University does not hold risk or formally risk assess in relation to students who are under statutory services – that is the responsibility of the statutory services and the University is not a statutory service. I would not expect to be involved in a risk assessment undertaken by the NHS.
- 23 As a result, I was not involved in any formal risk assessment that was undertaken of VC in the aftermath of the incident on 15 January 2022.
- 24 I have been asked if I was not involved in assessing risk internally, whether I should have been. I do not know all of the details of VC's case so it is hard to answer that question, however I would not necessarily expect to be involved. Those involved in assessing risk at the University know whether to involve Security. In this case, MHAS and ResX were involved and I would expect they would have involved Security if they felt it was necessary.
- 25 The Inquiry has referred me to 'a report generated after the assault incident', namely document UNIN0000381. In respect of this, the Inquiry has asked whether Chris Hoskins or any other staff member contacted me about a risk assessment having been undertaken of VC and, if so, what information was I given and what did I do. I am not aware what document UNIN0000381 is, but as far as I recall, I was not contacted by anyone about an assessment of risk in relation to VC.

Assessment of risk – other students and staff

26 I have been asked whether I would have expected an assessment of risk to have been undertaken in respect of the risk that VC posed to other students and staff in the aftermath of the incident on 15 January 2022, given he remained at Raleigh Park and had access to University facilities until 28 January 2022 at which point he was detained. My expectation in a situation such as this is that Claire Thompson and MHAS would assess risk and involve the Security team if they felt this was required. I would not necessarily expect the Security team to be involved in such assessment of risk activity and would defer to those who specialise in mental health when the situation concerned mental health.

Enhanced safety protocols

27 I have been asked what safety protocols were put in place to protect students and staff in the aftermath of the incident on 15 January 2022. I am not aware of any safety protocols that were put in place by the Security team, but I have read Ellie Turner's statement dated 19 September 2025 and I note that VC's flatmates were moved into different accommodation and the NHS were contacted.

VC's flatmates continuing to share a flat with him

28 I have been asked whether I can assist the Inquiry with why VC's flatmates continued to share a flat with him until 18 January 2022 at which point they were moved to temporary accommodation. I do not have all the

information that would allow me to reach a conclusion in respect of this question.

Contact with the police

29 I have been asked whether I considered using the Information Sharing Agreement between the Nottinghamshire Constabulary and the University in order to obtain information from the police about the incident on 15 January 2022 and to understand what action they were taking. I did not consider this. If MHAS or another support service contacted Security with information, but did not ask us to contact the police, Security would not tend to do so proactively. MHAS and the other support services knew they could ask the Security team to act as a conduit if they needed information from the police. Had the Security team been asked to obtain information from the police about the incident on 15 January 2022, we would have done so.

30 I have been asked whether I now consider there should have been contact with the police, given the knowledge the University had about the incidents involving VC at Brook Court. I do not feel I can answer this question without knowing the full context of what happened during this period.

VC returning to Raleigh Park

31 I have been asked whether I was informed that VC returned to Raleigh Park in February and April 2022 and, if so, what action I took. I have also

been asked if I was not informed, whether I consider that I should have been.

32 I was not informed that VC returned to Raleigh Park, either in February or April 2022. It would depend on the circumstances, but I would not generally expect to be told about a student returning to their former accommodation, especially when the accommodation is not owned by the University.

Reflections and recommendations

33 I have been asked if I have any further reflections and recommendations I wish to share with the Chair.

34 In my first statement, I set out that the University now has a police officer embedded with the University. I cannot overemphasise the value of this relationship and would recommend it to all universities.

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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Signed:

Dated: 10 March 2026