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WITNESS STATEMENT

(Criminal Procedure Rules 2015 R16.2, Criminal Justice Act 1967 S9, Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 S5B)

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Statement of	SAYER, ASHLEY		
Age if under 18	Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18')	Occupation	POLICE CONSTABLE 37018
This statement (consisting of 2 page(s)) 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	 A.SAYER	Date	20/10/2020
Name / Rank / No	PC 37018 SAYER		

On Monday the 19th of October 2020 I was one of a number of officers who attended the Prince Albert Public House, Newton Street, Macclesfield.

I was asked to assist with a closure order for the pub which had been arranged by PC 5118 BASSIRAT.

I attended at the location sometime around 16:00 and along with my colleagues entered the pub, I then witnessed PC BASSIRAT serve the appropriate paperwork on the relevant persons within the pub.

Once the paperwork had been served, I took it upon myself to check the pub to ensure it was empty. I entered the male toilets of the public house on two different occasions, once when we first arrived and a second time prior to leaving to close the windows.

The toilets in the pub are situated at the rear, the men's toilets are accessed via two doors. There are two cubicles at either end of the toilet block and then some windows against the rear wall.

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As I closed the upper left hand window I noticed what appeared to be a small snap bag on the window ledge. If the windows are closed on a daily basis then the snap bag would have only been there from the same day as we attended. It appeared to me as if someone had tried to dispose of it out of the window but had failed as it had caught between the edge of the window and the window itself meaning it didn't drop out onto the floor.

I took the snap bag from the ledge and inspected it, the bag contained what I would say was traces of white powder, I believe that this white powder would have been cocaine. I inspected the packet and noted it only contained traces before placing it down on the bottom of the window ledge. I then left the packet in situ for the owner to dispose of.

I recorded my visit to the pub on BWV and believe the finding of the empty snap bag would be captured on my BWV which I can provide to the court in the future if required. This will be exhibited as AJS/01 - footage of closure order for the Prince Albert Public House.