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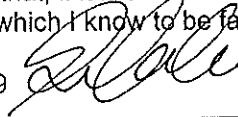
Statement of: Richard Coles

Age if under 18: Over 18

Occupation: Police Sergeant 3399

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Date: 15th November 2016

I am a Police Sergeant in the West Mercia Police, stationed at Shrewsbury. My current role is as the Police Sergeant with specific responsibility for Shrewsbury town centre.

I very frequently encounter problems of human urination and defecation in the town centre.

In February 2016, a male urinated up the side of a shop window in Pride Hill. This was at 6pm when there were still plenty of shoppers in the locality. This male was able to be dealt with under public order legislation because he had made no attempt to conceal himself.

At the moment, I have a correspondent from Claremont Place who has CCTV cameras close to their dwelling. Most weekends, these cameras capture footage of persons urinating directly outside their house.

In August 2016, my officers were contacted by Mary Jones, assistant manager at Boots, Pride Hill. She reported that at 5.35pm, as staff were trying to lock up the store, there was a male urinating in their doorway. He left prior to Police arrival.

In terms of defecation, the two incidents that I can specifically recall from memory are as follows. During the summer of 2015, whilst on duty, I was called by staff at The Library to help with a group of rough sleepers who were at the rear of the premises. At the premises, I saw that there were 4 rough sleepers at the location. About ten yards away from where they were sleeping was human faeces. This had to be cleaned up by the library cleaner.

At about the same time, I conducted an Environmental Visual Audit, with partner agencies in the town centre. During the course of this audit, in Compasses Passage, were human faeces. Compasses Passage is a narrow public thoroughfare.

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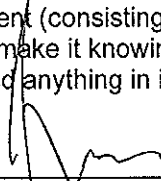
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Statement of: John SCIMIA

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Occupation: Police Officer

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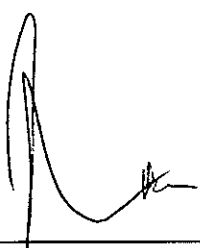
I am PC 3677 SCIMIA of West Mercia Police, currently based at Shrewsbury Town Centre. In early spring in 2016, I cannot recall exactly when, I was on patrol in the area of Old St Chads.

Whilst on patrol a member of the public informed me that there was a large faeces located near to the old church building on the side facing the row of shops. The member of public believed it to be human and told me how disgusted they were.

I located the faeces on the path to the side of the building. This was in an area that can be accessed by members of the public. This area is also near to an infant school and as such young children use this area.

I located a member of the Shrewsbury Parks and Gardens staff, who managed to clean up the faeces.



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