

IN THE CROWN COURT AT SOUTHAMPTON

Southampton Combined Court Centre
The Courts of Justice
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BEFORE:

**HIS HONOUR JUDGE WILLIAM MOUSLEY KC
THE HONORARY RECORDER OF SOUTHAMPTON**

BETWEEN:

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PROSECUTION

- and -

**VICKRUM DIGWA
KIRAN KAUR**

DEFENDANTS

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Witness Evidence of [Witness 8] (Read)

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A **Mr King:** The next statement to be read is that of [Witness 8] and Your Honour can find her statement at O18. She gives her age as over 18 and her occupation as a medical student. She makes a declaration of truth and signs and dates it 6 December 2025. She says:

B “My name is [Witness 8] and this is my statement about an incident which occurred outside my house when I heard a male state that he had been stabbed and saw three males following the stabbing.

C In this statement I will be mentioning the following people. Grey Hoodie Man. He seems to be the man in charge of Male 2 and Male 3. I will refer to him as Grey Hoodie Man. Male 2, a male who was in black and was with Grey Hoodie Man and Male 3 at the time of the incident. He will be referred to as Male 2. Male 3, an associate of Grey Hoodie Man and Male 2. He will be referred to as Male 3. Old Man, occupant of the house where the tent was. He will be referred to as Old Man. [Witness 9], [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. Housemates who I have lived with since September 2025. [REDACTED] friend, [REDACTED], who had spent the night at my house. He does not live with us normally.

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At the time of the incident I was in my bedroom which is on the first floor of an address on Belmont Road. Both my bedroom and the spare room are facing Belmont Road. My house is a detached house with a living garden at the front. The incident happened in front of the house on Belmont Road. Two cars parked in the driveway of this house at the time of the incident. Visibility was quite clear as there was a street lighting in the road.

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G On Wednesday 3 December 2025 I had spent the evening with my boyfriend [REDACTED]. We went to bed at about 7pm or watched TV. We had not had anything to drink. Having fallen asleep at about 10pm, I was woken up to lots of noise. Arguments at the front of the house. I checked the time and texted the house group chat. Arguments often happen at night so I did not think anything about it. My boyfriend was not interested and just wanted to sleep.

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After about five minutes I sat up in bed and continued listening to the shouting as it was getting more aggressive. The volume was nine out of ten, very loud at this point, and there was a lot of shouting over each other. I then heard someone shout, 'you are not getting away from this, big man'. Followed by, 'I have just been fucking stabbed.' Someone shouted, 'I will call the police, I will call the police.'

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I leapt out of bed at this point. [Witness 9] put on the group chat that he would also call the police. Someone also shouted, 'they are all fucking brown' but I can't recall if this was before or after the man who said 'I have just been stabbed.' I then joined [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in the spare room who were also observing what was going.

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I looked out of the window and Grey Hoodie Man was knocking on the door with two men, Male 2 and Male 3, next to him at the house where the tent was. Grey Hoodie Man was knocking for quite a long time. The three men were also walking around the driveway and along a little bit of road just in front of the house looking [they,] like they were worrying and confused. None of the three looked like they were in pain as if they had been stabbed.

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After a few minutes, but it seemed like a long time, the door opened and an old man answered. He stayed in the doorway. The Grey Hoodie Man was talking to him. I could not hear what he was saying. They were both looking and gesturing to the floor just outside his front door.

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I did not see the body at this time. It did not seem like there was a body on the floor by the way the three men and the old man were acting. I cannot remember what happened to Male 2 and Male 3 at this point. The old man and Grey Hooded Man were chatting for about five minutes.

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A police car went straight past the house and then came back. A couple of officers went over to the Grey Hooded Man and the old man. A few more police cars came. At this point another car pulled up, a black car, and a man in a suit got out. He knocked at the door on the right of the house with the tent as you look out of my window. He looked through the post box. A woman

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answered the door. I think he gave her something or put something through the post box and got in his car and left. It was a black estate type car and he was the only occupant in the car.

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The rest of my housemates, [Witness 9] who has given a statement, Ayana, and George also joined us in the spare room at some point. Black Hooded Man, Male 2 and 3 were about 25 metres away, no more than the distance to the end of my garden and back.

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More police cars turned up together with an ambulance. I also heard a helicopter. A woman started wailing outside. The police and the ambulance were running around doing things. Emergency services kept bringing things over to a spot in front of the house which was blocked by a car. I also heard words like CPR. I therefore began to realise that there was a body in front of the house, which surprised me, because Grey Hooded Man, Male 2, and Male 3 didn't seem to be helping him in any way following the argument other than knocking on the door.

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The man with the grey hood was young, 20 to 30 years in age, dark brown or black hair, reasonably built, big blokes. He had some short facial hair, I think he was white. Male 2 wearing black, I cannot remember any features. Male 3, I cannot remember anything about him. All three males had a laddish swagger.

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Old man, he looked tall, white grey hair, he looked confused and stressed. There was a light on in his house, he had a bit of short facial hair, I can't remember his clothing. The suited man was wearing a suit, white shirt, black trousers, black blazer, he had brown hair, he was late 30s, early 40s, an average build. Didn't see what he was carrying, it must have been small."

And that's her statement.

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