



## STATEMENT OF POLICE

<b>In the matter of:</b>	The Kings School
<b>Place:</b>	Castle Hill Police Station
<b>Date:</b>	17 September 2014

<b>Name:</b>	Robert PATERSON	<b>Tel. No:</b>	96805376
<b>Rank:</b>	Senior Constable		
<b>Station/Unit:</b>	The Hills		

### STATES:

1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence that I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in court as a witness. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I will be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything that I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.
2. I am 44 years of age.
3. On Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of August, 2013, I was working as Youth Liaison Officer at Castle Hill Police Station. At about 4pm I received a telephone call from Dr Andrew PARRY, who I know to be the Deputy Headmaster at The Kings School, North Parramatta. I provide assistance and advice to schools in The Hills Local Area Command, and Dr PARRY was requesting advice.
4. Dr PARRY described an incident which had occurred on a school camp whereby a young person had allegedly pretended to masturbate in a tent, towards another student. The young person, not named, had then allegedly used condensed milk to simulate the act of ejaculation.
5. Dr PARRY was requesting advice in relation to whether a criminal offence had been committed. I explained that there was clearly an offence and I would put together an email clearly describing what the offence may have been, based on the basic description. I explained that police do not provide legal advice, however I could assist in determining the offence.

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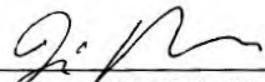


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6. I then said to Dr PARRY – “ Would you like me to organise a car crew to attend the school so they can investigate the matter?”
7. Dr PARRY said words to the effect of - “ I will get back to you “. I believed that he needed to discuss the matter with other staff.
8. I then located some information on the police intranet describing an ‘Assault with an Act of Indeceny’ , which I believed the incident may have involved. I sent this information to Dr PARRY via email (see Attachment 1). I also explained in the email that the matter should be reported so as “ to avoid any possible action under S316 of the Crimes Act under Conceal Serious Indictable Offence, and potentially avoid civil action”. I wanted to make it clear that school action would not be sufficient in this case.
9. I left my personal mobile phone number for Dr PARRY, which I would not normally do, as I wanted to ensure that I could be contacted for further advice. Dr PARRY replied to the email at 5:44pm stating- “Thank-you very much for this. I shall be in touch and this information is very helpful for us to arrive at an appropriate judgement on the boys actions”. I did not hear back from Dr PARRY, and I was unsure if it was reported to investigators.
10. On Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2014, I received another phone call from Dr PARRY . Dr PARRY explained that there had been an incident about a week earlier relating to a boarding student allegedly threatening another student in a boarding house, with a knife. I asked for details of the incident, however Dr PARRY stated that it was unclear what had actually taken place. Dr PARRY was asking if the matter needed to be reported by the school.
11. I stated that “ it should have been reported at the time by the boarding house master”. Dr PARRY explained that it took place late at night and the school did not become aware of it until later. I told Dr PARRY that the victim could report the matter to police or that I could ‘organise a car crew to attend the school now”. Dr PARRY did not request a car crew at the time as he explained that he did not have full details of the incident as there were not many , if any witnesses. I also told him that I could create a report so that it could be investigated by police if required, or if further information was discovered. I took basic details (such as the victim and

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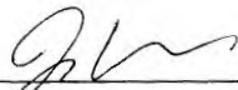
  
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young person's names) and included them in Event # E 5543 5607. I did this over the phone, so that there was a record of the matter.

12. I then sent an email to Dr PARRY with the event number so that further details could be given when required, or to pass on to the victim and his parents. This email (Attachment 2) read as follows- "Please feel free to pass on my name (or Jason's) to the victim's parents if required. We would be happy to explain any processes of reporting and follow up by police". 'Jason' is the School Liaison Officer, Senior Constable Jason ROUGHLEY, who the school normally liaises with in relation to incidents ( S/Cst ROUGHLEY on both occasions was not on shift).
13. I received a reply from Dr PARRY stating- "Thank-you very much for your valuable advice and support. The boy had been asked to leave the grounds prior to us knowing the extent of this incident ". I did not have any further communication with Dr PARRY in relation to this incident, however made a follow up call with the parents of the victim and left a message to contact police if required.

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