

On behalf of Manchester City Council

Witness: F Sharkey

Date. 6. 11. 2020

"FS1" to "FS4"

IN THE MATTER OF THE INQUIRY ARISING FROM THE 22 DEATHS IN THE
MANCHESTER ARENA BOMBING

BEFORE HON. SIR JOHN SAUNDERS

FIRST WITNESS STATEMENT OF FIONA SHARKEY

I, Fiona Sharkey, say as follows:

- 1 I am an employee of Manchester City Council, Town Hall, Manchester M60 2LA
2. I provide this witness statement on behalf of Manchester City Council at the request of the Chairman for the Manchester Arena Inquiry, Hon. Sir John Saunders.
3. I am employed by Manchester City Council as Head of Compliance, Enforcement and Community Safety. I have overall responsibility for the Council's environmental compliance and enforcement functions including the statutory Environmental Health and Trading Standards functions and I provide leadership and supervision of the Council's Statutory Community Safety function. I have held this position since January 2016 but I have been employed in a variety of roles with Manchester City Council since August 1987
- 4 I make this witness statement from the facts and matters within my own knowledge. Where I refer to facts and matters outside my own knowledge, I identify the source of those facts and matters
- 5 The structure of the Council's enforcement section is set out in the attached document and I refer to the structure document as "FS1" [INQ038588]
- 6 The team in the council responsible for carrying out compliance and enforcement activities under the Licensing Act 2003 (LA2003) is the Licensing and Out of Hours Team (LOOH). This service is split into two teams: one to primarily cover the city centre and the other to cover the rest of the city