

**RESTRICTION ORDER:
IDENTIFICATION OF THE TRIAL WITNESSES**

**RESTRICTION ORDER PURSUANT TO SECTION 19 OF THE INQUIRIES ACT
2005**

This Restriction Order is made pursuant to section 19(1)(b) and 19(2)(b) of the Inquiries Act 2005 ("the Act"), read with section 19(3) of the Act.

Any breach of this Order, failure to comply with it or threat to do so, can be certified to the High Court or Court of Session under section 36 of the Act, and the Court will deal with it as though the breach had occurred in proceedings before that Court.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. This Order applies to all evidence given in the course of the Inquiry's proceedings, including evidence which is published on the Inquiry's website, insofar as such parts give rise to information relating to the identities of Trial Witness 1, Trial Witness 2, Trial Witness 3 and Trial Witness 4 ("the Trial Witnesses"). It will also apply to all evidence given by relatives of the Trial Witnesses, including Relative A, Relative B and Relative C ("the Relatives").
2. The identities of the Trial Witnesses and the Relatives are recorded in INQ035366 which is available to Core Participants. Pursuant, to paragraph 4 of this Order, that document and any information capable of identifying the Trial Witnesses shall not be published by the Inquiry.
3. Reference to information which is capable of leading to the identification of the identity of a person includes, but is not limited to, the witness's name, the witness's address, the identity of the educational establishment attended by the witness, the identity of the witness's place of work, any still or moving image of the witness and information that may tend to identify family members.

Restriction

4. There shall be no reporting or publication whatsoever of any information capable of leading to the identification of the Trial Witnesses. Particular provisions relevant to this restriction include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - a. There shall be no reporting or publication of any information provided in the course of any oral witness evidence during the Inquiry's hearings which is capable of leading to the identification of the identity of the Trial Witnesses.
 - b. There shall be no publicly available livestream (whether delayed or otherwise) on YouTube of any oral witness evidence which is given by the Trial Witnesses or the Relatives.
 - c. A livestream of the evidence of the Trial Witnesses and the Relatives shall be available in the hearing annexes at the Magistrates' Court, the family and media viewing centres and, for Core Participants, via the Bluejeans video-link platform. None of the evidence given by or about the Trial Witnesses and the Relatives that is heard in these locations or on Bluejeans shall be reported or made public if it tends to identify the Trial Witnesses.
 - d. There shall be made available a transcript of the Trial Witnesses and the Relatives' live evidence which will be redacted prior to release to the press and the public to remove any information which is capable of leading to the identification of the Trial Witnesses ("the Redacted Transcript").
 - e. Materials adduced in evidence during the Inquiry's oral hearings which are capable of identifying the Trial Witnesses shall be redacted to remove any such identifying information before they are published on the Inquiry's website.

Formalities

5. This order is made on 3 December 2020 and remains in force indefinitely.
6. The Chairman may vary or revoke this Order by making a further order at any point.

7. Any breach of this Order by any means whatsoever shall be notified in writing to the Solicitor to the Inquiry (“STI”) immediately upon identification.

PENAL NOTICE

8. The High Court and the Court of Session have the power to imprison or fine for any breach of this Order.

Sir John Saunders
Chairman, Manchester Arena Inquiry

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