

## Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

## Statement of Caitlin Healey-Nash 2 February 2023

This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence that I would be prepared, if necessary to give to the Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes ("the Inquiry") as a witness. This statement has been prepared from my own knowledge and also from perusing the records of the Inquiry. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

- 1. My name is Caitlin Clare Healey-Nash. My address is known to the Inquiry.
- 2. I am employed as a Senior Solicitor by the Inquiry.
- 3. In the course of my duties, I have reviewed and conducted inquiries in relation to the death of Andrew Currie, who died on 12 or 13 December 1988 at Nolan Reserve, North Manly.

## Inquiry made with Sue Thompson concerning Nolan Reserve

4. On 8 September 2022, an email inquiry was made to Ms Thompson by counsel assisting the Inquiry, asking whether Ms Thompson had:

"any particular basis for knowledge or understanding that the particular location where Andrew Currie's body was found on 13 December 1988 was a known beat, this being a toilet block in Nolan Reserve, in North Manly."

5. On the same date, Ms Thompson provided a response by email indicating that, based on her experience and understanding of the extent and nature of beat use in the 1980s and 1990s, and the location of the relevant toilet block concerned:

"I can safely tell you it would have been a perfectly located beat that would with all certainty often operated as a beat."

6. On 9 September 2022, counsel assisting forwarded me a copy of this email correspondence.

## Information received from Graeme Currie

7. On 23 November 2022, I attended a meeting with Graeme Currie, brother of Andrew Currie. During that meeting, Graeme Currie advised that he had no particular knowledge of Andrew's sexuality. He believed Andrew to be straight, noting that there was no evidence to indicate otherwise.

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Signature: E. BLAMFIELD

Name: Caitlin Healey-Nash Witness Name: Elizabeth Blomfield