

To Whom it May Concern

Statement of Truth

My name is Clinton Lee DAVIES, born 16/07/74 and I am a Computer Engineer from Ludlow in Shropshire. I started working in this field in 1997 and have nearly twenty-two years of experience and expertise.

I have been tasked by Mrs Sian ROOKE-JENKINS, the licensee of the Ducker Public House in South Street, LEOMINSTER, to resolve any technical or operating issues with the CCTV system at these premises.

I can confirm that the CCTV system in the Ducker does work effectively, but until 9th January 2019 did not store images for 31 consecutive days. The reason for this is that the system had previously been a six-camera system recording onto a 2TB (tera-byte) hard drive. Apparently in August 2018 the licensee upgraded the system to incorporate two further HD quality cameras and thus provide additional security to their clientele.

Unfortunately, this upgrade caused the hard drive to be insufficiently large enough to record a full 31 days of images anymore. This would have given the CCTV system the appearance of functioning correctly as all the live feeds from the eight cameras would have been displayed on the system monitor, but until such time as you tried to retrieve images of over two or more weeks, only then you would then discover that the three-week-old footage had been overwritten on the hard drive.

I was made aware of this several weeks ago, and as a consequence advised the licensee to make a daily download of the system footage on a daily basis onto an external hard drive. We thought it was doing this but this system wasn't very clear and was only downloading 5 minutes of data daily which was insufficient. This system just wasn't very user friendly. The management however do have a full record of daily downloads from 26th December 2018 onwards which is on the old 2TB Hard Drive which has been stored away safely.

On Wednesday 9th January 2019 I visited the Ducker again and completed the upgrade needed to ensure that there is now sufficient capacity within the system to record 31 days of continuous footage before it begins to rewrite new images over those previously stored on the hard drive. I have fitted a 6TB hard drive. This I can guarantee will give a stored image history of approximately six to eight weeks of footage from the eight cameras.

I then found and inspected a quantity of flash drives held in stock behind the bar and adjacent to the CCTV system. These are fit and proper for the purposes of downloading any particular incident and handing that disc containing the required imagery to the Police or Council Officers should it be required on demand.

I have also inspected the written instructions stored with these flash drives, to members of staff, on how to search and harvest this imagery. These instructions are correct and easy to follow.

Lastly I requested that the Premises Licence Holder and her staff demonstrate their ability to utilise their CCTV system and search and harvest selected pieces of imagery from the CCTV system and place it on a flash drive. This they have been able to do competently.

In conclusion, I can state with confidence that the CCTV system at the Ducker is operating correctly and in accordance with their premises licence. I can also confirm that the staff are trained and equipped so that they can deliver the condition included within the terms of that premises licence.

This is a Statement of Truth.

Signed ..  ..

Clinton Lee Davies

Dated..... 11/01/2019