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EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL STATEMENT OF WITNESS

(C.J. Act 1967, s.9; M.C. Act 1980 ss5A(3)(a) and 5B, Criminal Procedure Rules 2012, Rule 27.2)

Name: Stephanie Tuohy
Age of Witness (if over 18 enter "over 18"): Over 18
Occupation: Issuing Assistant

This statement (consisting of pages each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Signed.....Signature witnessed By.....

Dated the 11th day of July 2022

I am the above named person and I am employed as a Issuing Assistant for the Blue Badge Team at East Sussex County Council. I have held this role since January 2017. My role involves processing new Blue Badge applications and renewal applications. This is for applications received online and by post. I am required to scan and upload documents supplied by clients to the clients record including all supporting documentation received in order to process the application.

On the 27th of April 2022 I opened a letter received by a client by the name of Riccardo Gresta. Within the envelope there was a letter of appeal from Mr Gresta wishing to appeal against his refusal to be issued with a blue badge. Also enclosed was a medical letter to support his appeal. The medical letter was headed – Department of Neurology, Hurstwood Park Hospital, Lewes Road, Haywards Heath and was from Independent Consultant Neurologist Angus Anderson.

As per my job role, I scanned and uploaded both the letter of appeal and the medical letter to the clients record. I then updated the clients record by adding " 27/4/22 Letter received from client stating he wishes to appeal the decision to refuse him a blue badge. He has sent in letter dated 19/4/22 from Independent Consultant Neurologist Angus Anderson. Acknowledgement Letter sent moved to appeal email to LD to advise I have moved to appeal st "

ST" are my initials. "LD" is the initials of Lynette Donnelly, Practice Manager of the Council's Blue Badge Service who makes the ultimate decision on whether to uphold or dismiss Blue Badge appeals.

I can exhibit a copy of my notes as exhibit (ST/01). I am willing to attend court to give evidence if required.

Signed:Signature witnessed by: