

IN THE MATTER OF THE INQUIRIES ACT 2005

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INQUIRY RULES 2006

THE ANTHONY GRAINGER INQUIRY

**GIST OF PARTS OF THE CLOSED HEARINGS [4]:
TERRY SWEENEY**

1. Mr Sweeney gave evidence to the Inquiry that at approximately 9.00am on 2.3.12 ACC Heywood informed him that the subjects had been seen putting a hacksaw into a vehicle and that had resonance with “the Preston robbery”. He said that ACC Heywood did not inform him where the vehicle was and that he, Mr Sweeney, had understood that this was sensitive intelligence.¹
2. Mr Sweeney gave evidence to the Inquiry that at approximately 8.40pm or 8.50pm on 2.3.12 Supt Granby informed him that he had received intelligence from DI Cousen that the subjects were planning to commit a robbery on 3.3.12 or 5.3.12.
3. This gist is not a summary of all of the closed evidence given by Mr Sweeney.
4. This gist has been seen by the NCA and GMP – each agrees that:
 - a. It is accurate and fair; and
 - b. The information contained within it can be disclosed to the Core Participants in the Inquiry and to the public.
5. The Chairman has yet to reach conclusions on what the written and oral evidence he received establishes. The purpose of this document is to give to Core Participants in general terms a gist of some of the evidence heard by the Inquiry in its Closed Hearings. The extent to which witnesses are able to answer questions posed by Core Participants in Open Hearings about this Gist is likely to be limited.

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¹ It is agreed that this was not sensitive intelligence and that Core Participants can ask questions of Mr Sweeney about it (save as to his understanding as to the provenance of it).

