



Samhain Case Interview 7

Interviewing Officer: Det. Sgt. Luke Duffy
Interviewee: Anthony Greene
Location: Garda Headquarters, interview room 14

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Det. Duffy: Tony Greene. Can you please start by telling me what you were doing on the evening of the 31st?

Greene: Of course. Myself and the wife went down to Gillis Park to the festival thing, suppose it was around 8 O'Clock. Place was jammed as expected. We grabbed a couple of masks they were handing out, a cat and dog, and went to get a good look at the fire.

Det. Duffy: Do you recall seeing Sinead Byrne there?

Greene: Yeh she was there, had a funny mask with feathers on it, and a long cloak kind of thing.

Det. Duffy: Did you see who she was talking to?

Greene: Well and my wife went over to say hi. Then I went to grab a quick something to eat at the food stalls and left the two girls to chat a bit more. To be honest I wasn't there all that long so I couldn't tell you who else she was talkin' to.

Det. Duffy: Do you recall what time you left the bonfire?

Greene: It was probably about half eight. I had to check on the shop. Last thing I need there is a bunch of little arseholes shooting fireworks in the window.

Det. Duffy: And after that?

Greene: Well after that I went straight home for an early night. Didn't feel up for heading back to the bonfire.

Det. Duffy: Are you sure you didn't stop anywhere?

Greene: No, straight home, I wouldn't be the one to hang about.

Det. Duffy: Right. And how has business been in your shop as of late, your wife mentioned some recent issues with shoplifting.

Greene: Not just shoplifting, but so called upstanding members of our community 'forgetting' to pay their monthly bill.

Det. Duffy: Can you expand on that?

Greene: Well Kilbride is a small place, Detective. I take pride in knowing every person who walks into my store, and if they happen to not have the money for their shopping at the time, I know they'll get it to me when they have it. Problem is, some of them have started to take advantage of this system, and not pay up at all.

Det. Duffy: I imagine that must be stressful for you.

Greene: You have no idea. The lights don't stay on in the store with good wishes alone.

Det. Duffy: Did Sinead Byrne have outstanding payments to make to the Little Gem?

Greene: Listen, I know she's had a time of it lately, but yeh, she's been running late on payments. I went to her a few times personally to talk to her about it, she kind of brushed it off, said she'd get round to it.

Det. Duffy: But she never did?

Greene: Nope. And look, when someone runs up a tab, it takes a strain on me. I'm the one juggling bills while they're off lighting candles and talking to spirits. I've got no time for that.

Det. Duffy: Do you think Sinead was having financial troubles?

Greene: Financial troubles? She wouldn't know what real financial troubles are. Sure I heard her late husband had a cushy job up in the city, so what's she done with all that money? Doesn't add up.

Det. Duffy: You mentioned visiting Sinead in person on some some occasions. Was there more to those visits than talks about shop credit?

Greene: I'm a married man, Detective, and happily so.

Det. Duffy: And how was Sinead's relationship with your wife?

Greene: If I'm honest, Laura never thought much of her. Said Sinead thought too highly of herself, and maybe there's a bit of truth to that. But at the end of the day, she's just another customer to me.

Det. Duffy: Was Sinead in any kind of romantic relationship that you knew about? I'm sure nothing escapes the ears of the local shopkeep.

Greene: I've seen her chattin' and hangin' around with Colm Driscoll now and again. Nothing strange in that, mind you, everyones friendly with everyone for the most part. Still, Laura thought it looked....*friendly*.

Det. Duffy: I appreciate you talking to us today Mr. Greene. If anything else you feel might be relevant to our investigation comes to your mind, please reach out to me personally.

Greene: Yeh. Yeh of course I would.

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