

Samhain Case Interview 1

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

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Det. Duffy: For the record, please state your full name and occupation.

Greene: Laura Greene, Assistant Principal at Kilbride Elementary.

Det. Duffy: And your relationship to the deceased, Sinead Byrne?

Greene: She was a neighbour, lived a few doors down.

Det. Duffy: Mrs Greene, can you tell me what you were doing on the evening of the 31st?

Greene: As I told your fellow officer already, I attended, begrudgingly, the bonfire festival with my husband at about eight. I stayed for about an hour, that kind of thing really isn't for me.

Det. Duffy: Can you expand on that?

Greene: Well, I have a great pride in this town and make an effort to support these annual events, even if the real Catholic history of Halloween has somewhat been replaced by all this pagan nonsense in recent times. Did you know Officer, that Halloween is nothing more than a hijacked holy day?

Det. Duffy: Can't say I've looked into that, but to stay on track here, you can confirm that your husband left the bonfire some time between 9:00 and 9:30?

Greene: Well I did yes. My husband left before that, maybe 8:30. He's been a bit stressed about all the goings on with his shop lately, and went to double check it was all locked up. You know what it's like on Halloween, hoodlums using it as an excuse to mask up and cause problems.

Det. Duffy: And do you recall seeing him again that night?

Greene: I was home and asleep before 11, so sometime after that.

Det. Duffy: Does it always take your husband that long to double check the shops locked. up?

Greene: Detective, my husband has been under quite a bit of stress lately. If all the residents of this village were as diligent as I am in paying up outstanding shop credits, then maybe he wouldn't be spending so much of his time going over the books and worrying about petty thieves and shoplifters.

Det. Duffy: When you left the bonfire, between 9 and half 9 I believe you said, was there somewhere else you went?

Greene: I went straight home, Detective, and I hope you aren't insinuating what it sounds like you are.

Det. Duffy: I assure you this is a very much a normal part of interview procedure. Can you tell me a bit more about Sinead, would it be fair to say you didn't always see eye to eye?

Greene: Well now you've lost me altogether.

Det. Duffy: It is a routine in a murder investigation to check the voicemail on the victims phone, and the only messages sent to Sinead in the last 30 days came from you.

Greene: Well that was an outburst I'm not proud of Detective.

Det. Duffy: On both October 5th and 6th you left long voicemails threatening Sinead, accusing her of being overtly flirtatious with your husband, Tony.

Greene: Well if you knew her you'd know she got a kick off riling up the men in this village, and I'll be damned if she thinks she can come in here making some sort of show out of my marriage.

Det. Duffy: Did Sinead ever respond to these accusations?

Greene: She did, and of course she denied any such thing. And I let it go. So long as she stays out of that shop then I have no reason to pursue it further. But to hint even for a second that that means I had something to do with the girls murder is absolutely ridiculous.

Det. Duffy: We have reports of you being seen snooping around the victims home, but a few days ago. What would you say to that?

Greene: Detective, as founding member of the Keeping Kilbride Safe, I would say it is my job to snoop wherever I very well please. Maybe if we had snooped some more this kind of horror wouldn't have occurred at all.

Det. Duffy: Just one more question if you don't mind Mrs. Greene. Can you tell me what masks yourself and your husband wore at the Bonfire Festival?

Greene: I think I'm done here today. And unless you plan on puttin' me in handcuffs for trying to keep this town safe, then I must get back to work.

Det. Duffy: Very well. Thank you for your time, and we will be in touch if we have any further questions.

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