

WITNESS STATEMENT

Criminal Procedure Rules, r 27.2: Criminal Justice Act 1967, s.9: Magistrates' Court Act 1980, s.5B

Statement of Kelly JAMES IO 15122..... URN: [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

Age if under 18 Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Immigration Officer .....

This statement (consisting of: .... 2..... 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 anything in it which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

Signature: K JAMES..... Date: 02nd DECEMBER 2019.....

Tick if witness evidence is visually recorded [ ] (supply witness details on rear)

I am an Immigration Officer employed in the HOME OFFICE; IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT currently attached to the EAST MIDLANDS Arrest Team based at [ ]

[ ]. On THURSDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2019 I was in uniform on duty with IO HUCKVALE, IO BALL, IO SULJA, IO GUY-BROOKES and IO EVANS and Police Officers from LEICESTERSHIRE POLICE Officers were conducting a pre planned enforcement visit to GOLDEN CHOICE CHINESE, 17 WINDSOR STREET, MELTON MOWBRAY LE13 1BU. Entry was via 17(2) Warrant

..... Officers arrived at GOLDEN CHOICE CHINESE, 17 WINDSOR STREET, MELTON MOWBRAY LE13 1BU and IO JAMES executed the warrant to the owner of the premises. A sweep of the premises was conducted and 5 persons were encountered, the owner of the premises and 4 workers.....

The owner of the premises, Xia Ming WONG 12/06/80 was questioned by IO BALL as follows:.....

What is the name of the business?.....

Golden Choice Chinese, Cantonese & thai cuisine.....

What are the Companies House and VAT numbers of the business?.....

I have it I cant find it .....

What is your position here?.....

Manger .....

How long have you been working here?.....

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3 months been the manager .....

how many employees do you have ?.....

Two people the other are just friends and help out cleaning .....

have you completed employment checks?.....

No I'm not immigration I do my need to check. They showed me a ppt I took no copy I only had a glance I took know copies.....

do you your employees live with you ?.....

Yeah le13 1td, 10.....

how do you pay employees?.....

I don't pay them the boss pays them Jian Hong Xin. I contact them by mobile.....

Xia Ming WONG signed the officers notes to confirm his account to be true.....

4 further persons were encountered who do not have the right to work in the UK, the males were from Malaysia and China and were all Overstayers in the UK. One of the males admitted that he had showed the owner counterfeit documents and these were seized from the subjects home. The case was referred to the Home Office Civil Penalties Compliance Team and it has been indicated that they have been issued with a £30,000 fine in line with current Home Office policy for employing persons without the right to work in the UK. Two of the persons have since been removed from the UK and the other two have outstanding applications.....

Nothing further to report.....

Signature: K James ..... Signature witnessed by: .....