

# Sensitive/Irrelevant

I've been quite shocked about the whole thing, basically because he just seemed like a nice guy. He wasn't sinister, he wasn't creepy, he was just a bloke, a normal bloke. He was quite nice, he was very polite and friendly and chatty. If I'd felt in any risk I probably wouldn't have accepted a drink from him and again it was part of the reason why I didn't report it, because I felt like maybe I was making things up or maybe I was. I just thought well why would he do that? He didn't seem like the type to do that.

I have been asked why I have now reported the incident to police. I saw a news article in the media about Stephen and also because I knew Anthony WALGATE who was reported to be a victim. It was a coincidence that I knew Anthony as he used to live nearby in a halls of residence and knew him before these events that took place. I'd heard that he'd died, however I can't say we were on the best of terms. I was a bit shocked but I can't say I was concerned in all honesty. It wasn't until a couple of months ago that I saw Anthony's name on a news site and I clicked on the story. I then learned that Stephen had been arrested for four murders and that Anthony was one of the victims. That shocked me a lot because I saw that it was Stephen who had been accused and because of what had happened to me, because it was so similar to what had happened to them it, it really frightened me. Because of this, I felt like I had to say something in case I was the only person who he'd done it to who was still alive.

I have been asked whether I had informed anyone else about what had happened to me and other than Name Redacted and the NHS number I called at the time, I have also told informed my psychotherapist, a male named Name Redacted.

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