

Pre-charge decision request (CM01)

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Pre-charge decision request			Sent to CPS: Yes
Case file	05B36975219	Key	
Title	PCDR **youth ***HIGH RISK GAP SST RUDAKUBANA	Request type	Pre-charge decision (PCDR)
Author	#L053418 EVANS, REBECCA	Report time	11/12/2019 17:27
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Supervisor
comments

The Officer in Case is 6359
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I have reviewed this matter and have applied the FCT as per the DGC 8th Ed.

All key evidence is available and all reasonable lines of enquiry are complete. Any additional enquiries will not alter the charging decision/case presentation and the suspect will be bailed if charged.

I am treating this matter as GAP (SST) based on the suspect's account in interview.

The charges under consideration is S139A POBA on school premises X 1 CJ88145, Poss Offensive Weapon PC53001, Assault by beating CJ88116 and as such is a CPS charging decision.

The facts are as outlined in the summary.

Evidential

Case analysis;

In October 2019 suspect RUDAKABAN was permanently excluded as he attended school with a knife and expressed his intention to use it. This matter was not reported to police.

RUDAKABAN now attends The ACORN CENTRE, RUFF LANE, ORMSKIRK, L39. Approximately 2 weeks ago the school raised concerns with social services about content RUDAKABAN had been searching on school computers. This involved mass school shootings and beheadings.

Today the suspect has climbed into school premises carrying a rucksack in which he had packed a kitchen knife and a hockey stick, see exhibits LD01A LD02SA and LD02B. On entering the school he has been challenged by a teacher at which point he has attacked another child with the hockey stick causing him minor injuries. He is restrained by staff and discloses he has a knife in his bag. His rucksack is searched and he is found in possession of a knife. He is detained and states he had been intending to attack another pupil who is not at school today. In interview he has given a prepared statement and admitted possession of the bat and the assault, he admits possession of the knife but he denies he intended to use it.

Strengths

Complaint made

Prosecution supported

Suspect found in possession of bladed article and hockey stick

Suspect admits intention to assault

No reasonable excuse given for weapons

Occured at school premises

witness

Knife and stick recovered

Suspect admits parts of offences

Weaknesses

No CCTV

Public Interest

A prosecution would have a significant positive impact on maintaining community confidence

I am satisfied that it is in the public interest to prosecute this case. I have taken into account the suspect's previous convictions which he has received which are relevant to the present offence.

Gravity Matrix Score – 4

Previous Offending History – Precons

Aggravating/Mitigating Factors (consider + or - 1 point only)(Hate Crime must +1 + school premises - child assaulted

Suspects (1)

Name	RUDAKUBANA, AXEL 07/08/2006	Address	10 OLD SCHOOL CLOSE, BANKS, UK PR9 8SB		
Gender	Male	Ethnicity	B1. Black Caribbean inc Black British		
Young offender	Yes	Bad character evidence	No	Dangerous offender	No
Advice required by	12/12/2019	Anticipated plea	Not stated	Remand status	Reported

Proposed charges (6)		AS number	19/0000/00/1342059N
Description	Possess article with blade / sharply pointed article on school premises (recordable), H8777, CJ88145, 008/27		
Offence address	RANGE HIGH SCHOOL, STAPLETON ROAD, FORMBY, UK L37 2YN		
Offence date	11/12/2019	CMS Id	
Description	Assault a person thereby occasioning them actual bodily harm (recordable), H479, OF61102, 008/06		
Offence address	RANGE HIGH SCHOOL, STAPLETON ROAD, FORMBY, UK L37 2YN		
Offence date	11/12/2019	CMS Id	
Description	Possess an offensive weapon in a public place (recordable), H486, PC53001, 008/11		
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Material (1)

Type	Statement	Date of item	Sent electronically	Yes
		12/12/2019		

Outline of circumstances (7)

Heading	PCDR RUDAKUBANA	Type	Summary of key evidence
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Details

This matter relates to an offence of possession of an offensive weapon, possession of a bladed article, assault.

The suspect in this matter is:
AXEL RUDAKABAN

The victim in this matter is:

[REDACTED] DPA

The witnesses in this matter are:

Michael McGARRY - Head Teacher

Tom DOLLY - Deputy Head

Stephen MARTIN - Teacher

[REDACTED] DPA - Mother of [REDACTED] DPA

The circumstances relating to this matter are as follows:

RUDAKABAN used to attend at RANGE HIGH SCHOOL, FORMBY. In October 2019 RUDAKABAN was permanently excluded as he attended school with a knife and expressed his intention to use it. This matter was not reported to police.

RUDAKABAN now attends The ACORN CENTRE, RUFF LANE, ORMSKIRK, L39. Approximately 2 weeks ago the school raised concerns with social services about content RUDAKABAN had been searching on school computers. This involved mass school shootings and beheadings.

On 11/12/2019 at approximately 0910 hrs, staff in the front office informed the deputy head DOLLY that RUDAKABAN had entered the school.

MICHAEL MCGARRY, the Head Teacher of the school, was conducting a year 9 assembly, his attention was drawn to the accused inside the school premises.

MCGARRY approached RUDAKABAN and repeatedly asked the accused to leave, and began asking why he was there. RUDAKABAN ignored MCGARRY and began to walk into the corridors of the school. RUDAKABAN then ran and produced a hockey stick from inside his coat, he ran towards a group of students who were now in the corridor. [REDACTED] DPA was a part of this group. RUDAKABAN swung the hockey stick above his head, and then towards the group, striking the aggrieved on his left arm and hand. MCGARRY restrained RUDAKABAN in a 'bear hug' and DOLLY removed the hockey stick from RUDAKABAN. RUDAKABAN was escorted to the head teachers office and police were called.

RUDAKABAN told MCGARRY that he was in attendance looking for another pupil, luckily that pupil was not at school. That pupil has been spoken to and has no knowledge as to why he would have been targeted.

At 0935 hours Constable DODD attended the school at which point RUDAKABAN stated there was a knife in his backpack. The officer searched the bag and located LD/02 - 1 X KITCHEN KNIFE. MCGARRY passed the officer exhibit LD/01 - 1 X HOCKEY STICK.

At 0945 hours Constable DODD cautioned and arrested RUDAKABAN on suspicion of

Section 47 assault , possession of a bladed article on a school premises and possession of an offensive weapon. There was no reply to caution

DPA was spoken to by CID supervision, she has discussed this incident with her Son **DPA** however he does not wish to assist the investigation. In light of this **DPA** has provided a hearsay statement outlining the facts told to her by her son.

Heading	PCDR RUDAKUBANA	Type	Defendant interview
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Details

ST ANNE STREET

Start: 16:37

End: 17:02

Ref: 744610

Legal Rep: Darren HOLT Broudie Jackson and Canter

AA: Mum

PROVIDED A PREPARED STATEMENT STATING HE WENT TO RANGE. ADMITS TO HITTING [REDACTED] WITH A BAT. ADMITS POSSESSION OF A KNIFE BUT DENIES HE WAS GOING TO USE IT.

Did you attend Range High School?

How long were you there?

When did you get expelled?

Explain why you were expelled?

"Bringing a knife in to school and expressing an intention to use it" Thomas DOLLY

Tell me what you said at that time about using the knife?

How did you feel about being expelled?

Angry towards any person?

Have you had thoughts about returning to the school?

If so, when did the thoughts start?

*****NEW SCHOOL

How are things going at the new school?

Like it?

Any issues?

Anything happened over the past 2 weeks?

What have you been researching online?

School said you've been researching mass shootings, is that correct?

Why?

Have you ever watched videos of mass shootings? How did that make you feel?

Researching Beheadings, is that correct?

Why?

Have you ever watched a video of a beheading? How did that make you feel?

How do you feel about guns?

Do you watch videos where guns are being used?

How do they make you feel?

Do you know anyone with access to guns?

Are you in contact with any people who have an interest in beheadings, mass shooting etc?

How in contact?

How do you feel about teachers or people in authority?

Do you have any thoughts to harm a teacher?

*****TODAY –

Had anything been going on in the run up to this morning?

This morning when you woke up what happened?

What was going through your mind?

Who was at home this morning?

Were you meant to be in school?

Why didn't you go to school?

Who does the hockey stick belong to?

Where did you get it from? When?

Who does the knife belong to?

Where did you get it from?

Who packed your rucksack?

Did you put the knife in your bag?

When you packed the knife what were you thinking?

Did you intend to use it?

On who?

When you took the hockey stick what were you thinking?

Did you know at that time you were going to use it?

Know who you were going to use it on?

What time did you make the decision to go to Range High School?

What was going through your mind when you decided to go to Range?

How did you get to Range?

Travel with any other person?

How were you feeling when you arrived at Range?

How did you get inside the grounds of the school?

How did you get inside the school building?

Who spoke to you?

What was said?

What teachers approached you?

Recall what they were saying?

Did they ask you to leave?

Recall them telling you to stop and not go any further?

Why didn't you stop?

How were you feeling at this point?

What was going through your mind?

Where was the rucksack at this point?

Where was the hockey stick?

Why did you conceal the hockey stick in your coat?

Teacher described how you ignored their request and at one point you ran

Why did you run?

Where were you running to?

What could you see?

**Know a male called

How did you get on with

Any problems between you both?

Tell me what happened when you saw in the corridor?

Did you strike with the hockey stick?

How many times?

How were you holding the hockey stick?

Recall where on [DPA]'s body you struck him?

Did you say anything?

Did [DPA] say anything?

What did [DPA] do?

Did he put up his arm to defend himself?

Why did you assault [DPA]

*****IMAGES

Hockey stick - Whose is it? Where come from? How did you come to have it in your coat?

Knife – Whose is it? Where come from? How did this come to be in your rucksack?

Injuries – [DPA] arm. Reddening. Did you cause that injury?

How do you feel now about what happened?

Do you regret it?

Heading	PCDR RUDAKUBANA	Type	Injuries
Details	Reddening and small cut to upper left arm.		
	Swollen finger - Been to hospital overnight and Mum states we can have access to his medical records if need be. No fractures just swelling.		
Heading	PCDR RUDAKUBANA	Type	Visually recorded evidence

<p>Details</p>	<p>CCTV from RANGE HIGH - Unavailable for a couple of days, however recorded on DEMS</p> <p>Pictures of hockey stick and knife on the file.</p> <p>DEMS CCTV -</p> <p>Shows IC3 male in yellow coat run towards a group of students, swings the bat several times towards the group before being restrained ny the head teacher. Another teacher assists in removing the bat from the suspect.</p>		
<p>Heading</p>	<p>PCDR RUDAKUBANA</p>	<p>Type</p>	<p>Sensitive information</p>
<p>Details</p>	<p>****STRENGTHS</p> <p>DOLLY Thomas of good character, [DPA]</p> <p>McGARRY Michael of good character, [DPA]</p> <p>MARTIN Stephen of good character, [DPA]</p> <p>[DPA] of good character, [DPA]</p> <p>All witnesses personally know RUDAKUBANA, no ID issues</p> <p>Arrested at the offence location?</p> <p>Found in possession of a hockey stick and knife</p> <p>Images of injuries to [DPA] arm.</p> <p>Admits to being at school and hitting [DPA] 2 - 3 times.</p> <p>Admits to being in possession of a knife but has no intention to use it.</p> <p>****WEAKNESSES</p> <p>[DPA] [DPA] does not wish to assist the investigation (ABE / special measures explained).</p> <p>RUDAKUBANA Axel, is of good character, no trace PNC.</p>		
<p>Heading</p>	<p>PCDR RUDAKUBANA</p>	<p>Type</p>	<p>Outstanding work</p>
<p>Details</p>	<p>Mobile phone to be downloaded</p> <p>Original CCTV from the school to be obtained</p> <p>MG11 from Ashley Martindale - The Acorns Centre (Log 0223 11/12/19).</p>		
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Details

Paul Harrison is a police officer working in Lancashire, he works on a team that tries to divert young persons in the community.

Axel has previously lived in Southport and has previously attended Range High School, however was expelled after being found in possession of a knife. Due to Axel's behaviour he was then placed in Acorns School, Ormskirk which is a special school.

Axel's school have recently referred him to Social Services within the last 2 weeks, this was due to Axel accessing websites in school and researching mass shootings, fixation with beheadings, guns and a dislike for teachers. Following this referral the Child Early Action team are now involved. This information also went to the PREVENT team in Burnley * a meeting was due to take place at Axel's school on Friday. Axel's parents are British Rwandan Nationals and have previously fled from Rwanda, they have been informed of this information however the Father is in denial and is under the opinion that the school are exaggerating things.

Signatures

Officer	#053120 MURPHY, P.	Sign time	12/12/2019 17:21
Supervisor	#0546980 KELLY, L.	Sign time	12/12/2019 17:54