



SHERWOOD

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HANNAH

When he wasn't off his face on
opium or having orgies in the
Garden Room.

THOMAS

What do you make of all this, then?
This morning, driving up the long
drive through those woods...
(shivers)
... I dunno. Do you think people
will still come, today?

HANNAH

Course. Anyway they arrested
someone, didn't they, life goes on.

She leaves. We rest on Thomas. Staring up at Lord Byron. A
sense of unplaceable foreboding...

6 **EXT. NEWSTEAD ABBEY. ENTRANCE - MORNING 7. 0806** 6

Hannah places down a sandwich board, advertising:

"Wellness Day - all welcome".

She smiles at the sight of PEACOCKS with their exotic plumes
wandering the lawn outside, before returning inside...

... as we track across to see one sleeping Peacock. Not
asleep at all. An arrow, protruding from its corpse.

FRONT TITLES.

Sherwood.

7 **INT. NOTTINGHAM POLICE STATION. MEDIA ROOM - DAY 7. 0830** 7

The **MEDIA ROOM** full of local broadcast media and journalists,
getting seated in anticipation.

Through the iris of a camera lens: we focus and refocus on an
empty chair behind a desk.

8 **INT. NOTTINGHAM POLICE STATION. STAIRWELL - DAY 7. 0832** 8

A PRESS LIAISON OFFICER is briefing a nervous Cathy.

Away from this, Ian watches, going through his own 'lines',
he's written on a card. Kevin watches *him*, sipping coffee.

KEVIN

Done much TV stuff before?

IAN
(privately offended, but)
... Yes. Over the years.

KEVIN
I don't know about you, but I
always just speak to one person.
Not the whole room, don't think of
all the people at home, just one -

IAN
I'm thinking of the most effective
way to bring Scott Rowley into
custody, not about how good I might
look on the tele.

KEVIN
That... ok, wasn't what I was
saying, but...

He trails off, letting it go.

9 **INT. NOTTINGHAM POLICE STATION. MEDIA ROOM - DAY 7. 0845** 9

Ian at a desk in full swing - he's been joined by the CHIEF
CONSTABLE for this. *Top brass.*

Scott's face is projected behind him.

IAN
The man we wish to speak urgently
to is Scott Rowley, 24 years old.

Flash, flash, snap, snap, jumping forward to --

A map projected / hard copies handed out.

IAN (CONT'D)
We believe that Mr. Rowley may be
residing in the woods around
Annesley, Newstead and Hucknall.

Pens take note on pads, or fingers tap laptops, jumping to --

10 **EXT. DUAL CARRIAGEWAY / FOREST - DAY 7. 0846** 10

A line of OFFICERS head through the fields towards the woods.

ELSEWHERE:

An ARMED RESPONSE UNIT marches towards the trees, weapons in
hand.

All this feels like a significant escalation...

IAN (V.O.)

He may be mobile, and our officers
are searching multiple areas, based
on our own intelligence...

11 **EXT. KIRKBY TOWN CENTRE. HIGH STREET - DAY 7. 0848** 11

PC DOVE puts "**Wanted**" signs next to the "**Local Elections**"
posters, displaying Scott's image, and handing them out to
the public in the street with PC PATEL.

IAN (V.O.)

... and sightings from the public.

Headmistress JENNY HARRIS takes one as she passes, looking at
the image of Scott with unease.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER (V.O.)

And on that, we do however want to
stress that the public should not
approach Scott if they see him. But
call 999 instead.

12 **INT. NOTTINGHAM POLICE STATION. MEDIA ROOM - DAY 7. 0850** 12

IAN

We'd now like to invite -

He gestures to -- Cathy Rowley. Here alone. And terrified.

IAN (CONT'D)

Catheri- Cathy Rowley. Who is the
Step-Mother of Scott and would like
to make an appeal to him directly.

13A **INT. THE ROWLEY HOUSE / POLICE MEDIA ROOM - DAY 7. 0852** 13A

We intercut between the **MEDIA ROOM** where Cathy makes her
appeal to camera, and the homes where it's being watched.

CATHY

(reading from her notes)
Scott.

At the **ROWLEY HOME**: Fred Rowley - clearly having decided not
to be there with his wife - watches, alone...

CATHY (ON SCREEN) (CONT'D)

I feel so silly, being the one,
here. Silly's the wrong word,
looking at it now. 'Presumptuous'?
Speaking to you. If you're
listening. I know I'm... that I'm
only your Step-mother...

13B **INT. THE JACKSON HOUSE / POLICE MEDIA ROOM - DAY 7. 0854** 13B

And at the **JACKSON HOUSE**: where we find Julie, watching intently, at the image of her *sister*, on screen...

Distanced for years, but somehow symbiotically linked.

CATHY (ON SCREEN)

But I feel like we could always talk, me and you, and ...

(struggling, a little)

And even though I feel split in two, between what has happened to my old family, and what is happening now, to my 'new' one...

13C **INT. THE SPARROW HOUSE / POLICE MEDIA ROOM - DAY 7. 0856** 13C

Daphne sat at the **SPARROW FARM**, listening in on the radio.

CATHY (ON RADIO)

I want you to know the best thing to do, is hand yourself in. And if you do, everything will be better. I, I know you're upset and confused, God I *know that*. But please, come in. For everyone.

14 **EXT. NEEL'S CAR IN MOTION / NEEL FISHER'S HOUSE - DAY 7. 0858**

Neel Fisher pulls his car up outside, yawning. Long drive.

15 **INT. ANDY FISHER'S HOUSE. LIVING ROOM - DAY 7. 0900** 15

A dark living room - curtain closed.

Andy on his sofa, having not slept, fists clenched and whimpering when he hears what has been inevitable all night but is now here, and happening. *His son returning home.*

He approaches the covered window to look, but can't, turning his back. Hand to mouth. Trying to calm. Breath catching.

O.S, the sound of a car door closing.

Andy gasps and shakes, the reality of his situation washing over him in waves. Breathes... breathes... breathes --

His doorbell.

Andy freezes. He hadn't expected that. Brain reeling.

16

I/E. ANDY FISHER'S HOUSE. DOORWAY - DAY 7. 0902

16

He opens the door. Neel smiles, holding up a plastic bag.

NEEL

Present. From darkest Manchester.

ANDY

O-...oh. Thank you.

His eyes glance briefly to the house next door - quiet.

NEEL

You look like shit. Sleeping?

ANDY

Just a bit under the weather. Asked
for a day off, just to...

Andy removes a foam computer mousepad from the bag, with a
black and white image of Victorian Manchester Piccadilly.

NEEL

Saw it in the station up there.
It's for your mouse, your computer.
You still have a mouse, don't you?

Andy nods, looking at the gift, trying to focus on something
happy-making, briefly.

ANDY

They knocked down this Victorian
frontage in the 60s, of course, for
the electrification of the line.
Shame in a way, but. There we are.

NEEL

Listen, don't worry about the other
night. The... 'thing'. That's...

Andy nods. Embarrassed. Neel starts to head off.

NEEL (CONT'D)

Come round for a cup of tea or
something, later, why don't yer.

Andy nods, watching as Neel approaches his own front door,
Andy closing his. Leaning back against it.

Waiting... waiting...

He wanders into his house, clutching his mouse mat. Deathly
quiet. He sits.

Waiting... waiting...

And then it comes. The scream. Next door.

Andy bursts into tears, growing in convulsive violence, as the screams keep coming.

He raises his hands to his mouth. And tries to focus. Calm. A glaze forming over him. This will take all he's got.

He can do this.

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18 **INT. NOTTINGHAM POLICE STATION - DAY 7. 0905** 18

Daphne Sparrow is here, waiting to collect Mickey and Rory. Ian tentatively approaches.

DAPHNE SPARROW

You know, round our neck of the woods, which happens to be your neck of the woods, when you wrongly accuse someone of something, you ask them for forgiveness.

IAN

We would like to express regret for any inconvenience caused, and thank you for helping with our inquiries.

And then, a touch awkwardly.

IAN (CONT'D)

Did Scott visit your archery range?

DAPHNE SPARROW

Sorry, am I being questioned without a solicitor -?

IAN

You're not being *questioned*, it's just a *question*. Did he learn from you lot to use a bow and all that? Did he buy his arrows from you?

DAPHNE SPARROW

(shrugs, deliberately)

My mind's gone an absolute blank, I'm sorry.

(then)

So that's it then; this lad's lost his marbles and you've gotta catch him; there's nowt more to it than that?

Ian returns her shrug back to her, as Cleaver escorts the Sparrow men towards her. Ian passing them -

RORY SPARROW

What's that song? 'Sorry seems to
be the hardest word'?

IAN

What's that you said the other day;
'there's plenty of things we could
send you down for'?

Rory nods. *Touche*. Mickey kisses his wife, and they head out.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER (PRE-LAP)

Right, level with me then, where
are we at?

19 **INT. NOTTINGHAM POLICE STATION. CID SPACE - DAY 7. 0915** 19

The Senior Investigation Team gathering at City HQ, the atypical photofit boards, and maps hung up on the wall.

Ian - Chief Constable Fraser - Cleaver - Taylor

And Kevin, of course. The outsider who senses the occasional eye on him but continues to be unfazed by all that.

IAN

We know Scott is armed with a
longbow, and a crossbow. And he has
about 15 grand in cash from his
dad's pit redundancy.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER

And so, what, he intends to scarper
with the cash? We're checking train
stations, airports -

DI TAYLOR

Yep -

IAN

- but whatever and wherever he
plans to go next, right now he's
staying close by, launching arrows
left, right and centre before
legging it back into the woods.

Ian pulls up some maps and aerial shots of the area - lots of clumps of woodland across the north of the county.

IAN (CONT'D)

Now I know these woods pretty well
myself -

DI TAYLOR

(teasing)

Ooh uh.

(off their look)

Sorry, just when men say they like going into the woods it conjures - ... absolutely nothing at all.

IAN

When I was growing up, Alison.

The Chief is perhaps watching Ian more curiously now, intrigued by his personal connections to this case.

IAN (CONT'D)

And they present some pretty ball-aching challenges. Helicopter thermal imaging is a nightmare, as every rabbit, fox, and bird lights up the camera like a rainbow. And Sherwood Forest also has an unusually thick canopy, apparently, so naked eye searching from the sky is tough. On foot, the problem is it isn't just one self-contained clump of woodland.

(at the map)

It's large clusters, linked together and broken up by different fields, farms and old pit villages.

20 **EXT. SHERWOOD FOREST / OPEN FIELDS / HILLS - DAY 7. 0917** 20

Scott darts across an area of open field, out of the woods.

IAN (V.O.)

Scott could easily pass from area to area to select a new target and be relatively hard to spot.

21 **INT. NOTTINGHAM POLICE STATION - DAY 7. 0918**

21

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER

So what the Hell is he up to? Did he just like, 'snap'? What do you have as his motivation for Jackson's murder?

IAN

Scott's father wasn't exactly on good terms with Gary. They were on opposite sides in the strike, but the family don't think Scott had any interest in all of that.

CLEAVER

They live close to one another, but
again, his parents reckon they
barely had any contact over the
years.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER

And these arrows he's firing
everywhere?

CLEAVER

The terminology is actually 'let
loose'. You don't 'fire' arrows,
there's no powder.

(off their look)

Just in terms of the media
language, our ballistics guy gets
very upset when you don't use the
right -

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER

Give a shit. What links these arrow
targets so far? Anything?

A board, with the targets so far - Andy Fisher and his train;
Chakrabarti, and his home.

Ian's eyes catch Kevin's across the room. An internal, weary
sigh... barely wanting to entertain this.

KEVIN

His solicitor, whose home Scott *let*
loose an arrow at yesterday, did
offer a - 'thought'.

All eyes in the room move to usurper Kevin, who sits forward.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER

You must be our "exchange student"
from down south.

KEVIN

D.I Kevin Salisbury. 'Sir'. Mr.
Chakrabarti told us that Gary had
been exploring this 'notion' about -

DI TAYLOR

(judgementally)

- about a 'spycop', Chief, from his
force. The MET used to deploy
covert police operat--

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER

I know what spycops are, thank you.

IAN

Gary was searching for one who he
thought had been placed inside the
village during the strike. Someone
who may have then stuck around, if
you can believe it, under his false
identity to this day.

A bewilderment in the room. The Chief rubs his eyes.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER
See this is why I already tried to
retire once.

DI TAYLOR
(as Al Pacino)
But "just when I thought I was out,
they pull me back in".

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER
What's that from, Jaws?

IAN
Why would it be from Jaws?

CLEAVER
No that's "just when you thought it
was safe to go ... back in the..."

KEVIN
It's the Godfather isn't it?

DI TAYLOR
It was the Godfather.
Exactly.

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IAN
We've had an analysis done of
Scott's computer. He was hacking
and tracking Gary's messages, along
with other locals, so he may have
cottoned on to this 'spy hunt'.

KEVIN
Maybe he thought Gary was about to
accuse his dad? I mean is Fred
Rowley that 'person'? An ex spycop?

CLEAVER
The dad? I wouldn't credit it -

IAN
We don't know.

DI TAYLOR
(at the 'targets')
Could the people he's shooting at
be potential candidates?

IAN
We don't know.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER
Well, at least we know what we
don't know.
(beat, then dryly)
Or don't we even know that?

A droll look from Ian towards his superior.

22 **INT. THE ROWLEY HOUSE. HALLWAY - DAY 7. 0921** 22

Cathy stands, facing the front door to the outside world, as though she has been there for several minutes, unable to leave the house. A bag for life scrunched in her hand.

From the kitchen table, Fred watches.

FRED

It's ok. People won't-... it's not our fault -

CATHY

It's your fault. All the *hate* in this *house*, towards... I knew. I always *knew* there was something...
(punching her own leg)
Stupid, *stupid*.

FRED

You should go see her. Explain.

CATHY

Explain?! I've sent a card. When she wants to see me, she'll see me, not that I imagine she'll ever want to again and I wouldn't blame her.

FRED

We can't be prisoners, in our own - ... We need milk.

Cathy turns, tossing the bag for life in his direction.

CATHY

You get it then! You get the milk!

23 **EXT. ASHFIELD STREETS / CARLISLE STREET - DAY 7. 0930** 23

Fred walks self-consciously through the streets.

Some other PASSERS-BY glance as he goes. He feels their eyes intently, as he passes the top of **THE JACKSON'S STREET**.

Glancing down, to where Gary was found.

24 **INT. NOTTINGHAM POLICE STATION. CID SPACE - DAY 7. 0932** 24

The Chief wandering through the space with Ian, privately.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER
Ian, two ticks.

He indicates a mix of SUITS and SPORTY-LOOKING people elsewhere in the room, waiting.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER (CONT'D)
I need you at this Safety Advisory Group. There's a Forest match, tonight.

IAN
SAG? Why, I'm in the middle of -

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER
Quick second.

25 **INT. NOTTINGHAM POLICE STATION. CID SPACE - DAY 7. 0934** 25

Kevin settling at a hot desk. The other Nottinghamshire Detectives offer no friendly chat.

He catches sight of some of their desk paraphernalia - photos of their family, little bits of memorabilia.

He places a lonely pad and pen down, and tries to log on.

DI TAYLOR
Tea, John? Ahmed? Tea?

No offer to Kevin. He brushes it off but it's getting to him.

26 **INT. NOTTINGHAM POLICE STATION. CID SPACE - DAY 7. 0935** 26

The 'SAG' conversation under way - attendees leaning forward to grab pastries, pour orange juice.

We have representatives from the AMBULANCE SERVICE, the FIRE BRIGADE. There is also the MATCHDAY SAFETY OFFICER from Nottingham Forest club, in branded attire.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER
So. Notts Forest are playing Barnsley for the midweek match at City Ground tonight -

CLEAVER
And they better bloody win too.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER
This is Bill; the Matchday Officer -

FOREST MATCHDAY OFFICER
Hi, and yeah, a Yorkshire team in Nottingham, can get a bit dicey but nothing our ground team don't handle a dozen times a year.

IAN
So, forgive me it's been a few years since I renewed my season ticket. Are you saying supporters still do 'that', at Forest matches?

FOREST MATCHDAY OFFICER
My counterpart at Barnsley says that they don't condone it and are actively trying to stop it, but...

27 **INSERT. ARCHIVE / NOTTINGHAM POLICE STATION - INTERCUT.** 27

Some footage of previous Forest v. Barnsley games may come here. The growing noise of the crowds. Two tribes...

FOREST MATCHDAY OFFICER (V.O.)
... there's still a tradition, built up over the years. When certain Yorkshire teams play Notts Forest a - chant, has, oftentimes, come from their fans over to ours...

The chant begins to arrive ... 'scab'. 'Scab'. 'Scab'

FOREST MATCHDAY OFFICER
'Scabs'. Yeah.

In the **STATION**: On Ian. Now concerned, and knows why he's now been invited along...

27A **INT. COACH IN MOTION - DAY 7. 0936** 27A

And / or we might cut to a **COACH** of BARNSELY FANS mixed with old NUM MEMBERS, travelling to Nottingham.

As they see a road sign for 'Nottingham' they begin...

COACH TRAVELLERS
Scab! Scab! Scab!

... Including two YOUNGER CHILDREN, copying their fathers.

IAN (V.O.)
Most of them'll be too bloody young to even know what it means, surely.

CLEAVER

We're picking up some stuff online - social media, forums. Some fans are planning to divert to Gary's village today. Sort of an on-the-hoof memorial service to their fallen comrade, this side of the border.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER

Look, ok. With passions extra high, I say we be extra vigilant.

FOREST MATCHDAY OFFICER

You can move it up a level from Category B to Category C, 'high risk'. But that means you have to bump up the number of officers. Cat C is 250 to 300 bobbies? It's an insurance thing, for us, you -

IAN

We're not diverting my officers away from the manhunt, are you kidding? Sir, you saw the area we're having to cover, this is an armed -

FOREST MATCHDAY OFFICER

Well ey up, it's Barnsley fans who are the problem, get Yorkshire coppers down here -

IAN

No, we can't - are-- is everyone aware what's happening here?

(then, calmer)

We, ok... we cannot have a neighbouring police force march into our county to help with a crisis caused in no small part by that same bloody thing happening years ago in the first place. Ok?

A moment in the room, as this is mentally toyed with.

CHIEF CONSTABLE FRASER

Well then we'll need some numbers from your manhunt, Ian.

(Ian thinks)

What choice do we have?

An unhappy Ian swallows his pride and parks his fears to nod.

Ian finds himself in this home again, facing Julie.

We might sense that, with each visit, he gets further 'in', or just more settled, being back in a place like this...

JULIE

Have you caught 'im?

IAN

Uh, no. Given the size of the area, I'm afraid this might take some.

(then)

I just wanted to-... Er, we think some of your husband's old NUM pals, north of the border... they might be paying the village a visit, today. Out of respect. Only -

JULIE

- you're worried they might not exactly be respectful. Right, well what do you want me to do about it?

IAN

Nothing, necessarily, I just wanted you to be aware.

JULIE

Alright. Well thank you. I'm aware.

Ian hovers. Unsure how to move onto to the next thing.

IAN

Also... this is a bit of an odd one. But did Gary ever talk about the meetings with his solicitor? We think he may have been looking for someone.

JULIE

Looking for someone?

IAN

Someone he thought had been a... like a cop here, in the 80s. Undercover. Someone who was linked to his wrongful arrest.

On Julie. Knocked by this.

JULIE

He... I mean he mentioned he was looking into a... but I didn't take him that seriously. Some 'spy' in the village, I was like 'come off it, daft apeth'.

IAN

He never mentioned a name?

JULIE

Is that - is this why you think he was killed?

IAN

No I - no. We're just following up every line of inquiry, That's all.

A moment. His phone rings and he answers.

IAN (CONT'D)

Yep, hi.

Then, the blood leaves his face.

IAN (CONT'D)

... No.

JULIE

Oh God, what is it now?

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I/E. NEEL FISHER'S HOUSE / GARDEN - DAY 7. 1005

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Neel's house is now a forensic crime scene.

Ian and Kevin enter, their mild dread evident even covered up in full protective gear. POV's flashing between the horror.

Sarah's body on the floor -

Blood across the carpet -

The weapon, a spade, being examined by a SOCO using an infra blue light. Meanwhile -

CSI MADISON

Sir.

Ian sighs at the sight of Sarah's body.

CSI MADISON (CONT'D)

It's - yeah.

(a moment)

The body was discovered by her husband, who's next door with his dad. Her name's Sarah -

IAN

Sarah Vincent. Yeah, I was -- at her wedding, at the weekend.

(to Kevin)

The wedding, again, I can't-...
(shakes his head)

CSI MADISON

Oh. I'm sorry.

Kevin studies his colleague with sympathy. *This is insane...*

IAN

I didn't *know* her, know her. My wife, Helen... a social worker, she does some - with the council...

(to Kevin)

Her father-in-law is Andy Fisher, the train -

KEVIN

Train driver. Ahuh.

CSI MADISON

Body's stiff, some of the blood around her has congealed. Looks like she was probably killed sometime yesterday afternoon to late evening but the PM will help narrow that down.

KEVIN

That spade's the murder weapon?

CSI MADISON

I'd say so. There's matching blood and hair stuck to it. Looks like the edge penetrated her skull with some force. No prints so far.

IAN

(looking around)

Signs of forced entry?

CSI MADISON

Actually no. None at all.

KEVIN

So she may have let them in?

IAN

Or they let themselves in.

KEVIN

So, there is a connection to Scott. She's the daughter-in-law of one of his other targets.

IAN

But this isn't an arrow attack.

KEVIN

Maybe he's has run out of arrows.
(but then seriously)

(MORE)

KEVIN (CONT'D)

Or, it's an entirely unrelated homicide.

Ian takes a moment - closing his eyes to get his head together. *This is all - literally - so close to home...*

IAN

A village like this. One homicide every blue moon, and you're telling me there's been two in a matter of days that are entirely unconnected?

Ian isn't buying it. And neither is Kevin.

31 **INT. THE JACKSON HOUSE - DAY 7. 1008**

31

A riled Julie is going through some of Gary's things - a box folder he has notepads, printed out news stories, photos in.

His research.

She flicks through a small notebook, lost in it all.

32 **I/E. ANDY FISHER'S GARDEN / NEEL'S GARDEN - DAY 7. 1010**

32

Ian and Kevin step over and through the small gap in the incomplete fence, to Andy's garden next door where Neel and Andy are, out of view of the crime scene and Sarah's body.

IAN

Andy. Neel. I'm so very sorry.

Neel shakes his head, unable to process it, weeping.

ANDY

Is it him? That same guy, who shot the arrow at me? Why, why would he?

Ian doesn't respond to this, focused on Neel.

IAN

I believe it was you who found her?
(Neel nods)
You weren't at home yesterday or last night?

NEEL

I've been away. Couple days. Left Wednesday night, come back today. Conference, in Manchester. I just walked in and... fucking...

ANDY

I heard Neel screaming, and -
(pointing)
This is me, I live next door.

Ian glances back at the gap in the fence, and then back at Andy's house here, and then back to Andy.

IAN
You came through there.

ANDY
Yeah.

IAN
You didn't hear anything yesterday afternoon, early evening?

ANDY
No, nothing. There was nothing.

IAN
Ok. I'm sorry, but we do have to keep asking these, Neel -

NEEL
I don't bloody care; just ask.

IAN
The spade, in the living room -

NEEL
Right, I've no clue where that came from, never seen it in my life.

KEVIN
It isn't yours?

NEEL
No. We're doing up the garden though, so it might be theirs.

IAN
It doesn't look like it's been used yet, brand new.

NEEL
Or she bought it herself, then. She was ordering this stuff online.

On Andy, having an internal moment, trying to stay calm.

KEVIN
So. It would've had to have arrived on Wednesday then; yesterday. If she'd had it delivered.

NEEL
I dunno. I spose. Why?

KEVIN
If she... forgive me, but if she unwittingly ordered her own...
(MORE)

KEVIN (CONT'D)
the weapon that... then that might
helpfully narrow the window a bit.

A glance from Ian, *finding that a little insensitive.*

IAN
Was the front door locked, when you
came home this morning?

NEEL
Erm. Yeah. She's...
(laughs, tragically)
She was proper security conscious,
she'd lock the front door even when
we were in.

IAN
And those back patio doors?

Neel thinks, trying to recall. Realising the strangeness of
this as he does.

NEEL
No, actually, they were unlocked.

On Andy...

KEVIN
So... someone could have left
through those back doors. But how
would they have got away then?
(at the gap in the fence)
Through the gap in the fence? But
then where would they have gone,
through your house, Andy?

ANDY
I-... no, I - they...
(shakes his head 'dunno')

IAN
Can we get the names of the
builders you've contracted?

NEEL
Uh, yeah. There's a card, on my -

Kevin hops off to where he pointed, inside -

NEEL'S HOUSE, next door.

On a side table he sees some business cards. And then...

... a "**Sorry You Were Out**" delivery card.

Kevin puts on some protective gloves.

ANDY'S HOUSE: Neel is now in full tears, comforted by Andy.

NEEL (CONT'D)

Seven days... less than seven days,
married, and...

IAN

Did either yourself or your wife
know Scott Rowley?

NEEL

I don't know who that is.

ANDY

It's the guy who killed that man,
Sunday. Gary. The one who bloody
well nearly got me with a... It's
got to be him, right?

NEEL

(thinking)

Yeah but I mean if... if anything,
this Gary was on opposite, like,
side. To Sarah's family. Her dad
used to bus working miners through
the striking pickets. They were his
coaches. So. They're not the same
at all. Like ... 'politically'.

(struggling with this)

You think her death was *political*?

On Ian, trying to absorb it all, knowing he might not enjoy
where this is leading. Kevin presents the delivery card.

KEVIN

This is dated yesterday. Missed
delivery. Could be the spade? 'Too
large to post'. It might have gone
to one of the neighbours maybe, who
then dropped it back round later.

(realising, to Andy)

Oh. Including you, I suppose. You
obviously didn't sign for it?

Andy shakes his head - internally, though, his mind doing
somersaults, *playing out the scenarios that could trace this
back to him...*

33

EXT. NEWSTEAD ABBEY. ENTRANCE - DAY 7. 1020

33

DI Taylor is with Hannah, looking at the dead bird.

HANNAH

I've no idea when, we only just
noticed it. Must have been in the
early hours. Poor thing. Sickening.

DI Taylor looks at the dense trees surrounding the grounds of
the Abbey - presumably where Scott came, and went...

34 OMITTED 34

35 **EXT. NEEL FISHER'S HOUSE. ROAD - DAY 7. 1030** 35

Kevin and Ian walk back to the car, Ian finishing up on the phone to (presumably) DI Taylor.

IAN
Right, thanks. I'll call you back.
(hangs up)
Another arrow. Newstead Abbey.

KEVIN
Anyone hurt?

IAN
A peacock.

KEVIN
A peacock?

IAN
Yeah, a peacock; feathers, beak.
(then)
Did you have to talk like that in front of them? 'She might have ordered her own murder weapon', come on.

KEVIN
You weren't interested to gauge their reaction?
(off his look)
I know it's brutal, but they're both suspects too. Prime suspects.

IAN
Yes, but there's ways, alright. And as the SIO, would you just -

KEVIN IAN (CONT'D)
Ok. I know. Alright. I know. - take me lead, and listen to...

IAN (CONT'D)
(then)
There *was* some tension between them - Sarah, and Andy, at a meeting I had with councillors. I'll get our team to follow up on their alibis.

An uneasy moment, which Kevin senses, as Ian looks around the street, and the surrounding landscape.

Hearing the ominous drumbeat in the distance, again..?

KEVIN
You worried?

IAN
About what?

KEVIN
Well. Like you say. It doesn't follow the pattern of the first murder. Gary was a striking miner. Killed by the son of a working miner. And here we have a daughter of a working miner, or one of their main allies back then, anyway. Dead a few days later.

Ian doesn't want the obvious next conclusion to be reached. But Kevin reaches for it, carefully...

KEVIN (CONT'D)
... 'Revenge'?

IAN
Well if you don't mind me saying, that's quite a leap, and a not particularly responsible one.

Kevin nods. 'OK'. But Ian considers this...

IAN (CONT'D)
But true or not, it's what a lot of people will think. And that might be a massive problem.

They get into their car.

Out of their view, the real killer Andy paces in the **GARDEN**.

36 **INT. CHURCH - DAY 7. 1040**

36

REVEREND LANE, a new-ish man of the cloth, early 40s, is faffing about in his modest, empty church. Julie walks in.

REVEREND LANE
Oh. Yes?

JULIE
Sorry, you probably don't remember me, I haven't... it's Julie. My husband-... he passed, at the weekend. And uh -

REVEREND LANE
Oh, my. I am so sorry, please, please come in. I'll get my - we can make tea, and -
(MORE)

REVEREND LANE (CONT'D)

(call off)

Jessica?! Can you come and -

JULIE

No, I'm not staying. Thank you,
sorry. This isn't about the-...
(she can't say the words)

REVEREND LANE

Funeral?

JULIE

They've - the police still have
'him', I've no idea when they'll...

(then)

I don't know how things run, here,
but I've been told that quite a few
of my husband's - old 'pals', I
'spose, are travelling here to mark
his passing, only there's nowhere
for them to do that and I'm worried
that'll mean they just get tanked
up in the pub. So I don't know if -
as he was a, a -

(references the church)

- And the church opposite us is
being used by the police, so..?

REVEREND LANE

Here? This afternoon?

JULIE

Just somewhere for them to 'be'.
Like I say, I hate asking -

REVEREND LANE

Of course. We can welcome them
here, that would be our pleasure.

Julie nods. She turns on her heels.

JULIE

Alright, I'll herd 'em yer way; I
don't know when or how many, sorry.

Julie exits swiftly. We remain, briefly, on the Reverend.

*Now that we know there's a "spycop"... we may rest briefly on
a few local figures around town, now and again.*

37

EXT. SHERWOOD FOREST. VIADUCT - DAY 7. 1050

37

Scott is on his bike, heading across / under a stone bridge.

FROM ABOVE:

We see he is heading toward the village, in the middle distance, out from the safe confines of his woods...

37A **INT. THE SPARROW FARM. KITCHEN - DAY 7. 1053**

37A

Scott's face appears here too - on a local newspaper, as Daphne and Mickey Sparrow sit in the kitchen; the news on the radio plays Cathy's appeal.

MICKEY SPARROW

He has no idea what he's doing to us, does he. This lad. To our relationships.

DAPHNE SPARROW

Mine and yours?

Mickey looks over to her - annoyed, but sees that she's smiling to herself, teasing him. And he cools a bit.

MICKEY SPARROW

Stop being a knob. Our *business* relationships. Which are tenuous.
(huffing, back at the TV)
New suppliers, younger, flashier. And here's us, unable to move anything around safely while this carry on is carrying on. They've got these cuckoos, dotted about, that will always undercut us. Why?

DAPHNE SPARROW

Cause they use kids as couriers.

MICKEY SPARROW

Cause they use kids. Do we use kids? We do not. Do we cut our gear up wi' other shite - no. Do I think that deserves a Nobel Peace Prize? Give a fuck. It's just what we do. And have been, for a long time.

DAPHNE SPARROW

Maybe we should stop doing it. We've got the taxis, we've got -

MICKEY SPARROW

Taxis aren't enough on their own. Knock-off goods aren't enough, it's part of a delicate ecosystem.

Daphne takes her reading glasses off. Thinking.

DAPHNE SPARROW

We trained him. Didn't we. Must have done. Folk will know. We might have to think of some sort of...

MICKEY SPARROW

What?

DAPHNE SPARROW

"Acknowledgment", of that. Some form of penance.

MICKEY SPARROW

I just spent a night in the bloody cells, int that enough.

(then)

Ay up, did you miss me? First night apart in how long, that?

DAPHNE SPARROW

No, I spread out, enjoyed the lack of snoring.

He tosses something playfully at her. They smile.

38 **INT. THE JACKSON HOUSE. LIVING ROOM - DAY 7. 1055**

38

Julie is at her computer. Gary's notebooks next to her, which she glances at.

She returns to the screen - finishing a social media post.

"Informal memorial / get together for Gary this afternoon, from 3pm. All Saints Church. For..."

JULIE

(reading as she types)

For those who knew and loved him...

Beat. She deletes this, and replaces it. We see --

'All Welcome'.

39 **EXT. ROAD / ROAD SIGN - DAY 7. 1300**

39

A road sign on the outskirts of the villages, welcoming people to **"Nottinghamshire - 'Robin Hood Country'.**

The shadow of a **COACH** passes by it...

40 **EXT. STREETS OF ASHFIELD - DAY 7. 1315**

40

The coach arrives into the village, as **UNIFORMED OFFICERS** watch from the sidelines.

The doors hiss open, and **YORKSHIRE MINERS** (or ex-miners, at least) and their **WIVES** begin to pile off the bus.

Aware they are in enemy territory.

One of them adjusts his '**NUM**' badge on his shirt.

Dean Simmons is coming home from work, and sees as he passes.

He can't quite believe it.

He speeds up - heading home.

Two YORKSHIRE MINERS unfurl an old union banner, held aloft on some poles. Its motto, for all to see.

"The Past We Inherit. The Future We Build".

PC DOVE approaches them, wearily.

PC DOVE
Is that really necessary?

HELEN

Wh... what on earth is happening?
That poor girl. Who would do this?
That same lad, or -?

IAN

We'll find out. I might be late.

HELEN

I feel sick, I'm shaking. Oh wait
shit, we meant to - bollocks, we
invited Jenny and Jacob, tonight,
his birthday.

Kevin's attention is peaked by the mention of 'Jenny'. And
Ian senses it too - a quick glance between them, and back.

HELEN (CONT'D)

I'll have to cancel, I'll cancel.

IAN

See how you feel, you - I dunno,
you might want the company of some
old friends. Tonight. Maybe.

Kevin stares forward, saying nothing.

44 **EXT. CARLISLE STREET / THE JACKSON HOUSE - DAY 7. 1340** 44

Dean leaves his house, wearing his **UDM** badge. He sees -

Gibbo from No.7 shuts the door of his house. The opposing **NUM**
badge on *his* shirt.

Ian's car comes down the street, pulling up outside the
Jackson house, as he and Kevin get out.

A moment, as police and opposing neighbours glance between
the different points of the triangle, departing in their
different directions.

Ian knocks on Julie's door -

45 **I/E. THE ROWLEY HOUSE. FRONT DOOR / HALLWAY - DAY 7. 1342** 45

- as Cathy answers her door, to PCs Dove and Patel.

PC DOVE

Mrs Rowley? Sorry about this. There
are some, uh... visitors heading
this way, from the North?

CATHY

From 'the north', what north?

PC DOVE

Gary Jackson's old union. An impromptu memorial thing. DCS St Clair has suggested, as a precaution, that you come with us to the parish hall where we have officers stationed. For safety.

CATHY

Fred?!

46

INT. THE JACKSON HOUSE - DAY 7. 1344

46

Julie looks up briefly from her garden, *thinking* she may have heard that over her back fence, connecting to the Rowley's.

She responds to what Kevin and Ian have just told her.

JULIE

Sarah? I was at their wedding!

IAN

I know. Me too.

JULIE (CONT'D)

Neel's my boss. I -...

JULIE (CONT'D)

I should call him.

IAN

He might need a bit of time -

JULIE

(snapping a bit)

Yes I know what he needs, I'm needing it. I'm going through it...

Then a guilty pause. She takes another drag, hand shaking.

JULIE (CONT'D)

So th-... this'll be like a different investigation you're going to be off doing? What about catching my husband's killer -?

KEVIN

At the moment, we're treating them as though they are connected.

JULIE

So where've they all gone, your officers, they vanished today. We can see 'em, they're packing up.

IAN

There's a football match, in town - I know. But trust me, catching Scott is top of our list.

JULIE

Can't believe there's a fucking
list.

She goes, looking back once again at her sister's house.

47 **EXT. THE ROWLEY HOUSE. PARKED POLICE CAR - DAY 7. 1346** 47

Cathy and Fred exit their house at speed, led by PC Dove towards a patrol car.

CATHY

If there's a memorial, shouldn't we
be going?

They get inside the back, Dove closing the door behind them. Cathy ducks down instinctively.

CATHY (CONT'D)

Oh God...

FRED

I won't hide. I've done nowt. Nowt.

CATHY

I should go, he was my brother-in-law I... it, it's... God what are the rules, for this kind of thing?! I don't know what I'm meant to do?!

FRED

(loosing it, a bit)
Will you stop saying that? Just DO
AS YOU'RE TOLD!

Cathy looks. A long time since dormant Fred ever yelled.

She seethes with resentment in his direction. He looks away, as Dove, now in the driving seat, starts the engine.

48 **INT. PARISH HALL SATELLITE STATION - DAY 7. 1355** 48

Ian and Kevin here, with Cathy and Fred. Around them, the hall is the busiest we have seen - *the crisis escalating*.

IAN

How you both holding up?
(no answer, really)
I'm afraid we've found another
body.

CATHY

Oh God -

IAN

Sarah Vincent, now Fisher. We aren't sure yet if he's responsible, but does Scott have any connection to her? Or the Fisher family?

Cathy and Fred look at one another, bewildered by all of this, a shake of the head, *no*.

IAN (CONT'D)

Can I ask, is Newstead Abbey a place of any significance, for you? Or for Scott?

FRED

Why you asking about Newstead Abbey?

IAN

You didn't visit, as a family.

FRED

No. We didn't really do those kind of things. 'Family'...

Trails off. Cathy mutters a pained scoff under her breath,

KEVIN

Can I ask a question?

(before Ian interjects)

Over fifteen thousand pounds, just sat there, in the account of a young man, with no training, no qualifications, no job, living at home with his parents...

FRED

That's not a question.

KEVIN

Why didn't he spend it? What was he keeping it for?

(Fred shrugs)

You never asked, ever talk about it? It was your redundancy -

CATHY

He resented him having it, that's why. Only gave it to him to stop his ex-wife from having any of it in their divorce -

FRED

Not the only reason.

IAN

Your ex-wife being Scott's mother?

FRED

Lives over in Bestwood. 'Nuther Pit village other side of the woods. Former pit village.

KEVIN

What's Scott's relationship like with his mother? Would he go there?

FRED

(points at Cathy)

She's his mother.

(a moment, then)

When we split up. I... I weren't in a, in a good 'way'. I didn't think I could, like, look after him. Pits had just closed, she'd been having it off with this other fella and...

(MORE)

FRED (CONT'D)

(a pause)

Scott'd be about 3 or 4 and I sent him off to be with her. In her shiny new house, and step kids. Thought that'd be best for him. A change. But it didn't work out, he didn't settle, don't know why.

CATHY

You do. This other fella's kids; they didn't get on with Scott. So then *she* didn't want him. You didn't want him, *she* didn't want him, and he's not daft, kids know things --

FRED

You never *wanted* him.

CATHY

(leaning forward, hissing)

I tried. So hard. To be there for him more than her or you ever did.

Fred glares teary-eyed at her, knowing this is probably true.

KEVIN

Gary Jackson reckoned there was an old undercover cop hiding in the village. Came here under a false name and stayed. Have you ever heard about that? Have -... have you always lived here, Fred?

Fred looks back and forth between the officers.

FRED

Me? I'm... well I mean I was transferred over from Shirebrook to Annesley Pit in... must have been '83. By the coal board. Never been in the police though. Not that I've owt against the police, you know, *you* lot.

He might be kissing the arse of those suspecting him, now. Or perhaps it's sincere. But the normally down and verbally sparse Fred noticeably opens, here...

FRED (CONT'D)

You kept us all going; earning a living. Clearing the path to the pits so we could work. Keeping the picketers off our backs. And I know how hard, for you, that was. Folk don't talk about that, do they.

(at Kevin)

(MORE)

FRED (CONT'D)

Not *you*, coming up, earning a few quid, knock a few heads together and piss off again, but you...

Ian might feel attention on him he doesn't want, or uncomfortable Fred associating himself with him...

FRED (CONT'D)

Well, we all know. Those of us who remember. And what else is there, round here. But *remember*. A mining family, like yours was -

IAN
Mr. Rowley... Can we --

FRED (CONT'D)
Well-liked, round here.
Respected.

Kevin might glance over to Ian. *He didn't know that...*

FRED (CONT'D)

And to be a, you know - policeman. From a family like that, at a time like that, I get it. You know. What it feels like to be...

(searches for the word)

I'm trying to think of the-... 'ostracised'. I suppose. By certain people.

(struggling now)

And the choices, you have to make. Over how to carry on. How to just survive...

He finds himself tearful turning back to Cathy.

FRED (CONT'D)

... And who to survive it with.

Cathy is struggling under this now too, as they glance one to another - Cathy, Ian, Fred - silently connected...

Kevin watching - orbiting the outskirts of their shared pain.

49

EXT. PARISH HALL SATELLITE STATION - DAY 7. 1415

49

Kevin leans against the wall of the church, around the back, watching his temporary 'partner' Ian, staring off.

IAN

I almost feel sorry for him; kid growing up like that. Emphasis very firmly on *almost* I should say.

(then)

... We have two dead. A former miner. A councillor. Then we have these arrows. A train. Solicitor. Fucking peacock.

(MORE)

IAN (CONT'D)

(then)

I don't get it, what's the pattern.
What's he bloody well up to?

KEVIN

I didn't know that. Your family.
That you don't - anymore.

(Ian says nothing)

Was it because of ... what
happened, 'That Night' -

IAN

I don't want you talking about my
family. I don't talk about...

He trails. Kevin decides to light a cigarette. Smokes,
heaving a tragic smile, almost laughing.

KEVIN

I was So Young. Back then. We were
both so young. What was I, 20?

Younger than my son, now...

(smokes, shakes his head)

Do you think they know, that age, I
didn't; you don't, do you, quite
how brilliantly, wonderfully young
you are; quite how many things are -
possible, to do. With your life. At
that point. And that you should be
so happy and excited about it.

(smokes)

Someone should tell 'em.

He tosses the cigarette to the ground. Ian stares off.

50 **INT. THE WELFARE - DAY 7. 1430**

50

MARTIN - who we met in episode 1 with marks from burn
injuries on his face - sits alone with a drink.

The man we will soon discover is Ian's brother...

He watches clips of Ian's TV appeal on the TV.

51 **INT. PARISH HALL SATELLITE STATION - DAY 7. 1435**

51

Kevin at a tea making station, pouring from the kettle.
Taylor appears with PC Dove to make another.

DI TAYLOR

Fifteen grand, ey. Scott Rowley.
Lot of money.

(to Dove)

(MORE)

DI TAYLOR (CONT'D)

You know back during the strike,
Dove, one of the things the London
Police got for coming up here was a
shit ton of overtime. Dirty money.

(to Kevin)

Do you remember any of that, from
back then?

Kevin finishes making his tea, smiling overly politely.

KEVIN

I'm just here to help.

DI TAYLOR

It's not because they've cut you
loose, down there? Scotland Yard?
I've got some friends, they talk.

KEVIN

Ah that's nice, 'friends'.

DI TAYLOR

They said some't about you getting
suspended, or something.

KEVIN

I haven't been suspended.

DI TAYLOR

Yeah makes sense. If they got rid
of all bent coppers down there,
there'd be none left.

Kevin takes his tea and heads off.

52 **EXT. CHURCH - DAY 7. 1453**

52

At the entrance to the church, the YORKSHIRE MINERS from the
coach are heading up to the Church, with their banners.

As good as a procession.

53 **EXT. SHERWOOD FOREST. ASHFIELD - DAY 7. 1455**

53

From our POV: through binoculars:

We focus in on the sight, through trees, of street outside
the Methodist Church. Including Julie and her grandchildren.

Scott lowers the binoculars.

54 **INT. CHURCH - DAY 7. 1500**

54

Reverend Lane has to take a moment when staring out at his
hall of Old YORKSHIRE MINERS. The Jackson family up front.

REVEREND LANE

It-... well, it's testimony, to Gary, how you were all able to mobilise at short notice to honour his memory here today. It's clear that here's a man who meant a lot, to a lot of people. To family and friends. But also simply to people who share - a heritage. Because...

Ringleader Warnock turns to glare at Deano - a NOTTINGHAM STRIKEBREAKER in their midst, sat at the back.

A UDM badge worn proudly, surrounded by NUM brands.

REVEREND LANE (CONT'D)

I suppose that's the thing, about people. Is that they're always more than one thing; often lots of contradictory things. Speaking to Julie, I know that Gary was... proud, but humble. Principled, but with his kids and grandkids, a total pushover.

Julie manages a smile, gripping Cinderella and Noah's hands.

55 **EXT. STREETS OF ASHFIELD - DAY 7. 1502**

55

The slow crawl of Scott's bike as its tyre creeps over the gravel of the empty road.

He's wearing a cap. A scarf around his mouth. Rucksack. As he returns to the village, tentatively, looking around.

Quiet.

He stops when, at the end of the main road, he can see the last Police Van departing for the city.

56 **EXT. CARLISLE STREET. LANE - DAY 7. 1504**

56

He cycles carefully, stood upright, down the lane running at the bottom of The Jackson's Street. Stopping at the corner. Peering around.

He catches sight of Madeline, tapping a food bowl for her cat.

Not everyone was bullied into going, then.

She re-enters and closes her door. Emptiness again.

Scott leans his bike against the wall.

62 **EXT. THE JACKSON HOUSE. THE JACKSON'S STREET - DAY 7. 1546** 62

Ronan Sparrow's finger pushes the bell, hard.

He's nervous, shifting back and forth, but he looks like a kid forced by desperation to take this reckless step.

63 **I/E. THE JACKSON HOUSE / CARLISLE STREET - DAY 7. 1548** 63

Scott creeps carefully down the stairs. Opening up his rucksack. Removing the crossbow.

OUTSIDE: Ronan steps back from the door, looking up at the windows to see if he can see any life.

INSIDE: Scott, carefully, unsettled, approaches the other side of the front door. Crossbow loaded.

He edges his eye carefully towards the peep hole.

From his POV: Ronan is looking the house up and down.

When suddenly, he leans down -

- *flip*, he opens the letter box hatch, just as Scott has enough time to pivot his hips away, tucked to one side, freezing to the spot.

Ronan stares in.

Scott begins to maneuver the crossbow around. Towards the letter box opening...

When Ronan closes the flap.

We stay with Scott a moment. Not moving an inch. Listening.

That was close. He senses he may have got too confident... and the time to go is now. He heads towards the back.

63A **INT. ANDY FISHER'S HOUSE - DAY 7. 1550** 63A

Andy is stirring sugars into teas. He's watching Neel - his son, back turned, lost, in pain.

Because of what he did.

Andy brings over the cup, and sets it down.

He looks like he wants to reach out with his hand, and touch the back of Neel's head, to comfort him.

He even lifts his hand, privately unseen...

... But he can't do it. Recoiling back, into his shame.

Notts locals buying drinks. A semi-spontaneous 'wake'.

The Jackson family sat in the corner.

The NOTTINGHAMSHIRE MINERS, now the main group, with UDM badges and so on - including Deano - talk in hushed tones.

DEAN SIMMONS

No. Old Vinnie's daughter?

(seething, about to blow)

That-... that's... come on, on the day them lot come down here? Are you mad?! It's tit for tat. They -

(at their disbelief)

I'm telling you! Maybe they didn't mean to, maybe it got out of hand, but come the fuck on.

(at a larger group)

Oy, they're saying Sarah Vincent, Vinnie's daughter. Dead. Murdered.

On Julie, who knew this. Should she intervene? When -?

... Mickey Sparrow approaches. Daphne and Rory have arrived too, pulling up some stools over at another table.

Not normally somewhere they would visit, this, but...

MICKEY SPARROW

Sorry to gatecrash, like. We wanted to briefly pay our respects.

Julie and Cinderella are Very Uncertain about what to say or do - internally reeling, outwardly fearful of this family.

MICKEY SPARROW (CONT'D)

And, uh. No hard feelings. For pointing the finger. A 'suspension' of hostilities, sort of thing.

After a moment, Julie carefully nods.

Cinderella takes in the imposing men of Ronan's family. Feeling the weight of her secret.

DAPHNE SPARROW

(to Madeline)

Here, put our card behind the bar.

JULIE

No, honest, please, that's - I can't accept.

MICKEY SPARROW

You can accept it.

(at those listening)

(MORE)

MICKY SPARROW (CONT'D)

We're all neighbours. We all live in the same place, at the same time. And I still think that's a thing what matters, what means something. You can accept it.

He smiles, hard. As Rory begins asking those nearby what they're drinking - much to the discomfort of EVERYONE, who would really rather they didn't...

Just then - a breakaway part of the YORKSHIRE CONTINGENT enter the bar area from outside. It takes a while for others to notice. And the comprehension to sink in.

Led by Warnock, a butter-wouldn't-melt expression on his face, he and his boys make their way to the bar.

Dean Simmons palms an empty bottle from the bar, ready.

Someone else removes a pool queue from the rack.

WARNOCK

Evening. What bitter you got on?
Ah, not Mansfield? Any Tetley?

MADELINE

We're at capacity, sorry.

Warnock turns to face the room - all eyes on him.

WARNOCK

Not in the mood for bygones being bygones, then? Not even allowed to raise a glass for a fallen friend.

DEAN SIMMONS

(letting go)

Been up to much else while you were down here, have you? Heard owt about a beautiful young lass been killed, have you?! EY?!

WARNOCK

You what?

MADELINE

Look, how's about just pootle off, ey, and sharpish. Please.

WARNOCK

(pointing at Julie)

This family of the deceased, they kept solidarity with us in 84, and you're all drinking with *them* -

JULIE

Please. Don't use my family as a pawn in all this. I mean it.

(MORE)

JULIE (CONT'D)

(standing)

Look, I know my husband appreciated your many whatevers, kindnesses, over the years. Especially when they weren't always extended to him on his own doorstep.

A minor chill in the room. Some neighbours look away. Others stay unapologetically fixed in their stares.

JULIE (CONT'D)

But I think it better you go.

Warnock absorbs the reasonableness of this request - and nods. But not before --

WARNOCK

Can I just say one thing. One thing I think he'd have liked made known amongst some of his more Holier Than Thou neighbours? Gary. A good man. Who believed in things. Believed in being straight. Honest. And a loyal friend...

He gathers himself, and takes in the room.

WARNOCK (CONT'D)

Someone here... is Not Who They Seem.

On the rest of them - *what?*

WARNOCK (CONT'D)

He shared it with us. Those of us who were loyal to him.

(pointing)

There is a great pretender in your midst.

Julie fears what's coming next - remembering Ian's phone call from this morning, Gary's notepad.

65

INT. THE ST CLAIR HOUSE - DAY 7. 1752

65

Ian is holding his wife, as she has a moment in his shoulder.

IAN

I'm sorry, love.

The radio is on. Sports commentary on the match.

NEWS ANCHOR (O.S.)

... 1-1, with 5 minutes to go. And so far...

(MORE)

NEWS ANCHOR (O.S.) (CONT'D)
scenes of quiet respect, between
the two sides. A relief to the
players and fans alike.

When Helen pulls out of the hug and notices him listening -

IAN
That wasn't me listening to the
football, I was --

HELEN
(smiling)
I know.
(then)
You sure you don't mind visitors?

Ian shakes his head, 'it's ok'.

66 **INT. GUEST HOUSE. KEVIN'S ROOM - DAY 7. 1754**

66

Kevin sat on his bed. Silence in the lonely room.

... he sighs, as he accepts the new low of his idea. Calling
on his phone.

KEVIN
Hi, DI Salisbury, I need a PNC
check on a vehicle or the
registered keeper details. If you
have the address, and... Yeah, it
should be under "St Clair".

67 **INT. THE WELFARE - DAY 7. 1755**

67

The news has - apparently - just landed.

DEAN SIMMONS
An undercover what? Piss off.
(to Julie)
This true?

JULIE
I don't know, do I. I mean... in
the past couple months Gary talked
about it but I didn't know what to
think, I thought it was bollocks.

MADELINE
(to Warnock)
It is bollocks. Go on, coming here
to stir up the past; out -

WARNOCK
Ay up, don't go shooting the
messenger. It int me.
(MORE)

WARNOCK (CONT'D)

It's our own union - sorry, my
union, your lot broke away didn't
yer, I recall, that's right. Our
NUM, they're lobbying the
government for the truth right now.
About these spies.

(lets the word land)

Look to your neighbours. Look to
your friends.

A few glances. Dean ... the Madeline ... Gibbo.

WARNOCK (CONT'D)
(listing on his fingers)
Someone who came here, just before
or during that strike.
(two)
An outsider. With an identity
plucked from nowhere, fake job,
fake name. Who spied on you all.
(three)
And then stayed. For whatever
reason. And is here, now. Walking
among you, bold as brass.
(finally...)
And I'll wager that mad bastard in
the woods knows who it might be.

All of this washes over the anxious room in waves.

Warnock takes someone else's glass, and toasts -

WARNOCK (CONT'D)
To Jacko.

- the YORKSHIRE MINERS repeat, as Warnock drinks. Nods at
Julie one last time, and they file out of the bar.

Leaving the NOTTS LOCALS to their new paranoia, and dread.

68

EXT. THE ST CLAIR HOUSE - EVENING 7. 1930

68

We're closing tighter in on Kevin. Outside the house,
watching from an unseen vantage point.

A car pulls up onto the drive. And out steps --

Jenny Harris, and her husband, JACOB. 50s.

We move in on Kevin as he watches their dynamic - Jacob
coming around the car and putting an affectionate hand around
his wife's hip. They kiss, and smile, hold wine, and flowers.

*They are playful, affectionate, happy. Over 30 years of
loving marriage, evident right in front of him...*

Ian answers the door to his friends -- a sting of something
from Kevin, maybe, seeing his colleague welcome them into his
home; him on the outside...

He makes himself scarce.

69

INT. THE JACKSON HOUSE. BATHROOM - EVENING 7. 2033

69

Cinderella flicks the light on and looks at her face in the
medicine cabinet - exhausted. She takes a deep breath.

And thinks that she smells something, frowning.

Her eyes move, slowly, to the sight of urine in the toilet.

On Cinderella.

70 **INT. THE JACKSON HOUSE. LIVING ROOM / KITCHEN - EVENING 7. 70
2035**

Julie stares off in the kitchen, holding a wine, as in the living room Noah starts up his game. Confused by something -

 NOAH
 What's happened to my name?

 JULIE
 What d'you mean?

 NOAH
 Who's Robbie Platt?

Julie looks up - taken back - marching into the room.

 JULIE
 What did you say?

Noah points to the screen. The game *Fortnite*, only as we push in on the TV, and on Julie's increasingly horrified face, we see that the Player Name is now - "**Robbie Platt**".

71 **INT. THE JACKSON HOUSE. LIVING ROOM - EVENING 7. 2037** 71

Julie is searching madly through Gary's boxes of notes and pads - as Cinderella comes down from the bathroom.

 CINDERELLA
 What? What is it?

Julie opens one up, and there. In her dead husband's handwriting. A page heading - "**Spycop cover names**"

And top of the list - "**Robbie Platt**".

 JULIE
 (to herself)
 "Spycops"... "Robbie Platt".

 CINDERELLA
 Nana?

 JULIE
 What the hell is going on?!

Food, drink, chatter under way. Jacob has a Southern accent that has softened over time.

We're most often with Ian through this - his head on the case, and not a natural Dinner Party winner and diner.

JACOB

Just incredible, incredible. Things like that, happening round here. I'm so sorry, both.

(then)

Although I have to say, and don't take this the wrong way, I only mean it as a tease -

IAN

I'll take it however I like, mate, but go on.

JACOB

It was only that ... you know. Amongst friends, Ian, a case like this, that national spotlight. The cameras, and the questions. Isn't this the kind of case we used to talk late into the night about, back in the day. Young recruits.

IAN

That you talked about, and then you never even stuck it out.

JACOB

What can I say, I realised I enjoyed money too much. And there's none of that in the police.

JENNY

He's in my school, you know. Noah Jackson. So sad, poor kid. Although I'm sure, that age, he'll be more resilient than his sister. What's she called? Cinderella?

JACOB

Such weird bloody names. Are they a weird family? This first victim's?

Ian shrugs, pouring himself another large glass.

HELEN

I just hope it's over soon. And then what's-his-face, your new pal, can bugger off back to London as well. What's his name?

A private reaction from Jenny, at the mention of Kevin, and an accidental glance between her and Ian.

Secrets, that only they share.

IAN
Uh, Kevin.

HELEN
Then you can stop being so tetchy.

JACOB
Who's this?

IAN
No one. Helen.

Tight on Jenny, drinking her wine.

HELEN
This MET Inspector that Ian had a run in with, way back when.

IAN
Helen.
(then, sensing the tension)
Sorry, I - ... I'm just tired.

A moment.

IAN (CONT'D)
Dessert?

73

INT. THE WELFARE - EVENING 7. 2155

73

Much emptier now - as it normally is. Few punters. Including -
- MARTIN. Perched at the bar, awaiting another pint.

DEAN is playing darts, trying to forget the day. His UDM badge still displayed. As he clocks eyes with -

- GIBBO, in the corner. His NUM badge worn proud.

The door creaks open, and in walks -- Kevin.

He approaches the bar, where Martin is the other end.

KEVIN
Uh, whatever's on tap. Thank you.

Martin's ear prick up at this voice, as she pulls his pint.

MADELINE

Is that London, your accent?

Kevin nods.

Gibbo, sat in his corner, huffs, mumbling something under his breath... (pig bastards / cockney fucks etc).

MADELINE (CONT'D)

God, we've had all sorts in today.
Yorkshireman, Londoners...

She hands him the pint - he hands her a fiver.

MADELINE (CONT'D)

Ey, I saw your brother on the tele
earlier, Martin. Press conference.

Kevin seizes up more now, too. Not quite daring to look at Martin. *But if that is Ian's brother, then...*

Kevin, finally, dares to look. Martin senses it.

MARTIN

Do I know you? Pal?

KEVIN

... Uh, no. No.

MARTIN

I don't tend to forget a face.
(waits. Then)

And people tend not to forget mine.

He turns to reveal his burn marks to Kevin...

Kevin can't avoid it any more. He turns to take in Martin...

These are late middle-aged men, most of them, who haven't fought in years and it's not action-packed, more awkward, exhausted and sad.

Kevin, face bloodied, manages to push a raging Martin against the wall as Gibbo tries to knock him down.

But Deano grabs Gibbo, dragging him off.

Kevin swings his fists at anyone, only connecting occasionally. Messy, emotional --

Patrol Cars pull up - some PCs spill out, breaking it up.

As we find:

Ian, presumably having been notified, piling in too.

IAN

What the hell is this?!

Takes on the light bleeding, torn clothes. As Ian's eyes find ... Kevin. Clothes ripped, lip bust, a black eye forming.

DEAN SIMMONS / GIBBO

Nothing.

And Ian sees him - his brother, Martin...

IAN

Martin...

MARTIN

Oh brother, there art though.

Martin turns his back on him, deliberately, as he catches his breath back.

DEAN SIMMONS

They star-... I don't mean to sound - but they started it. Went mad.

MARTIN

Ian, it's, it's him? Is it him?!

IAN

Get up.

MARTIN

(turning back, confused)
Wait. Are you-... are you actually fucking working together?

IAN

Go back inside, drink water.

MARTIN

One of the fuckers who DID THIS TO ME?!

IAN

He's here to help, I said GET BACK INSIDE!

MARTIN

You don't tell me what to do?!

Some men launch at Kevin again, and Ian steps in to protect him, instead bundling Martin onto the ground.

IAN

Alright enough! Leave him!

PC PATEL

Right, I am arresting you, on -

MARTIN

(over him)

Arresting me?!

(then)

It were *him*, he -

IAN

He doesn't need arresting, please, honest, he just needs cooling down.
(picking up Kevin)
You! With me.

MARTIN

Oy, you don't do me no favours right! Arrest me!
(to the Officer)
Arrest me! Fucking arsehole.

Ian is bundling Kevin out of the way as he looks back to see the Officer putting cuffs on his brother.

MARTIN (CONT'D)

Oh aye, look at this ey? What a surprise!

GIBBO

Yeah that's right. Once a turncoat, always a turncoat!

Ian feels the burning shame as he helps Kevin into the back, before getting into the front and starting the engine...

KEVIN

I, I uh -

Ian ignores him, starting the car and pulling away at speed.

76

EXT. IAN'S CAR IN MOTION - NIGHT 7. 2220

76

Ian thumps the steering wheel in anger.

IAN
Un-believable, un-fucking-
BELIEVABLE!

Kevin tries to sit up in the back, nursing his wounds, groggy from several blows to the head.

IAN (CONT'D)
We get through the day without any trouble from an invading army, for the only call-out of the night to be fucking you!

Quietly, and full of sadness in the back...

KEVIN
I didn't ask to be here.

IAN
Neither did I.

Ian drives, trying to calm, glancing in his rear view mirror.

IAN (CONT'D)
You've no idea, have yer.
(punching the wheel)
No fucking clue.

KEVIN
Nope.

IAN
What it was like, after. For us who lived here, for us who stayed, to clean up your mess. For me, with that hanging over my head -

KEVIN
You did alright. Better than me -

IAN
- being tarred with that same brush as your bastard lot. Friends, who after all that never... Family who NEVER-... And here we are! Happening all over again! Me, defending you, in front of -...
(tries to calm)

KEVIN
I'd have stayed here. You know. I really wanted to stay here...

IAN
(not quite hearing)
You what?

KEVIN
It was you. You took that away from
me...

IAN
... I don't remember. And I don't
care.

Kevin sits up, winding down the window to get some fresh air.

KEVIN
Everything that went wrong, for me -

IAN
My heart bleeds.

Turning to stare into his eyes through the mirror.

KEVIN
- everything. I can trace back to
here. Trace back to you...

They look at one another, before Ian's eyes return forward.

IAN
Let's just do our job. Catch this
killer. And move the hell on, shall
we? Can we do that?

KEVIN
Yes, 'chief'.

The wind from the window blows his bloodied hair...

77 **INT. THE ROWLEY HOUSE. SCOTT'S BEDROOM - NIGHT 7. 2230** 77

Cathy is sat on Scott's bed, in the dark.

Her phone in her hand. A blank text message, to "**Julie**", the
curser flickering, waiting for words...

Smash!

She jumps - some glass shattering, O.S, downstairs.

CATHY
Scott?! -

78 **INT. THE ROWLEY HOUSE. HALLWAY - NIGHT 7. 2232** 78

She stumbles down the stairs to see the glass panel in the
front door has smashed.

Her foot slips on something and she goes over, hitting the floor in pain. Turning to see -

- a brick, facing her. And a word painted upon it.

"Scabs".

79 **EXT. SHERWOOD FOREST - MORNING 8. 0600** 79

The sun rising. A new, dull day...

Scott is back in the forest, hiding. Opening his eyes, for yet another day...

80 **INT. THE JACKSON HOUSE - DAY 8. 0630** 80

Julie sits holding a baseball bat on the sofa - having been awake all night.

Cinderella and Noah have fallen asleep down here - Cinderella holding Noah, a kitchen knife in hand.

Exhausted, in all the ways a person can be

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82 **I/E. THE JACKSON HOUSE / GARDEN / ALLEYWAY - DAY 8. 0635** 82

She stands and unlocks the back door, and out to the garden having picked up Gary's notebook from the side.

She wanders out into the back **ALLEY**, lighting a cigarette, away from the house. Pacing away, getting some space.

She finds herself at the dividing fence / the gate that separates the **ALLEY** from the **ROWLEYS'**.

She leans against the gate. Turning the pages of Gary's notebook, when...

... She can hear something.

Some soft crying, the other side of the fence, which we pass through, to the **ROWLEY'S GARDEN**, to find:

Cathy, sat on a garden bench, near the dividing fence.

She's holding something too. The brick from last night.

JULIE (O.S.)

... Cath?

She freezes. So many conflicting feelings consuming her.

CATHY

Yeah?

We move between the **GARDEN** and the **ALLEY**. This has an air of cold reluctance at first, of not being prepared for it yet, but with a huge repressed desire for reconnection.

JULIE

Are you ok?

CATHY

... Why are you asking me that? I should be asking-... it's you; you whose lost someone, I -

JULIE

Because you're crying.

CATHY

I don't-... See now I feel even worse cause why am I the one crying, Jesus Christ. I'm so...

Where to begin, with words? She shakes, turning closer to the fence, maybe even putting her hand on it.

CATHY (CONT'D)

I don't know *why* ... he did that; Scott; how he could have ever -

JULIE

Don't say his name.

CATHY

... OK. I'm sorry.

JULIE

I hope they find him. And he rots in jail his entire miserable life.

Silence, now, for a moment. Just birds and the breeze.

CATHY

What do we do now?

83

INT. GUEST HOUSE. KEVIN'S ROOM - DAY 8. 0640

83

Kevin wakes up with a scream.

He winces. Feeling the bruises on his face.

He sighs. But looks determined to brush off last night, and get back down to work...

84

INT. PARISH HALL SATELLITE STATION - DAY 8. 0820

84

Kevin is working away at a desk when Ian arrives, perhaps surprised to see him here earlier than him.

Ian eases over when, thankfully for Kevin, his phone rings.

KEVIN
(answering)
DI Salisbury.
(listening)
Oh, yes, thank you, do you have
that - uh, the name of the person
who signed for it...

He's writing down what he's listening to - stopping.
Surprised. He looks up to Ian, still on the phone.

KEVIN (CONT'D)
Are you sure? Can I check the house
number they... Ok, thank you, bye.
(phone down)

IAN
What is it?

KEVIN
Courier company. The person who
signed for Sarah's missed package
the day before. It was Andy Fisher.

On Ian. Connecting the dots. In disbelief.

85

**EXT. NEEL FISHER'S CAR IN MOTION / DUAL CARRIAGEWAY - DAY 85
0830**

Andy drives Neel's car - Neel as his passenger. Too
distracted to drive himself, staring out the window.

Andy follows directions on Neel's phone, on a stand.

ANDY
Once we've registered the ...
thing, we should... we could go and
get a coffee or something. At a
garden centre, maybe.

Neel barely pays attention. Staring out.

NEEL
Still don't feel real. Any of it.
(shakes his head)
How can anyone have it in 'em. Like
have it *inside* them, to do such a
... that's like psychopathic, that
is. That's proper evil.

Andy just keeps driving.

NEEL (CONT'D)

I just wanta top meself. I want it gone. This feeling. I was going to spend my life with -

ANDY

I know. Neel, I know. I know that feeling, I know it. With your mum. I promise you, though. Over time. Here and there. Bit by bit. It becomes possible to - to live. Again. It does.

(then)

And in the meantime. You'll always have me...

A flicker of something from Neel, perhaps.

Remembering the exclusion Andy had felt before. And the mild horror, now Sarah is gone, of being sucked back into a co-dependent father-son relationship once again...

His phone rings on the dashboard stand. A new number.

ANDY (CONT'D)

Leave it, probably more press.

NEEL

Could be important.

He answers the phone on speaker. We intercut with -

86

INT. PARISH HALL SATELLITE STATION / NEEL'S CAR - DAY 8. 0833

NEEL

Hello.

Ian is on his mobile - the others watching this play out.

IAN

Neel, it's Superintendent Ian St Clair.

Andy's ears prick up, as he continues the drive.

IAN (CONT'D)

I wondered if you might be able to come in; I'm sorry. There's been a development.

Andy, unseen by Neel, is going a ghostly white, sweating.

NEEL

... erm. Ok. We can come now. I'll swing by with my dad.

IAN

Actually, do you just want to come
in, alone, if that's...

NEEL

I'm with him now, in the car.
You're on speaker.

Andy looks at the phone. We stay on his POV as we move in
closer and closer on the phone, hearing, but not seeing,
Ian's cogs presumably turn on the other end.

IAN (O.S.)

Hi Andy.

Andy begins to indicate, pulling to the hard shoulder.

IAN (O.S.) (CONT'D)

Uh ok, why don't you both come in?

NEEL

Alright.

He hangs up -

At the **STATION**: Ian looks at his dead phone.

IAN

Shit.

87 **EXT. NEEL'S CAR / DUAL CARRIAGEWAY / FIELDS - DAY 8. 0835** 87

Neel has noticed they've pulled over. Cars beep at the speed
of the sharp turn and brake.

NEEL

Dad?

He looks at his father. Andy looks at him. Eyes wide, sort of
strangely no longer present.

He fiddles with his seatbelt, struggling to unclip it. He's
not panicking, this isn't fast, just imprecise. He frees
himself and opens his driver door.

NEEL (CONT'D)

Dad, careful!

Passing traffic beeps aggressively, as Andy opens the door
into the highway and steps out, holding onto the car.

Neel gets out the passenger side, staring baffled at his dad
over the roof of the car.

The slow, dreadful realisation begins to dawn on Neel,
looking at his guilt-stricken father, but he keeps resisting
the thought. Pushing it away in denial.

NEEL (CONT'D)
Has someth-... did something...

Andy can't stay for this. He wanders into the road. Traffic beeping, swerving. Looking back at his son.

Neel now knows. His calls are no longer 'concern'. But mounting disbelief, and guttural rage.

NEEL (CONT'D)
... Dad?! You-...

Andy sees a lorry coming and runs, across the dual carriageway, to get to the central reservation before it.

NEEL (CONT'D)
Dad?!

Neel is trapped on his side of the road, as the lorry passes. And then more traffic. Preventing Neel from crossing.

NEEL (CONT'D)
DAD! NO!! NO!!!

Andy makes it to the other side and through the bushes and trees into a field, and then making a dash -

NEEL (CONT'D)
Why?! Dad, NO! NO!!

- towards the woods of Sherwood Forest beyond.

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END OF EPISODE.