

5.16 Why wasn't the 'practice' rope found on previous searches of the garage. (See also 6.20 Infra)

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5.16.1 The officer

who conducted the search of the garage on 8th June, PC CARTWRIGHT, is adamant that the rope was not there at the time. He recalls looking in the drawer in which the rope was subsequently found and it was not there.

5.16.2 The search team were briefed to search for relevant documents

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5.16.3 The forensic scientist, Philip RYDEARD, states that when he was in attendance at the scene on 23rd June he discussed with officers present the possibility of finding other significant items such as other ropes. Later that day DC GREGSON found the 'practice' rope in the drawer, the evidence of Susan CADDICK is that Simon FONT, Eddie's solicitor, told her that he had found the rope.

5.17 Why wasn't the rope Paula used measured. (See also 6.16 infra)