

Mr Craig Noble
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Dear Craig/Shawn,

Ref:- R189626/CAN

I would like very much to defend my position regarding an incident which occurred on Wednesday 1st of May 2013 at approx 11:55am. Whilst waiting for my next customer on the GPO roundabout Rank, I was approached by two traffic enforcement officers, who immediately, through their behaviour and manner, made me feel threatened and harassed. One of the officers seemed to be in charge and was issuing orders, such as the other telling him to take photos of me and my vehicle.

The officer in charge didn't, at any time, want to discuss anything calmly or seemingly rationally. He seemed intent on showing up a taxi driver showing, it seemed, 'how they should be handled' - i would like to enquire whether the officer with him was in training of any sort?

I have received photographs indicating that i was driving up the Pimlico area along the one way street.

However, it can clearly be seen by these same photos that i am reversing to ensure i am doing exactly as i was instructed.

In the letter i received with the same photos it was also insinuated that a driver travelling down Pimlico had to 'slam on' to avoid me and an accident.

This driver did no such thing; he saw me and waived me on letting me manouvre into a new spot. This was witnessed by several drivers.

The spot that i was manouvering into was being vacated by Louise Cartwright; who also witnessed the whole episode.

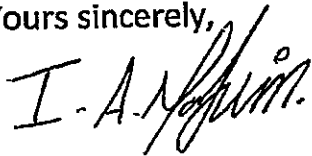
Whilst i understand that the traffic officers have a job and duty to enforce traffic law it really seemed to me to be an incident blown out of all proportion - admittedly, on both sides, our discussion became heated as he and i had a complete difference of opinion as to what i was actually doing.

I would never endanger any other driver or, as has been insinuated, have such disregard for the laws which govern us as Taxi Drivers.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this matter further with you and the officers involved, also, to offer a witness statement that will be e-Mailed direct to you by Louise Marie Cartwright.

I am more than happy to discuss this further at any time.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'I. A. Nasim'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial 'I'.

Imran Nasim (Licensced badge holder LD0225)