

Liverpool Biennial x Liverpool BID Company: Art in Motion – Emma Dolan

*Remember How Boss It Was* (2021) Video Transcripts

## CHICKEN

**Location: Queens Avenue**

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Say chicken for us love x alright then

CHICKEN X How's that one for you then?

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CHICKEN – chixen (fun fact: the scouse K is spelt [X]!) xxxxxx

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## **SCOUSE**

### **Location: Castle Street**

Scouse is a type of stew, typically made with chunks of meat, usually beef or lamb, potatoes and onion. It is particularly associated with the port of Liverpool, which is why the inhabitants of that city are often referred to as 'scousers'. The word comes from lobscouse, a stew commonly eaten by sailors throughout northern Europe in the past, and surviving in different forms there today.

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Quite a controversial discussion online, with many arguing over the contents of the stew; beef, lamb, an oxo cube, someone's mums nan likes this recipe that has Guinness in it but apaz that's the only way you can have scouse My mum always puts celery in her scouse – shocking, I know. But it doesn't really matter. What a scran.

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## **SCOUSE-DAR**

### **Location: Brunswick Street**

I heard this noise, and it reminded me of something but I wasn't quite sure what it was.

Cos to me, for a second I thought I'd heard a small kchhh but I couldn't be sure.

I just went back to my tent and I carried on with my day, I had a mooch around the town and spent too much money, drank too much and passed out.

And I heard it again the next morning, clearer this time.

'EEEE GET IT OUT THE CAR'

'ALRIGHT PEST CONTROL IT'S NOT MY FAULT CALM DOWN'

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### **SEAGULL**

#### **Location: Drury Lane**

Right get on this, so funny right. So, I was walking through town the other day and it was literally scorching. I'm talking full on sweating, glorious but like not really me weather because you know I burn loads and that. But, anyway I was thinking to myself, you know, gonna treat myself today, a nice little bit of shopping, a coffee, a little sit in the sun maybe even a bit of lunch you know date day for one, haven't done anything like that for a while. So, I go off do my shopping I'm having a ball, even got a cheeky second coffee. But like I'd just overly noticed the birds? Like they were just

proper loud, and I know that they've always been loud I used to have them keeping me awake when I lived in town squawking at like 3 in the morning as though I didn't have work in the morning. But anyway, what I was saying is that they were all just proper loud haha and it was making me nervous! Like do the birds all go mad if the end of the world is happening or have I just imagined that? So, I'm on edge already cos they're just like going mad and one does a little poo right in front of me and I'm like ar ay you know, good job I'm only strolling round or that would've hit me if I was walking any quicker. Stop sweating then anyway cos I'm like maybe that's why I was nervous, maybe I was worried about that happening. So I sit down and I'm dead hungry and it's a nice day so I'm obviously gonna eat outside. Bought myself a proper lovely butty and honest to god a seagull literally swoops down and I'm not even messing it nearly had my eye out with its big massive talons of toes. Started screaming didn't I, honest to god hahhaa I was petrified its massive wings swooping but for some reason I didn't even clock that it was my butty that it wanted, so I thought it was just attacking me. My squawk must've been worse than the seagulls own cos it flew off after I stood up and did a little run but honestly never had a run in with a bird like that in my life. Hahahah honest to god it was shocking, made a show.

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**TRA, TRA**

## Location: The Strand

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I've missed you! Feels like you've been gone for ages.

It's been a bit weird round here, like everything's a bit mad. Yeah I know, it's crazy. Anyway, how are you?! I know, everyone's so sick of hearing that, but it's still polite to ask, isn't it. Eeeee what's the jangle then?! I've got loads to fill you in on.

Yeah, okay, I won't keep you too long just thought I'd check in anyway. Yeah, yeah, oh it's good to hear you've been busy too. Yeah I know, it's like everything is at this weird pace which is like slower but also like, times all shifted and I feel like no one ever stops, like we're all finding ways to fill time we've never even had before.

Honestly, I proper can't wait to go out for food again. Not even anything fancy just like a toastie will do me. Okay okay, okay yeah yeah, you've got me I do feel like a full on meal omg I'm starved even just thinking about it, where do you fancy going? I feel like we should try somewhere new, but then again like it does almost feel like tradition just sticking to the regular places doesn't it? I know I know, yeah yeah. Hahah. I know, everyone I've spoken to is the same.

Anyway! I'll stop moaning now I think I'm just hangry. Yeah, I miss you too. So close but so far. Remember how boss it was when we just sat on the docks for hours catching up and golden hour was quite literally like golden and everyone was just so happy around us, there's something about being near the water that just makes it have a different like feel. The air smells different don't ya reckon? I dunno like, it's just fresh isn't it. Don't you agree?! Arr ay I don't know how you haven't clocked that. I always think if it smells like water it smells like home. Eeeee stop laughing!

Anyway, I'll let you get on with your day I don't wanna be keeping you. Yeah, I know, I miss you loads too. Can't wait to cause murder with you again hhahaha, no I know we'll sort it deffo.

Yeah yeah hahahha, alright see ya later, see ya, tra tra tra tra tra tra

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Yeeeah ye hahahahe x aalright see ya later, cya, tra tra tra tra tra tra tra tra x

## **ECHO MEN**

### **Location: Martin's Bank**

You're gonna have to like widen your mouth a bit, like quite literally no long faces. Wide, haha say cheese. Someone once told me that we have our like big loud accent because the dockers had to shout loudly with big wide mouths to project their voice, like it's no coincidence we're all fog horns hahah, so think of that. Imagine if the echo men couldn't project their voice, I'm gonna try and do it... ECHO! Sorry hahaha. I still jump out me skin now. Like a smiling 'o' maybe? (smiling 'o' sound) Yeah I think that's it. Like, imagine me saying like, sound, big wide mouth on me. Like the word word, hahaha if you said it with a long face it would be like (word) but cos we have our nice smiling wide mouth its like 'werd' hahaha. Belter. Maybe that's why people always ask me for directions, because I look like I'm smiling when really I just can't shut me gob.

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## HOW ARE WE THEN?

**Location: Cotton Exchange**

Cos he went:

How are we then?

So I said:

Yeah, I'm sound me. Things are good good good. Sometimes they're bad like but that's just a part of life and that isn't it. Mostly good though, I'd say. Roller coaster of life isn't it. It's like that thing where people always say bad things happen in three's but sometimes, they happen in like a 4 5 6 7 8 9 or 10 thing trail. I seem to do 9 negative 'ooer's and then by the tenth it's like an 'ooer' with that little laugh at the end cos it's just funny at this point really hahah. But then, life looks down like ar ay that's a bit arlass and it changes its mind about throwing all the heavy stuff at you for a bit and then it starts letting some good things happen and life gets boss for a little bit. You do that whole 'it can't get any worse' thing and then it gets better and you're like well, I'm not complaining, yeah! Hahaha. Always something to look forward to at some point like even if its ages away. Saying this like I don't get pure stressed, and I fully do I'm such a stress head, but like I think that's cos like things are good I'm forgetting why anything could even be bad for a bit. Which is good I think like, anyways.

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## **YELLOW SUB BLOOD**

**Location: St Paul's Square**

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Or like there's something in the air around the maternity ward, cos I know exactly what you mean.

Maybe Lennon like came to me in my sleep and whispered in my ear, breathing the words into my brain haha.

Haha no stop it!

Nah stop it I'm screaming me.

Are you having a laugh?!

Boss this.

Pack it in!

No but I know what you mean.

The yellow sub coursing through my veins.

Like how?

I know swear by the age of aba 10 I knew every lyric but like I've never actively listened like, no memory.

No same!

Yeah, I'm onto it me.

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