

Extract from:

Danny's Girl

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SCENE 3 _____ **NIGHT/ EXTERNAL /DANNY DRUNK.**

SFX _____ **CAN'T GET THE GATE OPEN WHEN HE DOES HE**
BUMPS INTO THE BIN

Danny Bollix!

SFX _____ **FOOTSTEPS**

Danny Right...**SPEAKS VERY DELIBERATELY** Light on in
bedroom.... **THROWS SMALL STONES AT THE**
WINDOW... Psssst! Psssst THEN HE COUGHS IN
PREPARATION TO SING.

SINGS **Maria Maria Maria Maria (AS IN W'SIDE STORY)**
STILL SINGING .. need to speak to my girl called Maria
.....Pssst.

SFX _____ **MORE STONES/ WINDOW OPENS.**

Maria Danny get outta here

Danny Want t' talk t' ye..

Maria It's nearly one O clock

Danny So?

Maria If m' da sees ye it'll be blood on the pavement.

Danny Not afraid of your Da

Maria Well I am..please Danny.

Danny Want t' see ye..want t'talk to ye...come out here.

Maria No Danny...

Danny Then I'm gonna phone yer Dad and tell him what I think of
him.

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SFX

OF MOBILE PHONE BEING DIALLED

Maria

Danny please.....

Danny

It's ringin'...

SFX

WE HEAR A PHONE RINGING INSIDE THE HOUSE.

Maria

Ok oK...go down the lane..I'll meet ye at the canal wall in 5 minutes.

SCENE 4

**EXTERNAL /NIGHTTIME /TRAFFIC IN THE
DISTANCE**

DANNY

How are ye?

Maria

Ok

Danny

ye look terrible.

Maria

Thanks. Gimme a cigarette.

Danny

No.

Maria

What!

Danny

it's not?

SHE INTERRUPTS

Maria

Just give me a fag Danny, not a bleedin lecture

SFX

OF CIGARETTE BEING LIT. MARIA TAKING A

LONG DRAG.

Maria

Bloody hell...I needed that.

Danny

Is it still kickin'

Maria

Yea

Danny

Can I feel?

Maria

No.

Danny

Please Maria

Maria

ANNOYED Get your hands off me!

Danny

Sorry.

PAUSE

Danny

Did ye ask them what it was?

Maria

No...

Danny

ye not want t' know?

Maria

Don't care....

Danny

Don't believe ye.

Maria

Might have t' go in early.

Danny

t' hospital? why? What does that mean?

Maria

t' rest 'til it's born....as if this isn't bad enough..

Danny why?
Maria Blood pressure 's all over the place...
Danny That's bad?
Maria What d' you think?
Danny I'll come and see ye.
Maria Thanks, but no thanks.
Danny I still care about ye Maria.
Maria Eff off Danny, you and me were well finished...this should never have happened.
Danny I want t' be with ye...when it's born
Maic What do ye think this is/? some sort of bloody peep show?
Danny No
Maria Just stay out of it....
Danny But
Frank (MARIA 'S FATHER) CALLS SHARPLY Maria!
Maria Shit ...it's m' Da
Danny I'll talk to him
Maria No ...
Frank Maria you down there!
Danny I want t'
Maria **INTERRUPTING**No he'll do fer ye an' then make my life a miserygo home Danno..
Danny No **STUBBORNLY**
SFX **FOOTSTEPS**
Frank (**IS SCOTTISH**) Wha you doin' out here? Tha better not be that wee waster Kilroy
Maria Jesus Danny he's comin'...will ye just get outta here.
Danny Promise you'll text ye if there's any thing...if....
Maria What ever, what ever!
Danny Promise me.
Maria I promise....nowgo

SFX

FOOTSTEPS APPROACHING

Frank

Where do ye think you're goin'?

Danny

Mr Mc Gregor I...

AT THIS POINT IN THE PLAY DANNY IS SCARED OF MARIA'S FATHER WHO IS PHYSICALLY STRONGER AND HAS ALL THE APPEARANCES OF A MAN WHO IS USED TO GETTING HIS OWN WAY . AS THE PLAY PROGRESSES DANNY FINDS HIS OWN STRENGTH.

Maria

We were just talkin' Da

Frank

GRABS DANNY BY THE SCRUFF OF THE NECK I
warned ye t' stay away from 'er....

Maria

Dad

Frank

yer no good. Kilroy ..

Maria

Da please.

Frankl

Go home Maria.

Danny

Don' t speak t' her like that!

Frank

What'd you say?

SFX

AS HE YANKS DANNY CLOSER

Danny

Take yer hands off me

Maria

Dad please you'll choke him

Frank

Do what I tell ye Maria

Danny

Go on Maria I'm ok

Maria

ALMOST IN TEARS. Don't hurt him Da... it was just talk.

Frank

Well its him and me talkin now. You! Get! Go on.

SFX

FOOT STEPS AS MARIA LEAVES

Frank

TO DANNY Not talkin so much now....

Danny

That hurts.

Frank

Aye and there's more comin' yer way...I knew you'd be back...counted on it...it's a barrin' order I'll get now

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...and if ye breach that! ...you;ll really be in shit and that's
just where you belong. So come within breathin' distance
of my daughter again and I'll have you behind bars.