



A PERSISTENT OFFENDER

"Whilst on my patrol route in the High Street, I conducted a routine store visit to a BID levy payer. During this visit the manager informed me of a large theft of approximately £400 had been committed by a regular offender.

I reviewed the store CCTV system for the time of the offence stated and witnessed a male entering the store, the male was identified to me by the store manager as the offender mentioned previously. I watched the entire incident on CCTV playback to confirm that an offence had occurred.

I recognised the male on the CCTV as a persistent offender whose image, personal details and previous offences are recorded on our dedicated crime reporting system were known to me.

The next day, whilst conducting my morning patrol of the town centre I spotted the previously mentioned offender loitering near some stores.

I did not have the CCTV evidence of the previous days offence, so I decided not to effect an arrest individual at this time but to simply observe. I then witnessed this person enter another retailer where he selected and concealed a drink, leaving the store failing to offer payment, therefore committing an offence.

I then intercepted and effected an arrest for the offence of theft contrary to section 1 of the Theft Act 1968. I brought the individual to the store, whilst using the town centre radio network to contact the manager where the earlier £400 theft had taken place. I requested that the manager bring the CCTV to my location and to inform the Police of the previous offence.

The manager arrived with the CCTV of offence from his business; custody of the individual was then handed over to the Police along with the evidence of the offence committed.

Due to being unlawfully at large and 'wanted' for several outstanding offences, by the Police, the individual was remanded in custody until he could attend court.

I was updated by the Police a week and a half later, I was informed that the individual had been found guilty at court for several outstanding offences that resulted in an 8 week prison sentence, he was also found guilty of the £400 theft offence which resulted in a further 4 weeks prison sentence and ordered to pay £200 compensation"

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