

**IN THE FAMILY COURT AT NOTTINGHAM**

Case No: N00NG860

60 Canal Street, Nottingham NG1 7EJ

Date: 7 August 2026

**Before :**

**DISTRICT JUDGE CLOW**

**Between :**

**Nottingham City Council**

**Claimant**

**- and -  
Lee Frazer**

**Defendant**

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**Charles Lee, solicitor** (instructed by **Nottingham City Council Legal Services**) for the  
**Claimant**

**Robert Keeble, solicitor** (instructed by **The Johnson Partnership**) for the **Defendant**

Hearing date: 7 August 2026  
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**Approved Judgment**

This judgment was handed down at 12:15pm on 7 August 2026 and shall be released to the  
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**DISTRICT JUDGE CLOW:**

**SENTENCING REMARKS**

1. This is the judgment of the court following a hearing which took place at the Justice Centre in Nottingham on 7 August 2026.
2. I am today sentencing you for breach of an interim Anti-Social Behaviour Injunction. That order was made on 29 July 2026 at a hearing without notice to you.
3. The facts which are alleged by NCC to support their application arise from your attendance at a retirement complex of elderly and vulnerable residents. Your father lives there and it is alleged that over a long period of time you have financially abused

your father, withdrawing hundreds, if not thousands, of pounds from his account without authority and bullying him into giving you other, smaller sums on a regular basis. It is said that this can lead to shouting, banging and threats from you which frighten the neighbours and cause them to lose sleep. These are, as yet, untested allegations and you have not yet had an opportunity to respond to them. They may or may not be true.

4. You object to the order but have not yet had an opportunity to ask the court to set it aside. You will have that opportunity on 28 August 2026 at 10:00am in this court.
5. The interim ASBI was served on you at 17:43 on 2 August 2026 at Clifton Police Station. I note that you indicated your awareness of its terms to officers who attended on 6 August 2026. That is shown within the statement produced by the officers and on the body-worn video. It may be that the seriousness of the order was misunderstood by you and I note from your solicitor that you have a diagnosis of paranoid schizophrenia which carries symptoms of paranoia and can hamper your understanding.
6. The breach which has led to this hearing took place yesterday, on 6 August 2026.
7. The evidence before me states that you attended your father, William Frazer's property – in Clifton, and were knocking on the window, knocking on the door and asking for money. The carer called the police. Your father, William Frazer, is described by the police as being visibly distressed when they attended. They describe him as saying that he does not want to give you money, but he has to as otherwise you will not go away.
8. You say that you did ask for hair clippers that belong to you, but deny asking for money. You deny banging on the door. Nothing much turns on that.
9. Regardless of what you asked for, such behaviour would be a breach of paragraphs 1a and 1d of the ASBI. These prevent you from contacting your father and from being at his property. Banging on the window is a breach of paragraph 1c as this is intimidating behaviour.
10. You were arrested at 12:43pm and kept overnight until I have dealt with you this morning.
11. You have been advised by the duty solicitor, who represents you, and have pleaded guilty today.
12. I deal with you in light of the objectives of sentencing:-
  - i. Punishment;
  - ii. Securing future compliance; and
  - iii. Rehabilitation
13. Given the relationship between you and the alleged victim, coupled with his vulnerability, my priority today is to secure future compliance.

14. I have considered deferring sentence, but cannot see what can be gained by that. I am not aware of any programme or intervention planned for you in the coming months. You need to understand the importance of complying with this order.
15. I am guided by the sentencing guidelines.

### CULPABILITY

16. The breach was flagrant. You knew of the order and you did exactly the sort of thing that led to the injunction in the first place. Your father is a vulnerable man, retired, and with significant disabilities. You went around to your father's property to carry out just the sort of behaviour that is alleged to have led to the application for an injunction in the first place.
17. There was no violence, there were no explicit threats, and you were not successful in coercing money out of your father, even though that seems to have been your intention. It falls in category B as a deliberate breach which is not minor, therefore.

### HARM

18. Your father is reported to have been visibly distressed. Your offending impacted on a carer who was there to help your father due to his disabilities, not to defend him against your unlawful behaviour. Your father is vulnerable, having physical disabilities and being 69 years of age. The motivation of the council is to protect what they say is a concerted and serious campaign of abuse of your family position in extracting regular sums of money against your father's will.
19. Your offending falls in Category 1, therefore.

### CALCULATION

20. The starting point 3 months with the range being from adjourned sentencing to six months imprisonment.

### AGGRAVATING FACTORS

21. I have not been made aware of any aggravating previous convictions.
22. The breach took place very shortly after the order was imposed.
23. The protected subject is particularly vulnerable – he is your father and finds it hard to assert himself against you and considers it morally wrong to report you to the police. The other aspects of his vulnerability have already been taken into account above.

### MITIGATING FACTORS

24. You made a prompt admission of your breach to the attending officers. I note that you have significant and enduring mental ill health.

## ANALYSIS

25. Although you clearly understood the terms of the injunction and the potential consequences for breach were set out clearly on the order, I think you may have been naïve in not thinking that you would immediately experience the full force of the law in being arrested and kept in the cells.
26. Mr Frazer, the fact that you did exactly what the injunction was designed to prevent is of concern. You have today indicated that you now understand the seriousness of the injunction and you have given me assurances you will not breach it in future.
27. The balance of the aggravating and mitigating factors somewhat balance out. I therefore consider a sentence of three months imprisonment is appropriate.
28. I now take off one third of what I would otherwise have imposed due to the guilty plea. That leaves us at a sentence of two months in prison.
29. Your solicitor, Mr Keeble, has argued hard on your behalf for a suspended sentence.
30. This is the first breach of the order. I want it to be the last. I am going to give you a chance to show the court that you are good for your word and will not contact your father, go to Gabor Court, or do anything else prohibited by the order.
31. I am therefore going to suspend your sentence of imprisonment for twelve months. This means that if you breach the order again within the coming twelve months then you will serve the two months that I have today imposed plus whatever sentence you receive for the subsequent breach.
32. Let me make that clear to you. If you contact your father or go to his flat then you will first have to serve the suspended sentence of imprisonment that I have just given you, but you will have an additional sentence imposed by the judge on that occasion. You are likely to receive a longer sentence if you do the same thing again.
33. You have a strong need for money and you know that your father has some. What you must understand is that if you go and get money from him, you can expect to then have to spend a period of time in prison. Every time you feel a need to go round to get money from your father, remember that this will mean you will end up in custody.
34. I therefore impose the following sentence:

Two months imprisonment suspended on condition that you, Lee Frazer, obey the terms of the interim injunction granted on 29 July 2026 including any variations of that injunction made by the Court, and the terms of any final injunction that may be granted at trial, including any variations of that injunction made by the Court. The sentence is suspended until 7 August 2027 or until further order of the court, whichever is the earlier.
35. Remain in court as you will be given a document with the sentence I have imposed.